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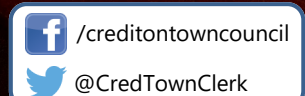
Everything
you need to know
about this year's
**CHRISTMAS LIGHTS
SWITCH-ON!**

ALSO INSIDE THIS EDITION:

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BATTLE'S OVER TRIBUTE**
- ★ **FREE XMAS PARKING DATES**
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**AN UPDATE FROM
YOUR MAYOR
CLLR FRANK LETCH**

**FIND OUT THIS YEAR'S
WINNERS OF THE FLORAL
CREDITON COMPETITION &
ALLOTMENT COMPETITION!**



A message from the Mayor, Councillor Frank Letch

The Town Council owns 5 plots of land comprising 3 allotment sites, Peoples Park and Stonypark. Through the summer we have been busy improving the Wildlife Area in Peoples Park, inspecting Stonypark so it could be rented and managing the 3 allotment sites with the help of the Boniface Allotments Association.



Although not financially responsible for the many footpaths around the Town, the Council is part of the Devon County Council Parish Paths Scheme and so several councillors have walked some paths in order to maintain suitable access.



One of the highlights of the year has been accompanying Bert Jewell as he judges the Floral Cridton Competition entries and I judge the Mayor's Favourite garden. Entries this year were good but the hot, dry weather had a significant effect on lawns and some plants!

Disputes with Mid Devon District Council

The Town Council seems to be in a constant dispute with Mid Devon District Council (MDDC). I have no need to write of their sale of the Council Office but you may not know of the two other issues. Trim trails are a popular way of helping people exercise outdoors and the Town Council has been pushing MDDC to install one in Newcombes Meadow. Town Council staff have researched equipment but MDDC appear reluctant to pursue this as a project despite pursuing a similar project in, yes you've guessed it, Tiverton. The other dispute is on behalf of students at Landscore School, who would like to have drinking fountains installed in the Town. The Town Council supports this initiative and has approached MDDC regarding a drinking fountain near Newcombes Meadow play area. Alas, we have been confronted by the usual wall of negativity. Watch this space!



Another year of flourishing prize winners...

This year, the colourful floral displays within the Town were celebrated at the Floral Cridton Awards Ceremony on Tuesday, 25th September 2018. Thank you to all those who entered and congratulations to all our prize winners!

This year's Britain in Bloom results will be announced on 9th October 2018, so look out for updates on our social media pages.

Category

1. Small Formal Garden
2. Large Formal Garden
3. Small Managed Natural Garden
4. Large Managed Natural Garden
5. Patio or Hanging Baskets
6. Cultivation of Alpine & Unusual plants

First Prize

- Mr & Mrs Hull
Hillbrow Care Home
Marion Weeks
Anna Whelan
Mr M E Fry
Mrs Ann Cann



The Floral Cridton Competition also includes the commercial premises category, in which every single business in Cridton is judged by Bert Jewell and his wife Margaret.

Category

1. Large Commercial Premises
2. Small Commercial Premises

First Prize

- Cridton Inn
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We also arrange the judging of the three Town Council managed allotment sites in Cridton, which involves judging more than 120 individual allotment plots!

Category

1. Exhibition Road
2. Barnfield
3. Moffats Land

First prize

- Mr D Prosser
Mrs A Smith
Mr W Stevens



CHRISTMAS IN CREDITON 2018

Winter WONDERLAND

Just like Santa's elves, the team has been working hard since January planning this year's Christmas in Crediton!

The theme is WINTER WONDERLAND and everyone - yes, that means you! - is being encouraged to embrace the theme and dress up. You could be a snowman, penguin, igloo, ice Queen or King and anything in between. Once again, the possibilities are endless!

The event around the Town Square runs from 3.00 pm to 6.30 pm with singing, dancing and live music. The Big Lights Switch-On in the Town Square will be at 5.00 pm. Due to popular demand, the Exmouth Land Train will be returning to offer rides during the afternoon.

