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This is the first edition of our quarterly newsletter. Its purpose is to 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. Nomination forms are available to download through the Town Council's website <http://prescottowncouncil.com/> as a Microsoft Word document, or call in at the Town Hall to pick one up.



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## Another successful Christmas Light Switch On

Hundreds gathered in Eccleston Street to see Cllr David Friar - Mayor of Prescot, and Miss Prescot (Kirsty Hornby) Switch on the Town Centre Christmas Lights.

The event was a great success, including performances from Nichola Western and Sadie Wilson, winners of Prescot's Got Talent (over and under 16's respectively), Jan Williams Theatre School showcased their skills

on stage, and MATE Community Choir topped off performances. The event was capped off with the Mayor and Miss Prescot giving away 300 selection packs to the local children.

The Town Council would like to thank Prescot Town Team and Market Village for helping to fund the Event, and VIVARK for sponsoring the Town Centre Christmas Tree.

**Cllr David Friar (Mayor of Prescot) and Kirsty Hornby (Miss Prescot) Switch on the Christmas Lights.**





## Mayor of Prescott's Charity Christmas Concert

On Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2016 420 people were welcomed into Prescott Parish Church for the annual Mayor of Prescott's Charity Christmas concert. St Mary & St Paul's Primary School Year 3 Choir, Knowsley Ladies Choir, Evelyn Community Primary School and Staff Choirs, Prescott Parish Church Choir, and Brassworks Quintet, all delighted the audience with their musical contributions. Three congregational carols ensured that the audience also played their part in the festive celebration. The evening concluded with mince pies and shortbread, but not before Prescott Festival's Artistic Director, Dr Robert Howard, was awarded an Exceptional Service Award by Revd. Canon John Taylor on behalf of the British Arts Festival Association. This was in recognition of his exceptional and innovative work in founding the Prescott Festival, and sustaining it for over ten years. The concert raised £1112.45 for the Mayor of Prescott's Charities.

## Brown's Field Park Developments

In order to progress the Brown's Field master plan, the Town Council have recently commissioned a package of site investigation works. Brown's Field is a very old site, and has had a number of other functions in the past, before being used as a public open space, these included an allotment and water treatment works. Therefore it is a requirement under planning legislation to carry out appropriate investigation works to ensure the site is suitable for the proposed developments i.e. drainage schemes for the football pitches, extended footpaths etc. Once the investigation is completed the results will inform a planning application.



View from the South East Corner of the Park

*"Delivery of the full Master Plan has been estimated at a total cost of £1 million and would see the park cater for a wide variety of activities"*

## Prescot Hockey Club

Established in 1952 as part of the BICC Sports section. The club hosted Great Britain International matches from 1985 to 1988, including GBs final warm-up games before winning Great Britain's hockey GOLD medal at 1988 Olympics! The club has had a lot of success over the last 20 years including Mens,

Womens, Mixed, Juniors and Vintage hockey winning sides. Prescot won Merseyside Sports Club of the Year in 2007 and are seen as a beacon club by England Hockey. Current North West Division 3 Champions and Summer League Champions. Prescot HC now run various men, ladies and junior teams and travel all

over the North West and the UK playing competitive hockey, our juniors have played for Lancashire and North of England this year. For more information find us at [www.prescothockeyclub.com](http://www.prescothockeyclub.com), Twitter and Facebook. Training is Wednesdays from 7pm (under 16s) and 8pm (over 16s) at Sutton Leisure Centre. New members very welcome especially over 35s looking to play hockey again.



Golborne Summer Tournament winners & runners up

## Friends of Eaton Street

The Friends of Eaton Street Park have had a very busy year. Having already held a picnic in the Park event in July, they then held a sell out Christmas party at Prescott Cables, with a live band and a hotpot sup-

per, to raise funds for the future development of the Park. Finally, to end a very successful year, they organized Father Christmas to attend the park on the 17th and 18th of December at the Pavilion, to yet another sell out

crowd. The local community were invited to bring their children and grand children to visit Father Christmas in his Grotto, to receive a gift and meet Mrs Claus at the Elves workshop. Finally decorating their own individual cake, before taking home some Reindeer food for Rudolph and his pals. The group (all volunteers) put a lot of time and effort into the events to bring a magical experience to the community of Prescott, both young and old. Plans for next year are already well under way.

## By Election Called for Prescot East Ward

Following the Town Council meeting in November 2016 a position for a Town Councillor in Prescot East Ward has arisen. A By Election has been called and has now been set for **9th February 2017**. If you are a resident within Prescot East Ward you will have received a polling card containing the address of the polling station at which you can cast your vote. Town Councils are the grass roots of local democracy, and the Town Council would urge you to visit a polling the station, as advised on your polling card, and cast your vote on the **9th February 2017**.