



# The Town Crier



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Quarterly newsletter of  
Dawlish Town Council

## Forthcoming Meetings

### and Events:

**June 2008:**

**4th Town Council**

**10th Planning**

**19th Finance and**

**General Purposes**

**24th Planning**

**25th Civic Amenities**

**July 2008:**

**2nd Town Council**

**8th Planning**

**17th Finance and General Pur-**

**poses**

**22nd Planning**

**23rd Civic Amenities**

**August 2008:**

*(the Town Council is in recess in August except for planning meetings)*

**5th Planning**

**19th Planning**

## June 2008

### Where to find us:

The Town Council offices located at:

The Manor House, Old Town Street, Dawlish

Open Monday to Friday 9.30a.m. to 12.30p.m. and

1.00p.m. to 3.00p.m. or telephone 01626 863388



## New Youth Council for Dawlish

### *Dawlish Youth Council Its going to happen*



*The Youth Council is being set up to give the young people of Dawlish an opportunity to convey their ideas, aspirations and priorities to the Town Council and other agencies in the town. It is hoped it will also act as a means for the Town Council to consult with them as valued members of the community.*

Plans are well under way for the setting up of a new **Youth Council for Dawlish**.

The Town Council has been assisted by Teignbridge District Council's Service Lead for Community and Culture, Mr. Steve Matson and Celia Hadow, Teignbridge Youth Council Officer. They have also received help from PC Kevin Parsons and PCSO Gary Cairns who has been an enthusiastic

supporter of the Youth Council project. The Town Council has set aside funding to set up the Youth Council and to provide elections. Administrative support will also be provided by Town Council staff. Once in place, the Youth Council will have its own budget to spend on projects specifically to help the young people of Dawlish.

The Youth Council will consist of 12 members aged between 13 and 19 years of age. They will be elected by local Dawlish young people from youth and church groups, uniformed youth groups, Dawlish Community College and other youth organisations in the town.

The timetable will be:

**April to June 2008** - arrangements will be made to advertise elections for the Youth Council

**September to October 2008** - opportunity for candidates to campaign for election

### **End of September/early October 2008 ELECTIONS**

**End of October 2008** - the first meeting of Dawlish Youth Council will take place.

*If you are aged between 13 and 19 years of age, and would like further information about how to become a member of Dawlish Youth Council please contact Gary Cairns on 08456567888 or the Town Council on 01626 863388.*



## NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF DATE FOR THE EXERCISE OF ELECTORS' RIGHTS

### Accounts for the year ended

**31st March 2008**

*Audit Commission Act 1998 Accounts and Audit Regulations 2003 (SI 2003/533) as amended by the Accounts and Audit (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2006 (SI 2006/564)*

21st May 2008

Each year the Council's annual return is audited by an external auditor appointed by the Audit Commission. Any person interested has the opportunity to inspect and make copies of the Annual Return and all books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts, etc., relating to them. For the year ended 31st March 2008 these documents will be available on reasonable notice to The Town Clerk, The Manor House, Dawlish, between the hours of 9.30a.m. to 3.00p.m. on Monday to Friday commencing on 30th May 2008 and ending on 29th June 2008.

Local Government Electors and their representatives also have:

The opportunity to question the auditor about the accounts, who can be contacted at Audit Commission, Midland House, Notte St., Plymouth on 30th June 2008 and after that date the accounts will be available at the address given.

The right to attend before the Auditor to make objections to the accounts or any item in them. Written notice of an objection must first be given to the Auditor and a copy sent to the Council.

*John Winchester  
Town Clerk.*



## NEW MAYOR FOR DAWLISH 2008-2009



At the Annual General Meeting of the Council held on the 7th May 2008 the new Mayor for Dawlish was elected.

**Cllr. Wally Protheroe**, who was also Mayor in 2004-2005, was unanimously elected for a second term as Mayor. Cllr. Geoff Wills was elected as Deputy Mayor. Wally and his wife, June, are looking forward to meeting local residents throughout their Mayoral year. "This is a special year for Dawlish, both the Carnival and Dawlish Museum are celebrating 40 years and I look forward to supporting them." The Mayor's Charity will be The Helen Foundation.



Cllr. Mrs. Rosalind Prowse, the retiring Mayor, thanked Councillors and the people of Dawlish for their support during her Mayoral year when she raised over £2,500 for local causes.

"I have had a fantastic year and met some wonderful people. Dawlish is in great heart and although we often hear negative things in the press, I can truly say that Dawlish has a great spirit. Dawlish is facing big changes and I am sure it will rise to the challenge. Under Cllr. Protheroe's leadership I am sure the Town Council will make great progress for the people of Dawlish."

