TOWN MESSENGER

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Saltash Neighbourhood Plan - there's still time to have your say on the future of Saltash!

Ask yourself if it matters whether Saltash has... Affordable housing? town centre? Green space and safe playgrounds? Easy and safe access and transport to nearby countryside, beaches and amenities?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, then make your voice heard by filling out a Neighbourhood Plan

questionnaire. There is so much to be proud of in Saltash – it's a thriving community with great assets such as its waterfront setting, location, schools, and much

more... It also has its fair share of challenges, like any town - low wages, traffic congestion and housing costs to name a few. The Neighbourhood Plan is your opportunity to help to make Saltash the best version of itself now and for future generations.

Don't hang around – you've got until 24 September!

As Councillor David Yates says, "We're pleased with the number of questionnaires returned so far - 1200 - but we know there are



After an independent review of the proposed Plan there will be a 'Big Vote' where everyone on the electoral

roll in Saltash will be able to decide whether the Plan gets adopted as the official version. The Plan is then 'made' in law, which gives it 'clout' when big planning decisions are made, making

sure that Saltash residents' views are heard and acted upon.

In fact, the Neighbourhood Plan cannot be ignored when planning applications are decided, so it'll help control the way land is used for housing, business, shops and leisure. It'll also help protect green spaces and influence the design of buildings and estates, tackle difficult issues and support the things that make Saltash such a great place to live, work, learn and visit.

WHAT IS SUSTAINABLE **DEVELOPMENT?**

Making sure our town grows and develops in ways that are safe and fair for future generations. This thinking runs through all aspects of the Neighbourhood Plan and is based on economic. social and environmental considerations such as: Do we have enough land and infrastructure to create jobs? Do we have enough of the right services and facilities to meet the needs of the community? How do we protect and improve our natural. built and historic environment?

HOW TO HAVE YOUR SAY

Simply visit the plan4saltash.co.uk website and click on the green questionnaire link on the home page. There are also separate questionnaires for businesses and under-18s available through the website – just follow the links on the home page. Don't miss your chance to impact directly on important decisions being made in Saltash!

WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT?

It may seem like a while until Christmas, but the Town Council's working group Festive Representatives Of Saltash Town (FROST) hasn't stopped working (since last Christmas in fact) to ensure that the town's popular festive event continues to sparkle as brightly as it has in recent years. Always held on the first Saturday in December, the lantern parades, snow cannons, elves' workshops and fireworks have brought the community together as well as impressing a large number of visitors to the town. The community-led nature of this event, which has seen shops with



displays and children making gorgeous lanterns, is ready to

be taken to the next level this year... Schools and businesses - how about running your own lantern workshop? Town Centre shops - why not set up a stall on Fore Street and take your inside out? Charity and not-for-profit organisations – grab the chance to run a stall with a shop! Find out more by calling the Guildhall on 844846 or posting on the Saltash Christmas Festival Facebook page.



Cllr Bill Phillips, how varied are the Saltash organisations you come into contact with in your role

as Mayor?

Since being elected as Mayor, the variety of events we've been invited to is vast, from AGMs to civic services, birthdays to openings, and concerts to garden parties. They all enforce my belief that if it doesn't happen in Saltash, it doesn't happen anywhere!

Why is the Neighbourhood Plan important for Saltash people?

Our Neighbourhood Plan is nearing the end of the consultation phase – it is your chance to take part in shaping the future of your town. If you haven't yet filled in a questionnaire, it's very easy online. Just go to the plan4saltash. co.uk website.

What have been your social highlights of summer in Saltash so far?

Summer highlights that spring to mind are the WI garden party at Ince Castle and lunch at St Anne's care home to celebrate their birthday.

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What's the story on social media? "Pop-up Shops... your opportunity to be part of the future of the success of Saltash" is proving to

be a very popular Facebook post. Check out the Neighbourhood Plan info on Twitter @plan4saltash Join the conversation on Facebook (search 'Saltash Council') and Twitter @SaltashTC

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Councillor Focus

Your chance to find out more about the dedicated volunteers who represent our interests in the town. This time we talk to two councillors in the East Ward.

DEREK HOLLEY



Saltash is full of nice people and huge numbers of those nice people are willing to get involved with organisations and sports. When the Town Council last counted, there were 140 active organisations in Saltash. Our town is usefully close to a big city but is separated from Plymouth. It is close to two large moors and the coastal path, and you can be on a beach in 30 minutes but don't have the crowds. It has a virtual motorway up to its doors and has a railway, good schools, lots of independent shops, and a waterfront with all the water facilties.

JAMES SHEPHERD

What aspect of being a councillor do you find most fulfilling?

Being able to make a positive difference for the residents of Saltash. I am most proud of the active role I've played in the council's recent move to invest in supporting young people in need by funding professional youth work.

What change or possibility in the future

would you most like to see for the benefit of Saltash? I would love to see Saltash as a town that all its residents are really proud of. For a start we need a thriving town centre and waterfront – I'm really encouraged by all the efforts Saltash people are making to improve these areas.