What's more, for those aged 11 and under, the annual fancy dress competition will be held in the Old Town Hall. Judging starts at 4.00 pm so all snowmen, penguins, ice Queens and igloos, etc. should arrive in plenty of time to register.

This year we are launching a new augmented reality Christmas Elf Hunt, brought to you courtesy of Yellow Mouse Studios. So make sure you've downloaded your Zappar app. The first prize is £350 of Crediton High Street vouchers, with second and third prizes up for grabs as well!



All invited to Crediton Diversity Festival

Crediton Diversity Festival, a celebration of the Crediton area's diversity, will take place at the Boniface Centre, Church Lane, on Saturday, 10th November, from 10.00 am to 2.00 pm - and everyone is invited to attend.

There will be information and advice stalls, music, talks, face painting, games and children's entertainment. Refreshments will be available. The Festival will include groups from across the wide and diverse community.

Admission is free-of-charge and the event will be family-friendly.

The Festival is being supported by Crediton Town Council and a Devon Crimebeat grant through Devon and Cornwall Police working in partnership with Devon Community Foundation and the High Sheriff of Devon with funding from the Proceeds of Crime Act.

Written & organised by Alan Quick

Neighbourhood Plan Exhibition 18th - 20th October Council Offices, Market Street

After several town-wide consultations, the Steering Group has been working on objectives and policies for the Neighbourhood Plan.

I don't like...

The plan covers New Development, Community Facilities, the Town Centre, Transport, Sustainability, Heritage, Employment and the Environment.

Please come and find out what the objectives are for each of these aspects of Crediton and give us your comments. Your views are part of the process - you are important!

I think...

I like...

What about...?

Council Office move

As you are probably aware, the Council Offices have been sold and therefore the Town Council will be relocating. Although the new office location has not been confirmed, this does mean that, once we move, Town Council meetings will no longer be held in the Council Chamber.

Please keep up to date on our website, social media and noticeboard on Searle Street to find out where upcoming meetings will be held.

100 years of Remembrance

On Sunday, 11th November 2018, Crediton Town Council will be holding a special tribute to mark the day 100 years ago when the guns fell silent at the end of the First World War.

This year, the Remembrance Sunday Church Service, held at Crediton Parish Church, will be taking place at 9.30 am. The service has been moved to this time in order that the 2-minute silence held at the War Memorial can be timed to start at 11.00 am.

Later that day, a Battle's Over Tribute event will be held at Beacon Park, Crediton, at 6.30 pm and everyone is welcome to attend. The Mayor of Crediton, Cllr Frank Letch, will open the event at 6.40 pm. Crediton's list of fallen will be read, the last post played, and finally, along with more than 1000 beacons throughout the UK, a beacon will be lit at 7.00 pm in remembrance of the end of the war and the millions who lost their lives or came home wounded.

The event is being organised by Crediton Town Council but we would like to thank the Royal British Legion, Army Cadets, Air Cadets, Scouts, Cubs & Beavers and the local Fire Service for helping with the arrangements.



Dates for your diary

October

- 6th & 20th** **Farmers Market** Crediton Town Square
18th - 20th **Neighbourhood Plan Consultation** Council Chamber

November

- 3rd & 17th** **Farmers Market** Crediton Town Square
11th **Remembrance Sunday Parade** 9.30 am at Crediton Parish Church
Battle's Overs Tribute 6.30 pm at Beacon Park
20th **Crediton Town Council** meeting 7.00 pm Council Chamber, Market Street
24th **Christmas in Crediton Parade & Lights Switch-On** Crediton Town Square

December

- 1st & 15th** **Farmers Market** Crediton Town Square
23rd **Christmas Farmers Market** Crediton Town Square

FREE PARKING - ST SAVIOURS WAY CAR PARK

- Saturday, 8th December 2018
 Saturday, 15th December 2018
 Saturday, 22nd December 2018



How prepared are you? Use our Home Emergency Plan to assess your household resilience and preparedness in the event of an emergency. Pick up a copy from the Council Offices or download a copy from our website www.crediton.gov.uk.

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