





Morecambe Town Council delivered its first free event of the year on the 12th and 13th February at the Town Hall, Euston Road and Regent Park in the West End. The weekend event was sponsored by the Government's Welcome Back Fund and despite the heavy rain was a great success and attracted over 3000 people. Photographs and videos are available to view on the Town Council's Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/MorecambeTC](https://www.facebook.com/MorecambeTC).

Further events funded by the Welcome Back Fund will be taking place on the 26th March with the "Spring Into Morecambe" artisan street market on Euston Road from 10.00am to 5pm with street entertainers taking part from 1.00pm to 5pm. The market will be followed in the evening by a DJ roadshow, Firework and laser show at the Stone Jetty from 6pm to 8pm (with fireworks starting at 7.30pm).

All events are free so please come and join us!





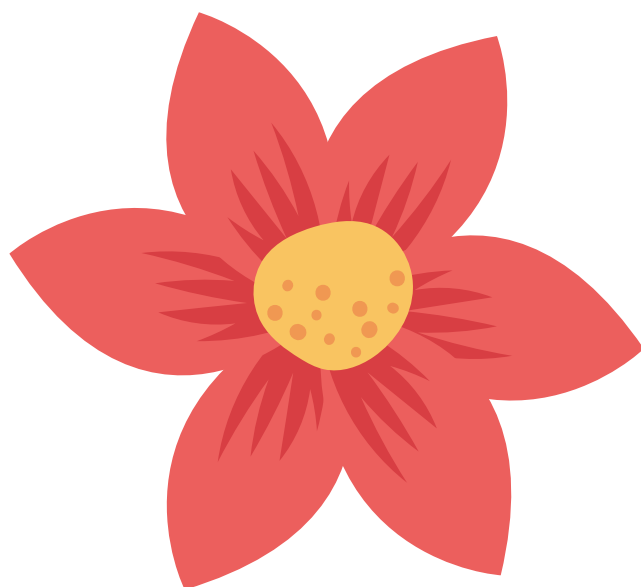
# MORECAMBE IN BLOOM

We are pleased to announce that after a two-year hiatus, the Morecambe in Bloom competition will return this year.

Entry forms can be downloaded from the website and returned by email to [events@morecambe.gov.uk](mailto:events@morecambe.gov.uk) or a hard copy can be collected from Morecambe Town Hall (Thursday – Friday from 10am – 3pm).

All entrants will receive a copy of the judging criteria for the category that they enter.

The closing date for entries is the 30th June and judging will take place at the end of July / beginning of August.



## COMMUNITY GRANTS

The Council set a grant budget of £52,639 this year to support local charities and not-for-profit organisations.

The Council is pleased to announce it has awarded a grant of £10,000.00 to the Cancer Care Charity to enable funding for over 300 therapy sessions for people affected by Cancer in the Morecambe area.

A grant of £5,000.00 has also been awarded to Morecambe Bay Foodbank to continue to provide food parcels to vulnerable families in the Morecambe area.

If you would like to apply for a grant from Morecambe Town Council, please visit [www.morecambe.gov.uk/community-grants/](http://www.morecambe.gov.uk/community-grants/) or collect a hard copy from Morecambe Town Hall (Thursday – Friday from 10am – 3pm).



