

Ludlow Town Council FREE Buttercross Bulletin



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Welcome from the Mayor, Councillor Paul Draper

The Town Council is committed to ongoing discussions regarding possible devolution of services from Shropshire Council to the Town Council. It is Ludlow Town Council's stated aim to improve the

quality of life for residents.

We are not kidding ourselves that it is going to be easy over the next few years, but we are prepared to listen to the residents' needs and address those needs within the resources and powers of the Town Council.

2016 saw positive changes in Ludlow; on the 12th of August the historic Buttercross re-opened 10am – 4pm every Friday, Saturday & Sunday as Ludlow Museum at the Buttercross. Please visit and support Ludlow's Heritage. **Continues on Page 2**



Calendar of Events 2017 Out Now!

Find out what's on in your town during 2017. Pick up your free copy from Ludlow Town Council, The Guildhall, Mill Street, Ludlow.





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On 4th May 2017, a new Town Council will be elected get involved and make a difference in your town. Nominations open on 13 March—please contact Shropshire Council Elections on 0345 678 9015

My sincere thanks goes to my fellow Councillors, the Town Clerk and staff for their support and hard work over the

past four vears, Ludlow Town Council works in partnership with others to achieve more for Ludlow including Ludlow's Unitary Councillors, who tirelessly work for Ludlow: Shropshire Council staff, who work closely with Town Council staff to relay information and undertake work respectively for the town: and many local organisations who receive financial assistance, make their views known through an ongoing dialogue, and contribute to local projects.

Thank you to everyone who attended Ludlow's third annual Mayor's Black Tie Event and Charity Auction at Ludlow Assembly Rooms on Saturday 4th March 2017 in aid of Ludlow Foyer. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

Councillor P Draper Mayor of Ludlow

Budget & Precept Update



The Town Council's Vision for Ludlow successful. vibrant. is а attractive town, where people want to live, work, and visit.

The Town Council's annual budget pays for delivery of local services. The Town Council has recently opened Ludlow Museum at the Buttercross. Other local services include burial and maintenance Henley at Road Cemetery, maintenance of recreation grounds at the Linney Riverside Park, Wheeler Road skate park & play area, Housman Crescent play area, St John's Gardens, Ludlow Market, Civic Events including Remembrance Sunday, Mayor Making & Mayor's Sunday, Ludlow Calendar Of Events, public meetings, community grants to local organisations, bus shelters, benches, public toilets, market street lights, street trading, local consultee on planning

applications, allotments, Ludlow May fair. Plan. Ludlow Town town centre banners, town centre CCTV, Christmas lights and Switch-On Event and Seniors' Christmas Party.

Ludlow Town Council set expenditure budget of £812,007.00 for the 2017/18 financial year.

The expenditure budget is offset by income of £320,707.00 and reserves of £41.280.00 totalling £361.987.00

The budget requires a Council Tax precept of £450,020.00, which is divided by a council tax base of £3379.80 in Ludlow. This means that the annual amount payable for a band D property in Ludlow increases by £26.08 from £107.06 to £133.14. An increase of 50 pence per week per Band D property.



Markets

Ludlow's outdoor Department Store



The **Best** Market is here in **Ludlow**

Every

Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday Specialist Markets Most Thursdays and Sundays www.ludlow.gov.uk

Regular Markets are held on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Specialist Markets will also be held as follows:

Local Produce—Thurs 23rd March Mothers Day Market—Sun 26th March Made in Shropshire—Sat 1st April Antiques—Sun 2nd April Craft & Garden—Sun 9th April Local Produce—Thurs 13th April Antiques—Sun 16th April Food & Craft—Thurs 20th April Craft & Country—Sun 23rd April Local Produce—Thurs 27th April Food & Craft—Thurs 4th May Antiques—Sun 7th May Local Produce—Thurs 11th May Food & Craft—Thurs 18th May Antiques—Sun 21st May Craft & Garden—Sun 28th May Food & Craft—Thurs 1st June Made in Shropshire—Sat 3rd June Antiques—Sun 4th June Local Produce—Thurs 8th June Book & Craft—Sun 11th June Food & Craft—Thurs 15th June



Ludlow is Electing a new Town Council on 4th May 2017!

This is your chance to help shape your town!

Be a Town Councillor

Nomination open on 13 March 2017 and packs are available from Shropshire Council Elections and will contain all the information and paperwork you will need to run your campaign.

Who can become a Councillor?

Almost everyone can become a Councillor as long as they:

- · Are 18 years or over
- Are a British Citizen, or a Citizen of the Commonwealth or of the European Union
- Don't work for Ludlow Town Council
- Don't work on a politically restrictive post
- Are not subject to a bankruptcy restriction order
- Served a prison sentence of three months or more within a five year period of the election
- Have not been disqualified under any legislation relating to corruption or illegal practices.

Why become a Councillor?

Do you want to help local people and be a key figure of the local community? Do you want to be a representative of your local community and be the voice of the people?

All you need to do is stand for election as a local Councillor and then maybe you could begin a job that is both very challenging, but also incredibly rewarding.

Being a Councillor means you will be in a position where you can make a variety of decisions about local issues and help influence future development within the local area.



2017

What is the role of a Councillor?

