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Message from the Mayor

First of all a big thank you to all those who supported the wonderful weekend of events commemorating the Coronation of King Charles III. On Saturday 6th May the Town Council used the facilities in the Town Hall, beautifully decorated by our very own East Cowes Town Crafters, to provide a free screening of the ceremony. Sunday 7th May saw a great celebration on Jubilee Recreation Ground with entertainment, fun activities, live music and the screening of the concert from Windsor Castle in the evening. Free fruit was supplied to supplement everyone's picnic!

I would like to thank Shademakers who arrived in their amazing costumes, the children who took part in the competitions and races, everyone who brought their dog along to take part in the dog show, friendly Captain Ted from Red Funnel, my fellow councillors and all who helped make this such a special day. The weather was fantastic too! On Monday 8th our Big Help Out event took place at the Town Hall. Many volunteers and organisations in the town looking for new volunteers attended. This was an opportunity to thank the dedicated local people who give their time to make East Cowes a great place to live. Music was provided by the Jukebox Jazz Duo and Barbershop Chorus Wight Harmony,

there were craft activities for the children, a lovely buffet and a cake to mark the 25th Anniversary of the Town Council. Special thanks go to Councillor Margaret Webster who has served the town for all of those 25 years.

There have been many occasions to mark in the last few months including the MadAid Easter Event at Barton Manor, commemorations of the Blitz and ORP Bylskawica.



The Town Council continues to work in partnership with the Isle of Wight Council on the Levelling up Fund projects in the town. Planning permission has now been granted for the Albany Barracks and Albany Green and work has already begun. You can keep up to date with what is happening by visiting the dedicated website

<https://eastcowesregeneration.co.uk/>

Regular events continue to take place at the town hall. Have you been along to the community cinema or the monthly market yet? See inside for more details.

The Annual Town Meeting also took place recently. Reports were given by Community Spirited, our Community Library, the Youth Service, East Cowes heritage Centre and the IW Society.

At the Full Council meeting in April grant applications were considered. Award were made to the sailing charity Wet Wheels and East Cowes Town Crafter. Support was also given to the Indonesian Independence Day and Angel Radio fund raising event by way of dispensing with hall hire charges for these organisations.

We are now looking forward to the summer months when we can all get out and use the lovely open green spaces and our fabulous Esplanade. There are also tables outside at The East Side Curve if you fancy popping in one day. We are so fortunate to have these facilities in East Cowes.

*Cllr Tracy Reardon
Mayor of East Cowes*

East Cowes Community Library & East Side Curve

Opening Hours:

Monday to Friday: 9:00am –
5:00pm

Saturday: 9:00am – 1:00pm

Registering with the East Cowes Community Library is free and gives access to the entire island's library service catalogue. This means you can use your library card at any library on the island, return books to us from other locations (and vice versa) and even make reservations for books to be picked up at any library location you wish.

Note: Reservations are 60p per book for adults. Childrens' books are free of charge.

WEDNESDAYS 10:15AM

For babies and toddlers



TUESDAYS 4:00PM

For age 7 and under



We now accept food to be dropped off beside reception for the Parkside Pavilion Pantry

IMPORTANT UPDATES

Mayor Tracy Reardon has been re-elected for a second consecutive term alongside the newly appointed Deputy Mayor Cameron Palin. Under the current rules, mayors can serve two consecutive terms.

BEAT SURGERY with the PCSO for East Cowes



THURSDAY 15TH JUNE 10-11AM

and every 3rd Thursday of the month at The East Side Curve
Please feel free to call in – no appointment needed

CORONATION WEEKEND PICTURES



REGULAR EVENTS

Community Market

The monthly market takes place on every second Saturday from 10:00am until 2:00pm. We have regular bookings in addition to new bookings at every new event, so the market is always both familiar and fresh. Contact admin@eastcowestowncouncil.co.uk if you wish to book a stall.



