

PRESCOT TOWN COUNCIL

Prescot

Town Council



Annual Report

2023/2024

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Statement from the Mayor of Prescot

I was born and raised in Prescot, and so it was a huge honour to serve as Mayor of Prescot for the 2023/24 civic year. During my year as Mayor, I was privileged to meet many amazing people and community groups who do outstanding work in our community. Whilst serving as Mayor, I really enjoyed delivering Prescot Town Council's Local Democracy Project in conjunction with other Town Councillors and Officers. The project seeks to teach year 6 pupils about the Town Council; encourage young people to realise that they can influence and shape their local area and hopefully inspire the next generation of local decision makers.

Additionally, I was honoured to be invited to numerous music concerts, festivals, carnivals, school activities and community events; and I feel privileged to have met so many diverse, inspirational and talented people both from within our town and further afield. I would like to say a huge thank you to all the people and businesses who have supported me throughout my time as Mayor – those who have given money or donated prizes, bought raffle tickets, took part in the Mayor's Lucky Squares Draw or supported my bingo nights. You have all been amazing and have not only directly supported my mayoral fundraising; but have helped make this year even more enjoyable! I would also like to thank the people who gave up their time to be my consort. A special thank you to a wonderful lady called Patricia Adams, who came all the way from South Africa to be my consort. Finally, I'd like to thank my husband Neil and daughter Ryher who have been by my side helping with all my fundraising events and supporting me in everything I do.

During my year as Mayor, I have raised £5,275.00 which I have decided to split between several local community groups:-

£3,000 to The Wheelchair Fund
£500 to The Friends of Eaton Street Park
£250 to Rydal Ward at Whiston Hospital
£250 to Breast Mates
£250 to Act for Action

£275 to Molyneux Drive Forestry School
£250 to Coming Together Group
£250 to The Friends of Prescot Cemetery
£250 to Spectrum Connect

Being Mayor has been a huge privilege and I wish the 2024/25 Mayor the best of luck and success.

Cllr Tracey Murray, Mayor of Prescot 2023/24



Statement from the Town Clerk

Hello again Prescotians,

For those who don't know me, my name is Alex Spencer, and I am the Clerk to Prescot Town Council. Believe it or not, it has been 12 months since we produced our last Annual Report, and this is the second report I've produced alongside your councillors and officers.

You may remember in our last report I spoke about finding my feet given that I was relatively new to the role – and I think it's fair to say that during 2023/24 I have continued to learn about the town, its fantastic residents and the huge number of partners who Council works alongside to ensure that Prescot continues to flourish.

A lot of work has happened behind the scenes during 2023/24 working with partners including Knowsley Council, Merseyside Police, the Prescot Business Club, Merseyside Youth Association, the Friends of Eaton Street Park and the Friends of Brown's Field – to name but a few – to deliver services locally. During 2024/25, I not only expect this work to continue, but firmly believe the look and feel of the Town Council will evolve to bring it even closer to Prescotians. This year, working alongside your Town Councillors, I have been proud to deliver our Local Democracy Project for a second time – teaching year 6 pupils about the roles of the town council and encouraging them to get involved in local decision making.

Encouragingly perhaps, I still get approached by pupils who have been through the project to say hello and remember snippets from their day at Prescot Town Hall – clearly demonstrating (to me at least) that pupils enjoyed their day and took something away from it. Working with councillors, officers and partners, I have been proud to deliver high profile events such as the Prescot Carnival, Christmas Cracker and Day of the Dead Samba Parade; in addition to specific projects such as the School Uniform Recycling Project, Winter Coats Projects and Community Skip Days – all directly delivered to help local need. I am equally proud to work alongside partners such as the Friends of Eaton Street Park, Friends of Brown's Field, the Park Pantry Community Food Group and the Friends of Carr Lane Fishing Pond who volunteer and work tirelessly year-round and, in all conditions, to support Prescotians and people further afield. These groups are a real inspiration, and officers are proud to support them.

Inwardly, Prescot Town Hall continues to thrive as a facility for holding functions, family occasions, meetings and group activities – with the income generated from these bookings helping to negate the need to raise Council's precept demand for a fifth consecutive year. I am committed to further improving Prescot Town Hall during 2024/25; and councillors have agreed a number of capital projects which will only improve the building and its facilities – thereby attracting Prescotians, businesses and wider groups to utilise this fantastic community building. Finally, it would be remiss of me to not convey Council's sadness at the loss of former Town Councillor, Town Clerk and Honorary Freeman of Prescot Daniel Wilson, who sadly passed away in March 2024. Dan provided unquantifiable advice and support to help me find my feet in this job; and as I said in last years' Annual Report – Dan's were literally and metaphorically sizeable shoes to fill. Hopefully, the work which he and Council set in train is not only being continued but improved; and will continue to do so in the years to come.

