



ROYSTON TOWN CRIER

News from your Town Council - July 2022

Message from the incoming Mayor



It is a great honour and a privilege for me to be elected as Mayor of the great town of Royston. I feel very positive and hopeful as I look forward to my term in office.

Now that elections are over, our councillors will rise above political and ideological boundaries. We will join our hands together to work for a better Royston. I am confident that together we will make a difference.

Having been an educator for 28 years, I want to ensure that our children get support for a better education. Our elderly people are especially close to my heart and I want to work hard for enhanced healthcare and transport facilities. Transportation accessible to all will be a priority during my term.

A change of Mayor does not end the work being carried out by the previous administration. I will spend time looking at what was planned that would be beneficial to the people of Royston and we will work together to implement those plans, especially those that support our local businesses.

In the days to come I will make an effort to meet with all of you. I will keep you posted on all of the developments at the Town Council so that "together we can make a difference". I will be available and accessible to all and with the help of the team at Royston Town Council, we will work hard to address any of the concerns from our community.

My Mayoral Charities this year will be Make Lunch Club and The Mayor's Community Trust Fund.

I look forward to serving the Community of Royston as Mayor.

Mary Antony
Mayor of Royston, 2022-2023

All Change At The Town Council

Following the local elections on 5th May there are many new Councillors now looking after Royston. Things are looking good for Royston with new Councillors from the whole spectrum of political affiliation. However, the new Councillors will be putting their political allegiances to one side in order to unite for the good of Royston and all those who live or work in our wonderful town. Royston is firmly in the hearts of all of your Town Councillors and we have your interests at the top of our priorities. Details of all the Councillors are on the next page, also showing which area they cover.

Annual Town Meeting

The Annual Town Meeting was held in March and five members of our Royston community were honoured by the then Town Mayor, Cllr Mark Hughes (*below, right*), for their outstanding services to Royston over many years. The awards were presented to:



Sharon Redrup (*far left*) – in recognition of her commitment to her

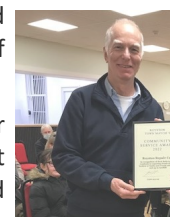
role as the Manager of Royston Old Barn Day Centre for the benefit of the clients and local groups that have access to this invaluable service.

Victoria Green (*right*) – In recognition of her voluntary work at Royston Rugby Club for the benefit of the players and their families.



The late **Councillor F John Smith** – In recognition of his extraordinary public service to the town of Royston for more than half a century. The award was presented to his brother Cllr Phil Smith (*left*).

Amy Murphy – In recognition of her services in organising the Remembrance Sunday Parades and Remembrance Day ceremonies on behalf of Royston Town Council.



Royston Repair Café – In recognition of their help to local residents in repairing items that are broken or faulty and would otherwise end up in landfill (*pictured: Chris Lee*).

Community Trust Fund Grants were awarded to Home Start Royston & South Cambs, Royston Arts Society, King James Academy Royston, Royston Speak Out Club, Therfield Regulation Trust and Royston Photographic Society.

The Mayor and the chairperson from each of the council committees gave reports on their work over the past year.

Sgt Jon Vine gave an update on police activities in Royston and spoke of his continued desire to communicate with young people.

David Smyth gave a report on behalf of the Royston First Bid Company, which delivers local initiatives to benefit Royston and its businesses. Their website is <https://roystonfirst.com>.

County Councillors **Fiona Hill**, **Steve Jarvis** and District Councillor **Tony Hunter** also gave reports on their work over the past year and of their plans for the future.

The minutes of this meeting can be found on the town council website <https://www.roystontowncouncil.gov.uk>.

May Fayre

It was great to be back after two years off. The sun shone and Royston Town Band played.



Entertainment was provided by the Novelty Dog Show, local dance groups, Punch and Judy and Professor Crump, amongst others. Residents pitted themselves against each other to be “Last Man (or Woman) Standing”. Ice cream, sausages and hog roast were eaten and beverages consumed.

The next May Fayre is planned for 1st May 2023.

We would like to thank all volunteers, businesses, charities and staff members who made the Fayre possible this year.



ROYSTON TOWN COUNCILLORS

A list of all Councillors' names and contact numbers is given below, together with details of the wards they represent. All Town Councillors serve in a voluntary capacity and are elected for a 4 year term of office. Councillors are not paid and do not receive any allowance for attending meetings.

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