East Cowes Community Market

Saturday 10th June 2023
10:00am – 2:00pm

East Cowes Town Hall, York Avenue
PO32 6RU

An event hosting a wide range of stalls selling a variety of goods and services from local groups in the community

Phone: 01983 299082
Email: admin@eastcowestowncouncil.co.uk

Following Market:
Saturday 8th July 2023
10:00am – 2:00pm



Monthly Coffee Mornings in 2023

Tuesdays @ 10:00am – 12:00pm in the East Side Curve
Pop in for some refreshments such as tea and coffee and a slice of cake and find out more about the hosting charities.

Upcoming Coffee Mornings:

- 11th July: Cowes and East Cowes Lion's club
- 8th August: Friends of the Animals
- 12th September: Ellen Macarthur Cancer Trust

Community Cinema

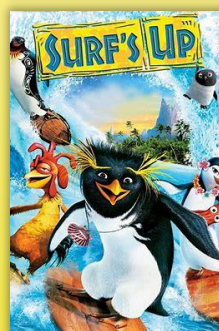
The Community Cinema takes place on the second Saturday of every month after the market.

- Doors open at 6:45pm
- Tickets are £4 per person or £12 per group of 4
- Tickets can be purchased at the East Side Curve or at the door on the evening

Upcoming Showings for 2023:

- 10th June – The Duke (12a)
- 8th July – Quartet (12a)
- 20th August – Surf's Up (PG)*
- 9th September – Radioactive (12a)
- 14th October – The Lost King (12)
- 11th November – A man called Otto (15)

*Matinee – Doors open at 1:45pm



Other Information

Newsletter Pick-up Locations

This newsletter is no longer delivered to households in order to save on the costs of distribution, but it can still be collected from any of the locations listed below:

East Side Curve	York Avenue
East Cowes Town Hall	York Avenue
Parkside Pavilion	Vectis Road
MadAid DOT	Lower York Avenue
East Cowes Heritage Centre	Clarence Road
Classic Boat Museum	Columbine Road
Red Funnel Terminal	Dover Road
Flix Hairdressers	Clarence Road
Coast to Castle	Ferry Road
Halls Newsagents	Ferry Road
St. James' Church	Church Path
Methodist Church	Adelaide Grove
Seashells Pre-School	Grange Road
Queensgate Primary	Beatrice Avenue
Holy Cross RC	Millfield Avenue

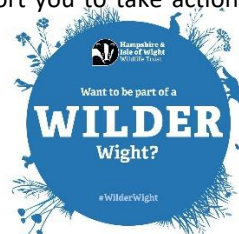
Wilder Wight Communities Project



Wildflower planting © Katrina Martin

Wilder Wight Communities is on the lookout for local spaces which can be made more nature friendly. It is a partnership project between Southern Co-op and Hampshire & Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust and is all about encouraging people to take action to create and enhance the spaces where they live to give wildlife a helping hand. We want to see more wildlife friendly areas and small outdoor spaces for nature across the Island that are created and supported by the community.

Would you like to help the local wildlife of East Cowes? We can provide you with the advice and support you need to help nature at home, on your doorstep or in your community. So, whether there's an unloved space that could be colourful and buzzing again, or a space that could be made wilder – we can help support you to take action for nature.



For more information contact:
wilderwightcommunities@hiwwt.org.uk

More info on Wilder Wight Communities here:
<https://www.hiwwt.org.uk/wilder-wight-communities>

HOW TO CONTACT THE TOWN COUNCIL

Town Council Meetings

Dates for the coming 12 months are set at the annual meeting. Full Council meetings usually take place on the third Thursday at 6:00pm. Facilities Projects and Events Committee meetings take place bi-monthly on the first Thursday of the month at 6:00pm.

Additional Meetings are set as required for the Planning Committee and the Human Resources Committee.

Agendas are available 3 clear days beforehand on the Town Council website, Social Media and in the notice boards at the Town Hall, Parkside Pavilion and Bumble Bee Garden Play Area.

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SEND US YOUR COMMUNITY NEWS!

Contributions to this newsletter from the community are welcome. If you are with a local group, project or event please email an article and a photo to: admin@eastcowestowncouncil.co.uk

Additional copies of this newsletter are available inside the Town Hall Lobby and in the East Side Curve, as well as at various pick-up locations throughout town (see above).

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