

NORTHAM TOWN COUNCIL COUNCILLORS AND STAFF

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

3rd December Town Projects
5th December Special Full Council
17th December Finance

9th January Planning
14th January Town Projects
21st January Northam Burrows
28th January Finance
30th January Planning & Full Council

Agendas are published 6 days before the meeting and can be found on the website and in notice boards around the area.

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NORTHAM TOWN COUNCIL WINTER NEWSLETTER 2018



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A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

As Mayor, standing there at the Cenotaph at the 11th hour on that momentous day when the Nation came together to remember the fallen of two world wars and conflicts since, standing among the falling autumn leaves I tried to imagine 100 years ago, when the guns fell silent all along the Western Front, an eerie silence must have hung over the killing fields. Those lucky enough to have come through that Armageddon must have looked at each other in disbelief, at last the boys were going home. No more awaiting the shrill of the dreaded whistle, for men to go over the top, or Jack Tar piped to action stations, locked down in the bowels of their ships until such time as the enemy were swept from the sea or they themselves went down fighting aboard the great leviathan of the Royal Navy.

On a much lighter note, it seems at long last parishioners can look forward to the extension of the festoon lighting at Westward Ho! being turned on, as work is due to start at the beginning of December with the installation, hopefully in time for Christmas.

As Mayor, I would like to wish Councillors, staff, maintenance men and parishioners alike, a joyous and merry festive season of goodwill and a carefree New Year.

WW1 CENTENARY



To commemorate 100 years since the end of the First World War, the Town Council erected 10 'There but not There' silhouettes around the area. The photograph below was sent in by Mrs Heather McCarthy. She and her son, Luke, visited the Northam War Memorial and enjoyed a picnic with his Great Great Grandfather, Thomas Barclay. Luke is the Great Grandson of the former Councillor and Honorary Alderman Alasdair Barclay who sadly passed away this year.

As part of the Centenary commemorations, an afternoon tea party was held at Northam Hall. Residents from local care homes were invited along with relatives of those who are named on the Northam War

Memorial. Cllr Rev Arnold gave a short speech to welcome the guests which was followed by a slide show with the names and pictures of those from the Northam Town Council area who died in the Great War. Appledore Band then entertained with some war time music to sing along too.



Northam Town Council is now assisting with the organisation of the Appledore Remembrance Service and parade. This year, a road closure on The Quay was applied for and a new parade route was used. Participants met at the end of Pitt Hill and paraded to the Cenotaph where wreaths were laid. The service followed in St Mary's Church. The new programme was a great success and it was good to see so many attending to remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice.

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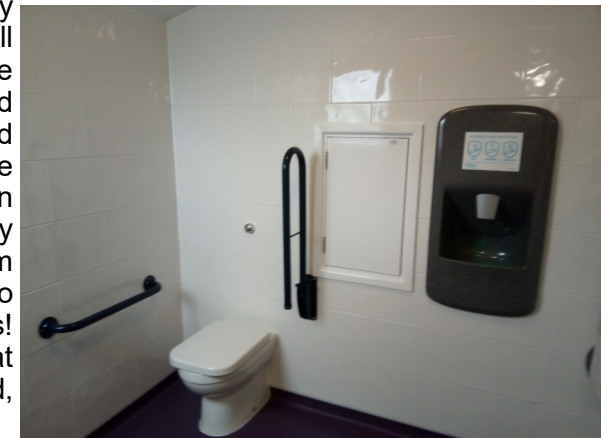


BONE HILL

The Council has recently taken over responsibility for Bone Hill and its flag pole. The Town Projects Committee have approved works to renew the information boards which should be completed soon. The Maintenance Men have been working hard to refurbish and paint the railings and the memorial stones at the base of the flag pole.

TOWN AND PARISH (TAP) FUND

The Council's latest project to be funded through the TAP Fund has now been completed. The fund has allowed us to completely refurbish the public toilet which is located behind the Community Centre in Fore Street, Northam. All new flooring, tiling and fixtures have been installed including disabled facilities, a baby changing table and automatic hand washing station. The door has also been fitted with an automatically timed lock so the facility is available between the hours of 7am and 10pm, much easier than having to borrow the key from the hairdressers! The Council is already looking at possible projects for next year's Fund, watch this space.



CAROL SERVICE

The Town Council's annual Carol Concert will be held on Saturday 8th December in St Margaret's Church at 3.30pm. All are welcome to attend and join in with the young singers from the Schools. Appledore Band will play and Father Christmas will be taking a break from his busy schedule to attend.