## New Local Produce Market for Dawlish



### Bringing fresh local produce to local people

A new monthly **Local Produce Market** will soon be operating in Dawlish.

Provided by a partnership between Dawlish Town Council and Dawlish Chamber of Trade, the market aims to bring fresh local produce, within a 30-mile radius, to Dawlish.

Representatives of both organisations have been meeting with Teignbridge District Council to discuss the best location for the market. Partnership agreements, operational requirements and licensing are currently being arranged, and once these details have been finalised, decorative stalls will be purchased to ensure the market has an attractive overall appearance.

The market will be limited in size, ensuring that high quality, fresh local produce - free-range where possible - will be on sale.

It is hoped that the first **Local Produce Market** will take place in the Autumn.



## yellow book – Plan for Dawlish



The long-awaited yellow book plan for regeneration of Dawlish was revealed at a public meeting hosted by Dawlish Community Trust at The Shaftesbury Theatre on 6th May.

The theatre was packed with local residents and Councillors eager to hear the results of the

Community Trust's consultation on town centre regeneration and future plans for Dawlish.

Mr. John Lord of yellow book gave a presentation on the vision for Dawlish set out in the Master Plan and answered wide-ranging questions from the floor. A copy of the Master Plan is available for members of the public to view at The Manor House, Old Town Street, Dawlish

If you would like further information on the regeneration plan, please contact Mr. Bob Vickery of The Dawlish Community Trust on 01626 866803.

## Black Swans and waterfowl



Thanks to the hard work of Mr. Derek Porter, Waterfowl Warden, ducklings have once again been on display at the Waterfowl Compound.

Two of the Town's famous black swans recently produced a brood of six cygnets.

As the Black Swans are not native to the UK, current legislation requires that the birds are pinioned to prevent them flying away. This procedure was carried out by a vet and the birds placed in the waterfowl compound to keep the cygnets safe from predators. Five of the cygnets have progressed well but, sadly, one cygnet required referral for veterinary treatment and despite the best efforts of the Vet and the Wardens, did not survive. Once the risk of spring flooding had passed, the family were released onto the Brook. If you would like to 'adopt' a Black Swan, please contact the Town Hall for details.

## Cllr. Pat Smith retires

Cllr. Pat Smith, who was elected to the Town Council's South West Ward in May 2007 resigned from the Council in April 2008. Although Pat was a Councillor for only a year, her contribution to the Civic Amenities Committee was greatly valued.

As there were insufficient requests for a bye-election, the vacant seat on the Council will be filled by co-option in due course.

## New Administration Officer for Council

The Town Council has employed a new Administration Officer: Ally Holmes took up her post in mid-May and brings a wealth of experience from her previous post with Swanage Town Council. The new Officer will be responsible for the Youth Council, allotments, Planning and the Town Council's website amongst other duties.

## Sainsbury's Supermarket



Over 35 local residents attended the Special Meeting of the Town Council's Planning Committee which was called to discuss an application by Sainsbury Supermarkets Ltd to develop a site at Shutterton.

The plans include provision of a supermarket, petrol filling station, car wash and associated works.

Plans were on display to allow residents and Councillors to appreciate the full impact of the proposals.

Members of the public spoke passionately both for and against the new development and, after debate, the Town Council recommended no objections to the proposals provided that a Section 106 Agreement was put in place to provide town centre improvements in Dawlish.

The application will now be discussed by **Teignbridge District Council** on **Monday 23rd June 2008** when the final decision will be made.

*Plans are available at the Town Hall for inspection by members of the public, during office hours.*

## Skateboard Park up-date



Teignbridge District Council Planning Department recently gave the go-ahead for the Skateboard Park at Sandy Lane which means that the £90,000 funding received from The Big Lottery Fund can now be utilised to start work on the new facility.

Young people have voiced their frustrations at how long it is taking to get the skate park built, but projects of this type have to satisfy a whole range of requirements which may seem bureaucratic but are essential to carry the project through.

Dawlish Town Council has already released £20,000 to enable the Big Lottery funding to be accessed and is taking on the lease of the land on which the skatepark is to be built. Once construction is completed, the Town Council will take on the responsibility of cleaning, daily safety inspections and maintenance. The skatepark will also be covered by the Town Council's public liability

insurance. Specifications for the skatepark are currently under discussion and quotations for the work are awaited. It is anticipated that work will commence in June with completion scheduled for late summer.

