

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT TO THE MEETING OF FULL COUNCIL ON WEDNESDAY, 19 JULY 2017

29 May

Chairman attended 999 Roadshow at Beaulieu – Fantastic event to see how hard and dedicated our 999, Prisons, Coastguard, Armed Forces, etc were in one event. Chance to meet all the newly elected dignitaries from across Hampshire.

11 June

Chairman attended the Dedication of New Standard RBL Cowes branch at Holy Trinity Church, Cowes.

13 June

Deputy Chairman attended SERFCA (South East Reserve Forces and Cadet Associations) in Southampton on my behalf.

15 June

Chairman attended Ryde TC Civic Service. A good opportunity to catch up with Ryde residents and see inside George Street centre!

17 June

11:30 - 17:00 Chairman attended RBL Armed Force Day – Eastern Gardens Ryde - An incredibly hot day! Icing on the cake to have Mary Ellis (100 years young) who during the war flew planes across the country. Well done to 'everyone' for the super day!

19 June

18:30 - 20:30 Chairman attended HIWCF Reception Ben Ainslie Racing Headquarters, Portsmouth – have to say not heard much about this group so good opportunity to Network.

Chairman attended Armed Forces Flag Raising Ceremony in Newport Square - delighted that over 80 guests, including military from the mainland and many Mayors from Town and Parishes turned out for this magnificent event.

20 June

Chairman attended opening of Bays Olympics. Over 2,000 young people took part in this impressive event. ONLY SANDOWN (The Bays) has this incredible sports facility on the Island.

14:00 – 15:30 Chairman attended RBL Seaview and Nettlestone Branch - Armed Forces Flag Raising Ceremony - Bembridge War Memorial and Holy Trinity Church Bembridge. A wonderful event made special for me by my school teacher being Mayor and catching up on 40 missed years. The local primary school made the event very touching. Well done everyone.

25 June

12:45 - 17:00 Chairman attended The Royal Isle of Wight County Show Lunch with Major Martin White - County Showground, Northwood - DELIGHTED to attend this event. Graham Biss has done an incredible job of 'bringing back' the original 'Agricultural Show' full of animals. If you have not been, book time out for next year to see the 'true glory' of our Island. Thank you to everyone involved for making it happen.

27 June

18:00 - 20:00 Chairman attended opening of Queen Victoria's Garden Terrace - Osborne House, East Cowes - A nice evening (shame it rained) A magnificent restoration project.

30 June

14:00 Chairman attended Official Opening of the Pollen Trail at Pan Country Park - Wow, gorgeous day, outstanding views never seen before, incredible sculptures, WELL DONE everyone, Love It! Save our green open spaces.

5 July

08:00 - 09:00 Chairman attended re-opening of Morrison's Café, Newport following refit. Morrison's Newport - An early start! A tremendous job by staff who only closed for 2 days. Wonderful network of 'regulars' who visit 6 days a week.

13 July

14:00 - 15:00 Ground Breaking Event – Forest Park Waste site- POSTPONED.

19:30 - 22:30 Chairman attended Mayoral Dinner Party – The Lord Mayor's Suite, Guildhall, Portsmouth - attended by myself and Deputy Chairman. A good chance to talk with fellow Mayors/Chairmen from Hampshire.

Chairman attended HOMESTART - 20 years of supporting families on Island. Delighted to attend this event at Bluebells Café. An incredible achievement by all involved.

15 July

11:00 - 14:00 Chairman attended IOW Pride Event - Parade from Ryde School to Eastern Gardens - I asked if I could attend this event as the Chairman. An incredible event so full of Life, Love and Colour. Well done to 'everyone' for organising and taking part.

16 July

Chairman attended 100 years Battle YPRES - Memorial Service, St Thomas Square. Newport.

Councillor Lora Peacey-Wilcox
Chairman of the Isle of Wight Council