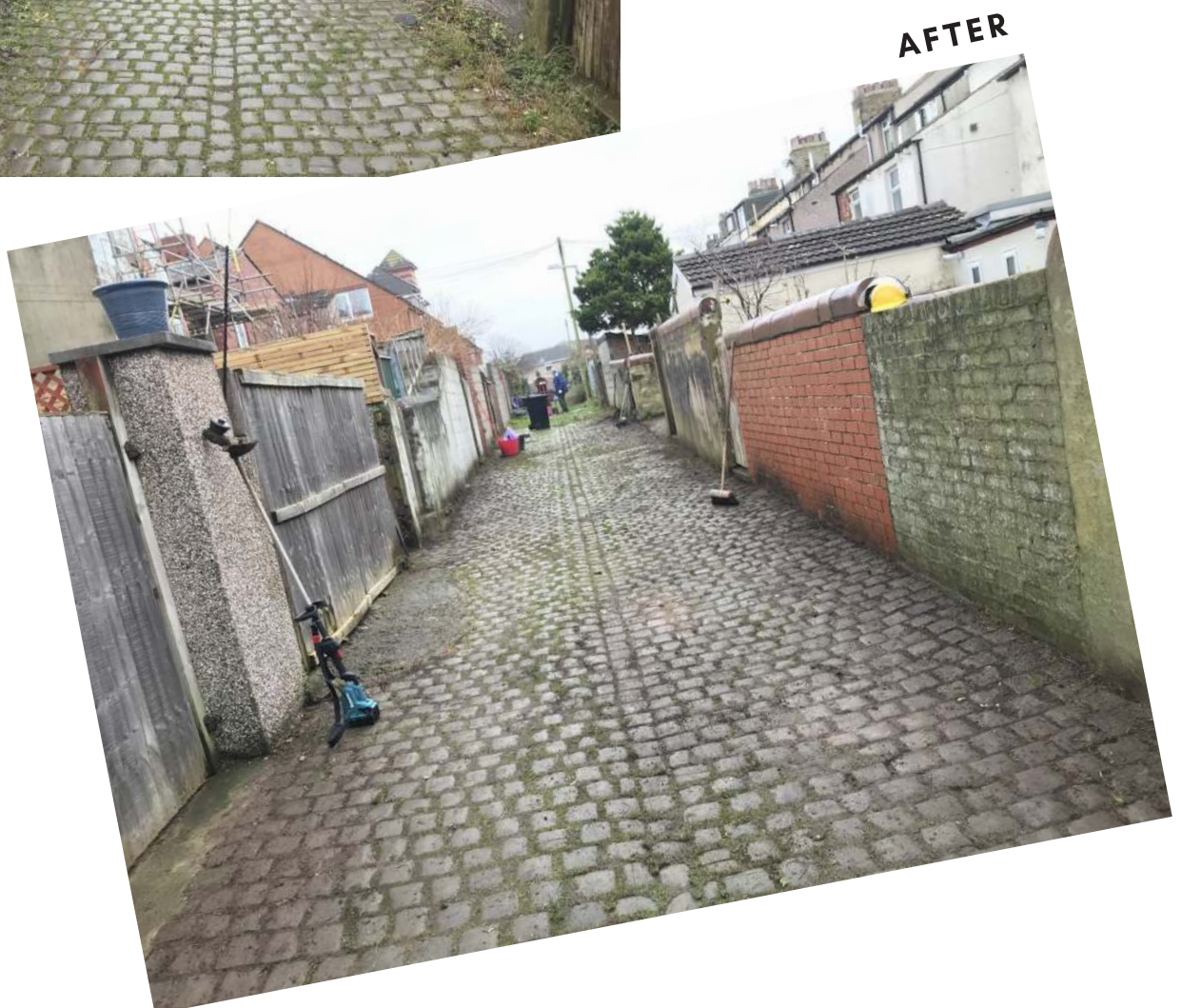
# CLEANING UP MORECAMBE!

Morecambe Town Council has committed itself to cleaning up the town and recently employed two operatives to undertaking weeding and litter picking in each ward.

Throughout February the grounds team worked clearing back alleys, streets and open spaces of weeds, rubbish, and fly tipping.

Please help keep Morecambe clean and tidy by disposing of your waste and rubbish responsibly.

Please report any fly tipping to Lancaster City Council on 01524 582491.





# WE WANT YOU!

## We want YOU to join our team!

Morecambe Town Council is currently recruiting and we would love to hear from positive, community-minded individuals who wish to join our team. Opportunities currently include:

Groundsperson

Admin Support and Projects Officer

For more information and a recruitment pack, please visit:  
[www.morecambe.gov.uk/recruitment/](http://www.morecambe.gov.uk/recruitment/)



## BUDGET 2022-2023

The Town Council sets its annual precept as part of the Council Tax collected from residents to help pay for the services provided by the Council.

