



# TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

REPORT 42/24

14 OCTOBER 2024

The purpose of this Report is to record developments since the last meeting not requiring an Agenda item at this meeting.

## NO. DETAILS

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### 1) SUMMER EVENTS 2024

Ventnor Day took place on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> August in Ventnor Park. Thanks to all those who took part and those who provided assistance on the day. The Business and Community Committee will consider arrangements for 2025.

Ventnor Carnival took place during the second week of August 2024.

The inaugural Pirate Fest also took place during the second week of August 2024.

The Fell Running took place over the weekend of 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> September. Thanks to all those who volunteered for this event.

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### 2) REALLY USEFUL THURSDAYS

Ventnor Town Council and partner agencies have been attending the monthly 'Really Useful Thursdays' sessions at St. Catherine's Church. Previously called 'Ventnor Our Place', the event brings together groups from the local voluntary and community sector with Island-wide agencies. Organisations invited include Citizen's Advice, Age UK, Southern Water, Health Watch, Diabetes Group IOW, Living Well & Early Help, Veteran's Outreach Support, Sight for Wight, Baby Box Isle of Wight, Green IOW, Solutions4Health and our local PCSO. There is also a Mayor's Surgery drop-in session with either – Steve Cooper (Mayor) or Steph Toogood (Deputy Mayor) from 12.30-1.30pm. The remaining dates for 2024 are Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November and Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December.

The event also includes our weekly Thursday Kitchen. A group of volunteers have come together to offer a free lunch every Thursday as a part of the Town Council's Warm Spaces scheme. This has been running every week since the beginning of 2023.

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### 3) PUBLIC SPACES PROTECTION ORDER

Ventnor Town Council held a consultation regarding the matter of Dogs on Beaches which is one aspect of the Public Spaces Protection Order that had lapsed. The Isle of Wight Council has now launched a consultation about its plans to renew the Public Spaces Protection Order with regard to Dog Controls. Residents can complete a survey by visiting the Isle of Wight Council website. The link can also be found in the relevant news article on the Ventnor Town Council website.

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