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PRESS RELEASE

Saltash Town Council Celebrates Community Spirit at Annual Parishioners' Meeting with Civic Awards and Shop Your Town Initiative



Saltash Town Council was delighted to welcome residents, community groups, and local organisations to this year's Annual Parishioners' Meeting, which was delivered with an exciting twist. By combining the Civic Awards with the Shop Your Town initiative, the event offered a vibrant and engaging celebration of everything that makes Saltash such a unique and thriving community.

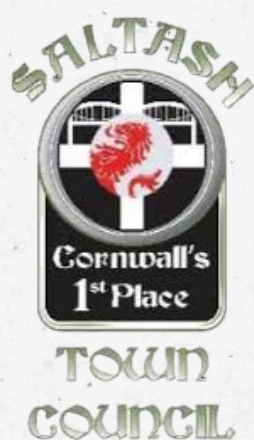
The evening provided a valuable opportunity for attendees to come together in a friendly and inclusive setting, hear updates from the Town Council, and connect with the people and organisations that play a vital role in local life. From the outset, there was a strong sense of community pride, with residents enjoying the chance to explore a wide variety of local clubs, services, and opportunities.

A key highlight of the evening was the Civic Awards ceremony, which shone a well-deserved spotlight on individuals and organisations whose dedication, compassion, and hard work make a lasting difference across Saltash. These awards serve as an important reminder of the strength of community spirit within the town, recognising those who go above and beyond to support others and enrich local life.

This year's Civic Award winners were:

- Mayor's Award – Essa Cup - Community Fridge and Larder
- Peter Stephens Cup – Memory Box
- Contribution to the Community – Sue Chakley
- Youth Group Leader – Caitlin Barnes
- Cultural Contribution – Gary Richardson
- Lifetime Achievement Award – Lizzy Asprey

Running alongside the awards, the Shop Your Town initiative showcased the diversity, creativity, and resilience of Saltash's local organisations, businesses, and volunteer groups. Attendees had the chance to meet representatives, learn about the wide range of activities available locally, and discover new ways to get involved, whether through volunteering, joining a club, or simply supporting local services.



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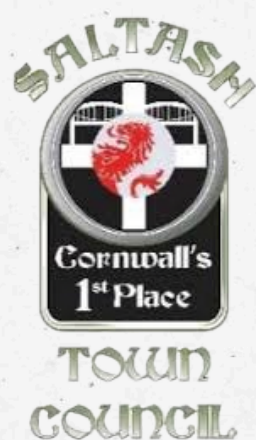
A fantastic range of groups took part, including Memory Box, Oaklands Community Centre, Saltash Bowls Club, Saltash Repair Café, Royal British Legion Saltash and District, Saltash Police, Saltash Tamar Lions, Rotary Club of Saltash, Community Enterprises PL12, Saltash Boxing Club, Saltash Community Shed, Tamar Trotters Running Club Saltash, Saltash Cricket Club, Saltash Heritage, Saltash Old Cornwall Society, and Saltash Scrapstore. Their presence helped to create a lively and interactive atmosphere, encouraging conversation, connection, and collaboration.

Mayor Cllr Rachel Bullock says:

“It was a true privilege to celebrate the incredible people and organisations that make Saltash such a special place to live. The Civic Awards highlight the dedication, kindness and community spirit that exist throughout our town. Bringing this together with our Shop Your Town initiative made the evening even more meaningful, showcasing not only our inspiring residents but also the strength and vibrancy of our local community. My sincere congratulations go to all of this year’s nominees and winners.”

Saltash Town Council extends its sincere thanks to everyone who attended, as well as to all the organisations, volunteers, and contributors who helped make the event such a success.

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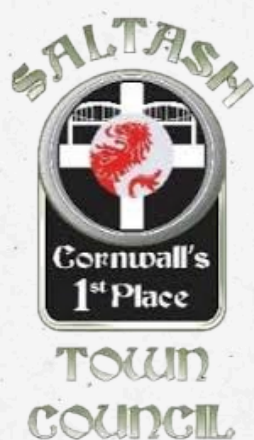
Notes To Editor

Saltash Town Council forms the third tier of local government and works with Cornwall Council who are our Unitary Authority. We are the largest Town Council in the south-east area of Cornwall.

The Town Council is committed to providing excellence in the Services and Facilities which it delivers. We aim to be responsive, accessible, and transparent in our approach and in the work delivered.

There are sixteen Councillors representing three Wards – Essa, Tamar and Trematon. Councillors are elected from the community every four years. Spaces are filled via by-elections, or by means of the Town Council choosing new Councillors via co-option.

The Chairman and Deputy Chairman are elected by Members of the Town Council annually at the Annual Town Council meeting held in May. The Chairman also undertakes the role of Mayor representing the Town Council and community at official engagements, with their consort.



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