The Council has set its precept for a Band D property in 2022-2023 at £44.11 per annum, or £0.85 per week. This can be compared with neighbouring towns such as Carnforth which has a Band D precept of £54.54.

The Council believes this payment represents good value for money when taking into consideration all the additional services provided for Morecambe by the Town Council, including:

- Support for art projects across the Town;
- Weeding and litter picking on pavements and backstreets;
- Hosting of regular events and festivals for residents;
- Ownership of North Heysham Allotments;
- Assisting local group to apply for financial support through grants;
- Working with volunteers and stakeholders to better understand the needs of the community;
- Improvements to open spaces;
- Management and operation of Morecambe in Bloom competition;
- Development of Morecambe's Neighbourhood Plan;
- Support for Morecambe Sparkle;
- Lobbying other authorities for better outcomes for Morecambe and acting as Morecambe's voice on many issues;
- Funding staff resource to support the community with positions such as the Community Engagement Officer to ensure Morecambe is a strong and resilient community.

In addition to the above, there are also various statutory obligations the Council must fulfil which incur additional costs. Such expenditure includes payments for audits and by-elections.

Town Councillors receive no form of salary or allowances and give freely of their time. A full budget report can be found on the website at: [www.morecambe.gov.uk/council-agendas-and-minutes-2021-2022/](http://www.morecambe.gov.uk/council-agendas-and-minutes-2021-2022/)

# YOUR COUNCILLORS

Please contact the councillor(s) for your ward if you have any issues you would like to raise. A map of each ward can be found by visiting:

[www.lancaster.gov.uk/the-council-and-democracy/voting-and-elections/ward-maps](http://www.lancaster.gov.uk/the-council-and-democracy/voting-and-elections/ward-maps)

