

Framlingham November 2017

Town Council News



COUNCILLOR UPDATES: We are pleased to welcome our two new members of the Council; Cllr John (Jo) Simpson and Cllr David Beal who were co-opted during the Full Council meeting held on the 5th October. You can find out more about your new councillors on www.framlingham.com.



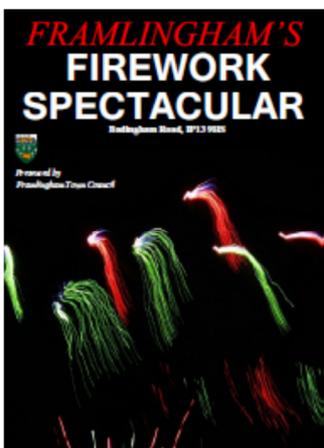
Cllr John (Jo) Simpson



Cllr David Beal

Regretfully it was at the close of this Full Council meeting that Chairman of the Council; James Tanner announced his resignation. This news was met with great sadness and we would like to thank and commend James for all his hard work and support over the last few years.

FRAMLINGHAM FIREWORK SPECTACULAR 4TH NOV:



Don't forget our fantastic family event this Saturday. Advance tickets are only available from the Old Court House in Bridge St until close of business on the 3rd November, so there is still time to grab the discounted tickets before the day.

Gates Open - 6pm
Bonfire Lighting – 6.30pm
Firework Display – 7.30pm

PROPOSED COMMUNITY CENTRE: 227 people attended the Public Briefing Meeting for the proposed Community Centre held on 11th October in The Headmaster Porter Theatre. This was a civilised, informative evening presented by Framlingham Town Council, where residents had the opportunity to voice opinions, raise concerns and ask questions regarding the proposed site and plans for the centre. The Power Point Presentation, Briefing Document and Attendee's Comments from the meeting, as well as the Site Plan are all available on our website: www.framlingham.com

REMEMBRANCE 2 MINUTE SILENCE: Everyone is invited to join us on the Market Hill on Saturday 11th November. Church bells will ring muffled up to 11am when they will strike the hour with the 11th bell signifying the start of the 2 minute silence. One bell will signify the end.



REMEMBRANCE PARADE: The annual Remembrance Parade will assemble in New Road at 10.15am on Sunday 12th November. The parade led by the Woodbridge Excelsior Band will march up Bridge Street, through the Market Hill to the Churchyard and will gather around the War Memorial where the service starts. After the service the parade will march back down to the Market Hill where a speech of thanks is given and the parade dismissed. Light refreshments will be served in the Conservative Club by kind invitation of the Framlingham Royal British Legion.



CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION:

Framlingham Library and Town Council are inviting all budding artists to enter our free Christmas Card Competition. Enter one of three entry categories: **Primary, High School** or **Adult** for your chance to win a £25 gift voucher. All entries must be on A5 size card (card available in the Library/Town Council office), be Christmas themed and your own original design. Please make sure you put your name, contact details and category entered on the back of your card before submitting to the Library/TC office in Bridge Street no later than 30th November 2017. Judging will take place on 1st December by Dr Dan Poulter where a winner for each category will be chosen. All entries will be displayed around the Library building.



For further details please contact Lesley Clouting: 01728 723735 or Eileen Coe: 01728 720183

POLICY AND DOCUMENT REVISION: All Framlingham Town Council Policies and documents have been reviewed and were approved at the Full Council meeting held on 5th October. These documents are now available to view on our website.

It was also decided that there will be no increase to the Market rents, Allotment rents or Cemetery charges for the 2018/2019 financial year.

GRANTS: Every six months the Framlingham Town Council has funds set aside for local community organisations wishing to apply for monetary assistance with specific projects and local fundraising events.

All applications submitted by the 30th June were considered and grants were awarded at the Full Council meeting held on the 3rd August to the recipients listed below:

Framlingham Business Association - £250 towards the delivery of Christmas events including seasonal decoration of the town.

Friends of St Michael's Church - £250 towards cost of trees for the annual Christmas Tree Festival.

Friends of Framlingham Library - £500 towards re-decoration, re-carpeting, installation of a new counter and additional seating in the main library area.

Late Night Shopping Event - £100 to cover the cost of insurance and raffle ticket printing for the retailers' event being held on 1st December.

Christmas Lunch Group - £150 towards provision of Christmas Lunch for solitary and/or aged townspeople.

FAYAP Youth and Arts Centre - £208 for the cost of 2 refurbished PC's to help young people after school.

**The next grant application deadline will be
31st January 2018**

A Grant Application Form is available to download from our website and also available to pick up from the Town Council Office anytime during normal opening times.

HELP NEEDED FOR FUTURE EVENTS: The town is at risk of losing our community events! Every year it is becoming increasingly difficult to find willing volunteers to help organise and run our much loved events. Both the Firework Spectacular and the Soap Box Race attract large numbers of locals and even those from much further afield. We are very lucky to be a part of a diverse and thriving town that is still able to host affordable family events for the whole community. BUT, WE NEED HELP!

The Town Council is looking for willing people to help organise the Firework Spectacular and Soap Box Race with planning and organising as well as Stewarding at the events. If you would like to see these events continue in 2018 and can commit a small amount of time and effort then please get in touch by visiting us at the Town Council Office in Bridge Street or by phoning: 01728720183 or email: townclerk@framlingham.com We will be happy to hear from you.

It is now a sad case of Support It or Lose It! When It's Gone, It's Gone!

RIGHTS OF WAY WALK: Our New Year Rights of Way Walk is scheduled to take place on Saturday 13th January 2018. Meet in the Library/TC carpark for a 10am start for a walk lasting approximately 1½ -2hrs that will finish back at the Library building for well-deserved mulled wine and mince pies. Dogs on lead and children welcome, but must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Please wear footwear and clothing suitable for country paths.

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