- •To be a representative for residents and bring local thoughts and ideas into the Councils decision making process
- •To respond to resident's enquiries and opinions
- •To attend meetings and committees and decide on policy implementation, where money should be spent, what services should be delivered and what activities to support

All this requires hard work and dedication, however if successful, it can be very fulfilling and satisfying.

Find out more in the 'Becoming a Councillor' section of Ludlow Town Council's website: www.ludlow.gov.uk

Nomination packs must be handed to Shropshire Council Officers in person.

Officers will be at Helena Lane
Day Care Centre in Ludlow on:-

Thursday 16 March 08.45-16.00

Wednesday 22 March 08.45-16.00

Tuesday 28th March 08.45-15.45



Elections are run by Shropshire Council Election Count Down ...

- •Notice of Election: 13th March 2017 get your nomination pack
- Close of Withdrawals: 4th April 2017 at 4pm
- •Close of Nominations: 4th April 2017 at 4pm—deadline for submitting your nomination in person to Shropshire Council
- •Statement of Persons Nominated: 5th April 2017 at 4pm—find out who is standing in your ward!
- •Election Day: 4th May 2017—vote for your local councillor!!

For advice call Shropshire Council's Elections Team on 0345 678 9015

2016 Round-up

Christmas Lights Switch on

Streams of people gathered in Ludlow on 26th November 2016 to watch the annual Christmas Lights switch on.

Among the highlights were Father Christmas, who was pulled to his grotto by real reindeer, music from local choirs and a procession to Ludlow Rotary's tree of light.

New this year was entertainment from the characters from Frozen, who assisted the Mayor of Ludlow, Councillor Draper, and competition winner Freya Stewardson in switching on the Christmas lights at 5pm.

Ludlow Town Council hosted the event with help from Sunshine Radio.

Did you attend the switch on? If so we'd love to hear your feedback. Drop us a line and let us know. Email townclerk@ludlow.gov.uk.



Remembrance Sunday

Ludlow's Remembrance Sunday Service took place on Sunday 13th November 2016. Members of the public were invited to attend the service held at the Parish Church of St Laurence. The Civic & Military parade marched from Ludlow Castle, through town and into the Church for the service, and then made its way to the Peace Memorial to lay wreaths in memory of the fallen. A minute's silence was followed by the

National Anthem and the Mayor took the salute on Mill Street and thanked the parade.



Kids Corner

Ludlow Town Council held its annual fun day in Ludlow on Saturday 23rd July 2016. The free event is hosted by the Town Council every year to provide entertainment and activities for children of all ages during the school holidays. Fun and games included activities from Shrewsbury Town Football Club, family fitness from 'Andali', arts & crafts, planting with Ludlow in Bloom, face painting, glitter tattoos, West Mercia Police and Ludlow Fire Service.



Coming up in Ludlow



Ludlow Mayfair Thursday 27th April —Monday 1st May 2017 Ludlow Town Centre

Open every day

until late, all the fun of the fair in Ludlow! Bring the family and enjoy the amusements at the traditional Fun Fair throughout the May Bank Holiday.

Annual Town Meeting, 24th April 2017 Ludlow Assembly Rooms

Residents of the town are encouraged to attend and may request specific items for discussion. Anyone who would like to raise a question, please write to the Town Clerk prior to the meeting to Gina Wilding, Town Clerk, Ludlow Town Council, The Guildhall, Mill Street, Ludlow SY8 1AZ or townclerk@ludlow.gov.uk



Mayor Making
24th May 2017
Ludlow
Assembly
Rooms, 7pm
Ceremony to
elect the new
Mayor and

Deputy Mayor of



Outgoing Mayor & Deputy Mayor

Ludlow, and Civic award presentations to celebrate exceptional local people.

Spring Food Festival, Saturday 13th & Sunday 14th May, Ludlow Castle

Like a Beer Festival but



Better. Take 200 Real Ales, combine 60 passionate, local food & drink producers, mix in toe tapping live music, over 180 spectacular classic cars what do you get...The Ludlow Spring Festival of course! Don't forget your voucher for £1 off a full paying adult on the front of this newsletter!



Ludlow Fringe Festival 17th June - 2nd July 2017

Ludlow Comes alive for this years Fringe Festival

2017's Fringe looks set to be another year of spectacular entertainment for all. 100's of events all around the town including Music, Street Theatre, Dance, Comedy, Performing and Visual Arts.

Start your exploration of Ludlow's heritage here



Open 10am - 4pm

Friday, Saturday, Sunday & Bank Holidays

Admission

£1 Adults 50p under 16yrs FREE under 5yrs

Lift & Disabled Access Toilet

For more information please contact 01584 878697

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COMMITTEE	DATE	TIME	VENUE
Services	Monday 3rd April 2017	7pm	Guildhall
Representational	Wednesday 5th April 2017	7pm	Guildhall
Policy & Finance	Monday 10th April 2017	7pm	Guildhall
Annual Town Meeting Monday 24th April 2017		7pm Assembly Rooms	
Representational	Wednesday 3rd May 2017	7pm	Guildhall
Annual General Meeting Wednesday 10th May 2017		7pm	Guildhall
Mayor Making Wednesday 24th May 2017		7pm	Guildhall
Representational	Wednesday 31st May 2017	7pm	Guildhall
Services	Monday 5th June 2017	7pm	Guildhall
Policy & Finance	Monday 12th June 2017	7pm	Guildhall
Full Council	Monday 19th June 2017	7pm	Guildhall