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MACCLESFIELD COUNCIL COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER



ST GEORGE'S DAY

Pictures and information from our St George's Day Celebration and Parade

MAYOR MAKING 2017

Meet the new The Mayor of Macclesfield



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St George & The Macc Dragon

On 23rd April the town centre was host to our St George's Day celebration event and parade. The event welcomed everyone to take part in Knight Training School, there were birds of prey, free face painting, balloon modelling and a dragon treasure hunt.

The main attraction in Market Place was undoubtedly the arrival of St George and his valiant victory over the Macc Dragon.



The dragon and St George's costume were created by Macclesfield Community Artspace and volunteers brought the characters to life with interactive displays and tours of the town centre. There was live entertainment from Macclesfield Youth Brass Band and the Waters Green Morris Dancers.

There was also a civic parade of civic guests, the Guides, Scouts, Cubs and Beavers, all led very impressively by the town's Parade Marshal, Peter Lake.

And St Michael's Church hosted a special service, which was also broadcast to those outside the church. All in all it was a fun packed day and great to see the community of Macclesfield enjoying some traditional fun and we are all looking forward to next year's event.





Community Grants Available for Macclesfield

Macclesfield Town Council has been offering its Community Grants Scheme for the past 2 years and continues to welcome applications.

Last financial year, the community Grant Scheme awarded a total of around £25,000 to a wide variety of projects and groups, such as Macclesfield Boys Boxing Club, North West Air Ambulance and Age UK's Men In Sheds.

The grant scheme welcomes applications from all sections of the community of Macclesfield and has two levels of support. There is a short application form for grants up to £250 and a slightly more detailed form for grants up to £2,000.



The scheme seeks to support activities that are for the broad benefit of the residents and community of Macclesfield and applications are asked to express their project's benefits and also costs and match funding.

More information on the grants scheme can be found on our website or you can contact us via email community@macclesfield-tc.gov.uk or call us on 01625 374142

Grant applications are considered by the Finance Committee which is scheduled to meet on the following dates in 2017/18: 17/7/17, 18/9/17, 20/11/17, 15/1/18, 12/3/18 & 23/4/18



Meetings & Events

Council Meetings

- 19th June Full Council - Town Hall 7pm
- 10th July Services Committee - Town Hall 7pm
- 17th July Finance Committee - Town Hall 7pm

Events

- 19th - 21st May Macclesfield Garden Festival
- 30th May Panda Bears Picnic - West Park
- 10th June Pipes & Drum Display - Market Place
- 1st July Cycle Saturday & Grand Depart
- 1st July Comic Festival - Town Hall
- 12th August SilkFest Film Festival
- 2nd Sept British Nerf Championship - Market Place





Welcome to the new Mayor of Macclesfield

On the 15th May we thanked our outgoing Mayor, Cllr Alift Harewood MBE for her year in office representing Macclesfield and welcomed Cllr Beverley Dooley to the position of The Mayor of Macclesfield.

Cllr Dooley will continue the historic and civic traditions of the role, dating back to Thomas de Astbury in 1330.

Cllr Adam Schofield was elected to the post of Deputy Mayor and a cadet from St John Ambulance will be selected as the Mayor's Cadet.



The Mayor has nominated two charities to support this year, Reach Out And recover (ROAR) , who support people with a history of substance misuse, and Space 4 Autism, a group providing purpose made facilities for children and families living with autism. Cllr Dooley will be hosting a number of charity events in the forthcoming year to raise money for these two local causes.

The ceremony was supported and attended by members of the community including the Mayors of Bollington, Congleton and Cheshire East as well as family and friends of Cllr Dooley.

Cllr Dooley paid tribute to the retiring Mayor, Cllr Harewood, and thanked her for a fun-filled and inclusive 2016-17 civic year.

On Your Bikes for New Local Bike Rides

MaccTivity
#MOVEMOREMACCLESFIELD

Macclesfield Council is looking to find ways to make activity the easy option in the town and launched MaccTivity, covering a number of schemes the council is championing

On 1st July the town pays host to its first Cycle Saturday and a Grand Depart of guided cycle rides from the event in Market Place. This coincides with the start of the Tour De France and will feature free cycle-themed activities such as maintenance, first aid, bike security and fitness trials.

The council is also looking at investing in parks and play areas, supporting the introduction of a Park Run and the provision of Street Sports for young people. For more information, go to our website or find us on social media.