The Dawlish Action for Youth Committee and the Town Council are working hard to ensure that the young people of Dawlish will have their skate park. It is important to acknowledge the very valuable work done by the Committee, all of whom are volunteers. New members are always welcome and the **Dawlish Action for Youth Annual General Meeting** will take place at The Methodist Church Hall in Dawlish on **Monday 14th July at 7.00p.m.**

*For further details please contact Shirley Fewings at the Volunteer Centre on 01626 888321.*



## Your Councillors and how to contact them:

*Your local Councillors can be contacted at the following telephone numbers.*

*If you are unsure of which Councillor to contact, please call in or telephone the office on 01626 863388 where staff will be pleased to direct your enquiry to the Councillor best able to deal with your enquiry.*

**Cllr. Wally Protheroe** (Mayor of Dawlish) Mount Pleasant Inn, Mount Pleasant Road, Dawlish Warren, Dawlish. Tel: 01626 863151

**Cllr. G. Wills** (Deputy Mayor of Dawlish) 13 Kingsdown Crescent, Dawlish Tel: 01626 888074

**Cllr. H. Clemens** (Chairman Finance and General Purposes Committee) Manor Farm, Holcombe, Nr. Dawlish Tel: 01626 863020 *Teignbridge District Councillor*

**Cllr. Mrs. Rosalind Prowse** (Chairman Civic Amenities Committee) 4 Nash Gardens, Dawlish Tel: 01626 866621 *Teignbridge District Councillor*

**Cllr. G. Price** (Chairman Planning) Mewstone, The Mews, Dawlish Tel: 01626 867088 *Teignbridge District Councillor*

**Cllr. Mrs. Jackie Bush** 2 Elm Grove Drive, Dawlish Tel: 01626 865704

**Cllr. Mrs. Pauline Bloomfield** 50 Cofton Hill, Cockwood, Nr. Exeter. Tel: 01626 890200

**Cllr. Derek Collins** 5 Little Week Gardens, Dawlish Tel: 01626 862103

**Cllr. Mrs. Janet Garland** 10 Luscombe Terrace, Dawlish Tel: 01626 888312

**Cllr. Ted Hockin** Aalsmeer, Exeter Road, Dawlish Tel: 01626 862088 *Teignbridge District Councillor*

**Cllr. Mrs. Helen Humphries** Flat 1, 6 Marine Parade, Dawlish Tel: 01626 862233

**Cllr. Mrs. Mary Mugford** 'Seaforth' 7 Mount Pleasant Road, Dawlish Warren Tel: 01626 863516 *Teignbridge District Councillor*

**Cllr. Tom Scobie** 8 Westwood Hill, Cockwood, Nr. Exeter 01626 890879

**Cllr. Francine Tullis** Branscombe Cottage, Branscombe Lane, Dawlish 01626 864424

**Cllr. Mrs. Helen Wills** 13 Kingsdown Crescent, Dawlish Tel: 01626 888074

**Devon County Councillor for Dawlish:** Cllr. John Clatworthy 23 West Cliff Road, Dawlish Tel: 01626 864091

### Would you like to talk to your MP?

**Richard Younger-Ross, MP for Teignbridge**, holds regular local 'surgeries' at The Manor House, Old Town Street. If you have a problem which you think your MP may be able to help with, just call in - no appointment is necessary. **The next surgery will be held on 28th June from 10.00a.m. to 11.30a.m.** Contact the Constituency Office at 24-26 Queen Street, Newton Abbot on 01626 202626.

### RNLI Open Garden and Fete



The RNLI is holding a charity Lifeboat Open Garden and Fete at Luscombe Castle on **Saturday 7th June.**

The event, by kind permission of Mr. Simon Hoare, will give the public a rare opportunity to visit the grounds of the Castle which are normally closed to the public. Special displays are planned, including a falconry display and a jazz band performance as well as refreshments, home-made cakes and stalls offering RNLI souvenirs and gifts. Cost of admission is £5 (£2.50 for children). All proceeds go to the RNLI.

### Marshall's wanted



**Dawlish Carnival** is celebrating its 40th anniversary in 2008 and Carnival Week looks to be the biggest and best ever with new events and an expanded air-show taking place.

The Carnival Committee is currently looking for new Marshalls for the event. This is an important job as, without Marshalls, the Carnival simply cannot take place.

You will receive full training and be part of a friendly group providing a wonderful event for Dawlish. **And you'll get a ringside view!**

If you would like more information contact the Carnival Chairman, Mr. Brian Heath, or the Town Council Offices on 01626 863388.