Councillor	Ward	Email
Cllr Cary Matthews (Chairman)	Poulton Ward	<a href="mailto:cary.matthews@morecambe.gov.uk">cary.matthews@morecambe.gov.uk</a>
Cllr Paul Anderton (Vice Chairman)	Torrisholme Ward	<a href="mailto:paul.anderton@morecambe.gov.uk">paul.anderton@morecambe.gov.uk</a>
Cllr June Ashworth	Bare North Ward	<a href="mailto:june.ashworth@morecambe.gov.uk">june.ashworth@morecambe.gov.uk</a>
Cllr Alex Ashworth	Bare North Ward	<a href="mailto:alex.ashworth@morecambe.gov.uk">alex.ashworth@morecambe.gov.uk</a>
Cllr John Bates	Torrisholme Ward	<a href="mailto:john.bates@morecambe.gov.uk">john.bates@morecambe.gov.uk</a>
Cllr Mariusz Balcer	Harbour Ward	<a href="mailto:marius.balcer@morecambe.gov.uk">marius.balcer@morecambe.gov.uk</a>
Cllr Ava Balcer	Harbour Ward	<a href="mailto:ava.balcer@morecambe.gov.uk">ava.balcer@morecambe.gov.uk</a>
Cllr Vicky Boyd-Power	Heysham North Ward	<a href="mailto:vicky.boyd-power@morecambe.gov.uk">vicky.boyd-power@morecambe.gov.uk</a>
Cllr Catherine Pilling	Harbour Ward	<a href="mailto:catherine.pilling@morecambe.gov.uk">catherine.pilling@morecambe.gov.uk</a>
Cllr Patricia Clarke	Heysham North Ward	<a href="mailto:patricia.clarke@morecambe.gov.uk">patricia.clarke@morecambe.gov.uk</a>
Cllr Ian Clift	Westgate Ward	<a href="mailto:ian.clift@morecambe.gov.uk">ian.clift@morecambe.gov.uk</a>
Cllr Glenys Dennison	Bare North Ward	<a href="mailto:glenys.dennison@morecambe.gov.uk">glenys.dennison@morecambe.gov.uk</a>
Cllr Roger Dennison	Torrisholme Ward	<a href="mailto:roger.dennison@morecambe.gov.uk">roger.dennison@morecambe.gov.uk</a>
Cllr Jason Firth	Westgate Ward	<a href="mailto:jason.firth@morecambe.gov.uk">jason.firth@morecambe.gov.uk</a>
Cllr Jake Goodwin	Westgate Ward	<a href="mailto:jake.goodwin@morecambe.gov.uk">jake.goodwin@morecambe.gov.uk</a>
Cllr Janice Hanson	Harbour Ward	<a href="mailto:janice.hanson@morecambe.gov.uk">janice.hanson@morecambe.gov.uk</a>
Cllr Tricia Heath	Poulton Ward	<a href="mailto:tricia.heath@morecambe.gov.uk">tricia.heath@morecambe.gov.uk</a>
Cllr Jim Pilling	Lune Drive Ward	<a href="mailto:jim.pilling@morecambe.gov.uk">jim.pilling@morecambe.gov.uk</a>
Cllr Margaret Pattison	Out Moss Lane Ward	<a href="mailto:margaret.pattison@morecambe.gov.uk">margaret.pattison@morecambe.gov.uk</a>
Cllr David Whitaker	Harbour Ward	<a href="mailto:david.whitaker@morecambe.gov.uk">david.whitaker@morecambe.gov.uk</a>
Cllr Paul Hart	Poulton Ward	<a href="mailto:paul.hart@morecambe.gov.uk">paul.hart@morecambe.gov.uk</a>
Cllr Gerald Blaikie	Bare South East Ward	<a href="mailto:gerald.blaikie@morecambe.gov.uk">gerald.blaikie@morecambe.gov.uk</a>
Cllr Louise Stansfield	Heysham North Ward	<a href="mailto:louise.stansfield@morecambe.gov.uk">louise.stansfield@morecambe.gov.uk</a>
Cllr Bill Jackson	Westgate Ward	<a href="mailto:bill.jackson@morecambe.gov.uk">bill.jackson@morecambe.gov.uk</a>

## Election Notices

An election has been called for a vacancy in the Bare South West Ward. A poll will be taken on Thursday 31 March 2022 between the hours of 7:00am and 10:00pm at Great Wood School, Beaufort Road, Morecambe, LA4 6UB. Statement of Persons nominated can be found overleaf.

# STATEMENT OF PERSONS NOMINATED AND NOTICE OF POLL

Morecambe Town Council

## Election of a Town Councillor

The following is a statement of the persons nominated for election as a Town Councillor for

Morecambe Town Council - Bare South West Ward

Name of Candidate	Home Address	Description (if any)	Name of Assentors Proposer(+) Seconder(++)	Reason why no longer nominated *
FORSTER Phil	59 Thornton Road, Morecambe, LA4 5PD	Liberal Democrat	Jenkinson Antony P + Fletcher Maureen ++	
KNIGHT Sarah Elizabeth	90 Broadway, Morecambe, LA4 5XY	Morecambe Bay Independents	Lockwood Doreen L + Hardwick Karen J ++	
TYLER Thomas Michael	(address in Lancaster)	Labour Party	Butterworth Amanda G + Bracegirdle Kieran S ++	

\*Decision of the Returning Officer that the nomination is invalid or other reason why a person nominated no longer stands nominated.

The persons above against whose name no entry is made in the last column have been and stand validly nominated.

A POLL WILL BE TAKEN on Thursday 31 March 2022 between the hours of 7:00am and 10:00pm.

Dated Friday 4 March 2022

Mark Davies  
Returning Officer

# *Spring into Morecambe*



**Saturday 26th March**

**Artisan street market  
and entertainment  
Euston Road 10am-5pm**

**Fireworks and laser show  
The Stone Jetty  
Fireworks start at 7.30pm**

Welcome Back Fund



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European Regional  
Development Fund

