

January 2026 Report from the Mayor, Cllr Vicky Johns

07.12.25 - Silver Band Christmas concert; I was delighted to be invited to attend this concert, held in the Institute it was wonderful and so lovely to see so many youngsters taking part. The was full with residents listening to the festive music.

11.12.25 - Lord Coleridges funeral at the Church, it was very well attended and beautifully done.

15.12.25 - Community infrastructure meeting

15.12.25 - Planning meeting

22.12.25 - Council afternoon tea get together at the council offices to thank all those volunteers etc who help the town. Thanks to all those who attended and particularly to Kerry and Jane for hosting and providing the refreshments

06.01.26 - Planning meeting

07.01.26 - Community safety meeting

08.01.26 - HR meeting

All meetings are minuted and available on the Council website.

The Christmas lights have again been well received with so many positive comments from business owners and residents, I have also received comments from other towns saying how lovely they look. We are also so lucky to have the Christmas tree outside the library, donated, put up decorated and taken down by Otter Garden Centre.

With many changes coming up there will be lots of work to do but if we share the workload amongst the councillors I'm sure we will manage. Please remember the Clerk and admin staff do a phenomenal job and although they work for the council their workload is already high so if you receive an email asking for a response please do respond as chasing people up takes valuable time.

Stay safe,

Vicky