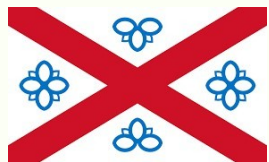




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MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN PENRITH

NEWSLETTER

PENRITH TOWN COUNCIL

UNIT 1, CHURCH HOUSE,
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MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL

15 July 2019

23 September 2019

25 November 2019 -

Meetings start at 6:00pm and are usually held at the Penrith Parish Centre, St. Andrews.

July 2019

Planning Committee -

8th July - 2.00pm

Committee meetings are usually held at the Penrith Town Council Office in the Board Room.

**Members of the Public
are welcome to attend all
formal
Council and Committee
meetings.**

CITIZENSHIP



The Mayor's medal is presented to persons who have, in the opinion of the serving Mayor, made important and significant contributions to Penrith.

Councillor Doug Lawson, Mayor of Penrith and Scout Leader was pleased to present a Mayors Medal to Mr Michael Freeman for his service to Scouting as the Group Scout Leader of the 2nd Penrith Scouts. The group has thrived under his leadership in the last 6 years. Mr Freeman had considerably strengthened the Groups Executive Committee by recruiting parents into the Leader team, inspired others to become involved on an occasional basis, re-opened the second Beaver and Cub Sections and founded a

second Scout Troop. As a result of the programmes Mr Freeman encouraged

Leaders to provide, the Group now has waiting lists for and the Group has integrated more into the activities of the community.

The Mayor hoped that Mr Freemans legacy will inspire others to make a difference, by helping to improve our town and by showing that we 'Love Where They Live.

THE CITIZEN AWARD

Do you know someone whose activities help to enrich the lives of the residents of Penrith?

This award is given to people who have made a positive difference to the lives and well-being of people and the quality of life in Penrith, who have supported charitable or voluntary work, volunteered for the Town Council or who have demonstrated outstanding citizenship.

Nominations forms are available from the Town Council office. and website.

www.penrithtowncouncil.co.uk



If you would like to meet with any of your Councillors, please contact the office and make an appointment by calling 01768 899 773 or email office@penrithtowncouncil.co.uk. Your ward councillor details can be found on our website.



After a successful year in 2018, when Penrith gained a number of prestigious regional and national awards, the town is gearing up for the 2019 'in bloom' Competitions.

Cumbria in Bloom judges will visit the town on 2nd July, while Britain in Bloom judges will tour Penrith a month later, on 2nd August. They will assess horticultural and environmental achievements as well as the level of community participation.

Penrith Town Council is absolutely delighted to be co-ordinating the town's entries, and is extremely proud of the community groups, businesses, schools and local residents who together are creating hugely imaginative projects to make Penrith blossom in 2019.

taking part in the 'in Bloom' competitions provided the initial impetus for residents and businesses in Great Dockray to come together and make the best of their immediate area. At the outset, the group adopted the flower beds and added extra flower planters. Inspired by how well these efforts turned out, the group decided to raise community pride even higher by approaching the Richard III Society for information to enable them to combine heritage and horticultural themes around the medieval King, who lived at Penrith Castle and also for a short time at Dockray Hall. The Society have provided information leaflets about Richard 111 and will give a talk about his involvement with the 'Princes in the Tower' in Penrith Library on 12th July. White 'David Austin' roses have been planted in the flower beds and medieval banners related to King Richard's time have been hung from buildings. Businesses in Angel Lane have also been enthused and have now created their own displays. Visitors to the town are enjoying the wonderful displays created by the Garden of Eden Community gardeners at Penrith Train Station. They are also growing edibles and other plants at Stricklandgate, the Salvation Army and the Polytunnel.



St Catherine's School is among local schools now involving pupils in growing and learning about edibles, while a local resident in Carleton Hall Walk has been motivated by the Community Gardeners to plant her own garden with blooms and edibles, and is encouraging neighbours and local children to get involved in learning about horticulture, edibles and the environment. She is also sharing produce with others. Penrith BID is again encouraging local businesses to sponsor beautiful planters and hanging baskets in the town.

Pride in the community is what underpins all the town's 'in bloom' projects, and the hope is that more local people will get involved in helping to make Penrith the most beautiful town in Cumbria, so raising community spirit higher and building even more pride in the town.

