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This newsletter is produced to help keep Prescot Residents up to date with the activities of the council, and local events of public interest. If you represent a local community organisation, or philanthropic group, and you would like to be featured in our next edition please send us your communication and we will do our best to accommodate you. Please be advised, inclusion will be on a first come first served basis.

Prescot Community Recognition Awards

Prescot has a rich tradition as a Town with a strong community, sometimes the efforts of particular individuals and groups stand out as being above and beyond that of a usual citizen. These groups and individuals are not always aware of the positive impact they can have, on both individuals and the wider community, and can go largely unsung for their actions.

In order to recognise these individuals and the positive contribution they make to the lives of others, the Town Council would like to introduce the Prescot Community Recognition Awards.

If there is somebody that you know, whom you believe has made a valuable difference, to you or the wider community in your area, please complete a nomination form and return it to the Town Council by the 30th April 2017 as a Microsoft Word document, or call in at the Town Hall to pick one up. . Nomination forms are available to download through the Town Council's website <http://prescottowncouncil.com/>



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LOVE PRESCOT



The LOVE PRESCOT website was originally created as part of the wider LOVE PRESCOT campaign, by members of the town's Heritage, Leisure and Culture Group (HLC Group). The Group is made up of representatives from Town Centre businesses, leisure and community groups, Prescot Town Council and Knowsley Council. Initial funding for the site was provided in 2015 by Prescot Town Council, Knowsley Council, Knowsley Safari Park and Prescot Shopping Centre. The HLC group are currently bringing the site up to date for a relaunch in April 2017. Because of the positive impact a well maintained site could have on the Town it has been agreed that the site will now be administered by staff at the Town Council. The site itself provides both residents and visitors with up to date information about the visitor offer in Prescot particularly the comprehensive events programme and details of shops and other businesses in the Town, along with other recreational opportunities such as our latest Museum exhibitions. You can visit the site at <https://loveprescot.co.uk/> if you have a local event or business that is not on the site please provide your details to enquiries@prescot-tc.gov.uk and we will update the site asap.

Love Prescot Stall from summer 2016 located in Eccleston Street.



Funding application for Eaton Street Park

“Over the last 6 years the Town Council have invested over £103,000 into Eaton Street and Browns Field, each year more monies are allocated to the development of the Town’s greenspaces ”

Prescot Town Council are the only local council in Knowsley to retain the tradition of a local carnival for residents. All Town Council events are supported by Town Councillors who volunteer their time to help make the events a success.

Prescot Town Council hold leases on both of the Parks in the Town. Over the last 6 years the Town Council have invested over £103,000 into Eaton Street and Browns Field. Attracting external funding is a lot more challenging during times of austerity, and is made a little easier at Eaton Street as the Park benefits from an active Friends Group that are able to provide support to the Town Council’s funding applications.

As a result of this, the Town Council have recently submitted another funding application to the National Lottery’s Awards for All programme. The Town Council have applied for the maximum allocation of £10,000 and will look to contribute a further £3,000 with the Friends of Eaton Street contributing £950. If successful, the money will be used to install a green gym, carry out some footpath works, install signage and carry out a programme of events on site. An image of a green gym can be seen below.



Prescot Summer Events Programme

For a Town of its size, Prescot truly has an events programme like no other. The Prescot Festival has been running for 13 years and is a cultural extravaganza that lasts for 10 days in June. The festival provides a range of musical and other entertainment for the enjoyment of all. Highlights for this year include the Chilled Lemons Jazz Quintet and at great effort the Band of the Yorkshire Regiment. For the past 2 summers, the grounds around St Mary’s Church and the Church itself have played host to a variety of performances from Shakespeare’s celebrated catalogue, this year it’s the Tempest, book your tickets soon, as performances tend to sell out quickly. Both Prescot Town Council and KMBC put on events throughout the year, with the Town Council providing the Prescot Carnival and Christmas Light Switch on, while KMBC keep the Town’s Tudor history alive with the Elizabethan Fayre in May. A full list of events within the Town is available through the Love Prescot Website <https://loveprescot.co.uk/>

Can Bowling Improve Your Longevity ?

Crown Green Bowling has been in existence since the Elizabethan Times, with Sir Francis Drake famously finishing his match before seeing off the Spanish Armada, or was it Boules?. Either way the sport is a popular past time for many, and Prescotians are spoiled for choice with three greens in the town. The health benefits of Bowling may not be immediately apparent given its relatively slow pace when compared to more intensive sports, however at the commanding age of 92, Mr William (Billy) Green of Prescot, could well be an inspiration and example to us all.

Mr Green who bowls at Eaton Street Park with his friends has been bowling for since he was 14 years old. Mr Green was quick to extoll the benefits of the sport, not only the physical activity, but also the social opportunities it provides.

Quote : ‘Bowling is not just good for you physically, but it gives you the chance to meet new people , and get out and about and have a laugh, its better than medicine’

Facilities at Eaton Street Park



Prescot Older Peoples Club

Prescot Older People’s Club continues to go from strength to strength, with between 30 and 40 older residents attending every Wednesday, to get a hot meal, and take part in some activities. Last year the club arranged 4 coach trips, buddying up with a similar club from Halewood, taking 50 older people for days out, from a barge in Chester in summer, to Blackpool Illuminations and the Christmas Markets in Birmingham. More trips will take place this year.

