



# ROYSTON TOWN CRIER

Keeping Royston residents in touch with their local council

## ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Thursday 22 March 2018 at 7.30 pm  
Royston Town Hall

Come along to hear reports from your local councillors on their work over the past year and also for them to answer any questions you might wish to ask.

The Royston Town Mayor, Cllr Vera Swallow, will also be presenting the Annual Community Trust Fund Awards to local groups and charities, and Community Awards to those local residents who have made a significant contribution to the life of our town.

## Naturally Royston

### Children's 2018 Photographic Competition 'The Treasures of Royston'

We are launching our second children's photographic competition and this time we are asking children to photograph the answers to the clues we have provided on our Town Council web site, which will also give you all the information and rules for entries.

Any children below the age of 16 years who either live, or attend school in Royston, are eligible to take part. The 12 winning entries will go into our 2019 Town Calendar. There will also be a first prize for the overall winner of 4 free cinema tickets to the Royston Picture Palace. The closing date for the competition is 1 August 2018. Please visit our web site: [www.roystontowncouncil.gov.uk](http://www.roystontowncouncil.gov.uk)



## ANNUAL ROYSTON MAY FAYRE

Monday 7 May 2018

12 Noon – 5 pm in the Priory Memorial  
Gardens

Once again Royston Town Council will be pulling out all the stops for another exciting and fun filled May Fayre. Do come along and enjoy some of the many attractions we hope to have for you, such as the novelty dog show; children's fairground rides; the free bungee trampoline; bouncy castles; charity stalls; dance shows; the Royston Town Band; our new nature, eco and animal corner and so much more. We look forward to seeing you there on 7<sup>th</sup> May.



Michelle Thake, Partner at The Coach and Horses and Jack Schmit, Manager of The Jolly Postie with the Town Mayor, Cllr Vera Swallow



## Community Toilets Scheme

We have now arranged for Community Toilets to be made available from **Sunday 1 April 2018**

at

**The Jolly Postie, 2 Baldock Street**

Opening hours:

Monday to Saturday 10 am – 11 pm

Sunday 10 am - 10.30 pm

and

**The Coach and Horses, 14 Kneesworth Street**

Opening hours:

Sunday to Tuesday 12 pm – 9 pm

Wednesday and Thursday 12 pm – 10 pm

Friday and Saturday 12 pm - 12 am

Please look out for the Stickers in their windows and use their toilets as necessary. We are extremely grateful to the management of both of these public houses for agreeing to become part of this scheme and we will be helping them to cover any extra maintenance costs they might incur as a result of their community generosity. If any other establishments would like to participate in this scheme, please contact Royston Town Council.

## Nominate a neighbour, friend, or family member for our Front Garden Competition in May and June

This year we are asking you to nominate a neighbour, friend or family member, living in Royston, if you think their front garden is worthy of being entered into our front garden competition. Download a nomination form from the Town Council website or call into our office to collect one and post it through their front door before the end of June. If you are the recipient and get a nomination through your door telling you that they love your front garden, please contact the Town Hall to be entered into the Competition. Judging will take place from the beginning of July and the top three winners will receive £100, £50 and £25 respectively, with an award certificate.



## Don't forget to vote!

Local elections will be taking place on Thursday 3 May for both Town and District Councils.

We are always looking for new Town Councillors to join us in the interesting and rewarding work we do for our town, so why not think about standing yourself if you would like to make a difference to your local community.

You must either reside or work in Royston to be eligible. Your services will be entirely voluntary but we can guarantee you a very worthwhile and fulfilling role if you really care about what happens in your town.

Contact the Town Clerk or your local political parties for further information and details.

## Another sad farewell

Royston Town Council suffered another sad loss of one of its standing councillors in December, when Cllr Rita Turner passed away very suddenly and unexpectedly. We will all miss Rita very much, not only for her long standing commitment to her role as a councillor but also for her

outstanding good humour and sense of fun. Our thoughts and best wishes go out to all her family and the many hundreds of friends she had, in and around Royston, where she had lived for over 40 years.



## Would you like to carry out a local litter pick?



To encourage any local groups who would like to carry out a litter pick anywhere around the town, we have recently purchased more litter pickers (we now hold 20) and plastic rubbish sacks which can be made available for your use. Please contact the staff at the Town Hall office if you would like to borrow any of this equipment and we can give you advice and information.

### 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.

**Town Mayor: Cllr Vera Swallow**

**Deputy Mayor: Cllr Iain Leggett**

#### Palace Ward:

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|----------------|--------------|-------------------------------|
| Sarah Dingley  | 01763 233267 | sarahdingley22@gmail.com      |
| Mark Hughes    | 07860 108085 | mark@ifa.bz                   |
| Rob Inwood     | 01763 224997 | robertinwood@virginmedia.com  |
| Ben Lewis      |              | info@benworkingforroyston.org |
| Laura Whitford | 01763 407980 | laurajanewhitford@yahoo.com   |

#### Meridian Ward:

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|---------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| Mike Harrison | 01763 220055 | michael.e.harrison@gmail.com |
| Iain Leggett  | 01763 230978 | iainlleggett@icloud.com      |
| F John Smith  | 01763 243082 | fsmithroyston@btinternet.com |
| Vera Swallow  | 01763 222538 | veraswallow@hotmail.com      |
| Vacant Seat   |              |                              |

#### Heath Ward:

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|---------------------|--------------|----------------------------------|
| Lindsay Davidson    | 01763 221431 | lindsay@davidsen.mp              |
| John Davison        | 07802 907700 | Cllr.john.davison@btinternet.com |
| Victoria Hulström   | 01763 247497 | cllrhustromallen@googlemail.com  |
| Rod Kennedy         | 01763 245681 | rod4heath@gmail.com              |
| Marguerite Phillips | 07903 715533 | cllrmpillips@btinternet.com      |

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