Alex Spencer

Town Clerk – Prescot Town Council

Statement from the Leader



I am very proud to have served as the Leader of Prescott Town Council in the year 2023-2024. The year was difficult for many in our community in terms of the ongoing cost of living and energy crisis. I would like to thank all of the community groups, volunteers and councillors who continue to provide support to our community to meet their needs. Prescotian community spirit shines bright and Prescott Town Council continues to support those supporting our community.

In this vein we have a Community Group Recognition afternoon in which the Councillors prepare the room, food and refreshments and acknowledge the work of our community groups by serving them 'afternoon tea.' Our Christmas Cracker Event brings our community together at the Town Hall for a free afternoon of fun for the family, as does our Senior Citizen afternoon tea, and of course our Prescott Carnival, delivered by Prescott Town Council has a strong focus on inclusivity with a large portion of the activities made free to our community! The Local Democracy Programme has now seen over 750 young people learn about the role of the council and I have to say, they have inspired all of the councillors and officers who deliver the sessions. Our Pro-active Councillors ensure our Event Calendar continues to grow and develop, because effective councils are about much more than meetings!

I am extremely pleased to tell you that our efforts to preserve and protect the environment by preventing landfill through our recycling projects, go from strength to strength and having initiated this and knowing the volunteer hours needed I am beyond proud of our work and consider us an exemplar to other councils. We have run the sixth year of our School Uniform Recycle Initiative, providing over 3000 school uniform items to our community from our designated School Uniform Recycle Shop which enables our residents to access uniform all year round. In addition, the Winter Coat Recycle Scheme initiative delivered over 700 Winter Coats to members of our community.

We continue to support Friends of Eaton Street Park with free use of the Town Hall if the weather is inclement during their free lunch and activity school holiday sessions and the Park Pantry Community Food Club who are based in our Eaton Street Park Pavilion to enable over one hundred families a week to access their resource. This past year we have again provided the venue for Prescott Mission Christmas Dinner Group to pack the Christmas Dinner Bags and be a collection point.

Jo Burke

Leader - Prescott Town Council

EVENT	LOCATION	ACTIVITIES	MONTH
Prescot Carnival	Brown's Field, Wood Lane, Prescot	An array of free activities comprised of bouncy castles, mini-golf, inflatables, football, go-karts, face painting, arts & crafts, large fun fair, a variety of performances including singers, dancers, martial arts, entertainers, and dog show. Trader stalls	June
Community Recognition Awards	Prescot Town Hall, Warrington Road, Prescot	The community recognition awards were introduced to celebrate the achievements and contributions of individuals and community groups across Prescot.	July
School Uniform Recycling Project	Prescot Town Hall, Warrington Road, Prescot	A project run in partnership between Prescot Town Council and the Friends of Eaton Street Park where donations of school uniform items are made and then redistributed within the community. The project focuses heavily upon recycling school uniform items to save them from landfill.	July/August
Winter Coat Recycling Scheme	Prescot Town Hall, Warrington Road, Prescot	A project run in partnership between Prescot Town Council and the Friends of Eaton Street Park where donations of winter coats are received and then redistributed within the community.	September



EVENT	LOCATION	ACTIVITIES	MONTH
Armistice Day Service	BICC Memorial, Prescott Cemetery, Manchester Road, Prescott.	Memorial Service for local residents organised by Prescott Town Council and supported by Prescott Parish Church, Our Lady Immaculate & St Joseph Church, the Friends of Prescott Cemetery and Churchyard and local schools	November
Prescot Christmas Cracker	Prescot Town Hall, Warrington Road, Prescott	Free event hosted by Prescott Town Council comprising of activities including snow globe, rodeo rides, teacups ride and facepainting. A variety of performances including singers and local school choirs. Free refreshments.	December
Senior Citizen Christmas Drop-in	Prescot Town Hall, Warrington Road, Prescott.	A free festive event for older persons, with council providing entertainment and free festive refreshments. These events provide an ideal opportunity to get to know local councillors and potentially form new friendship groups.	December

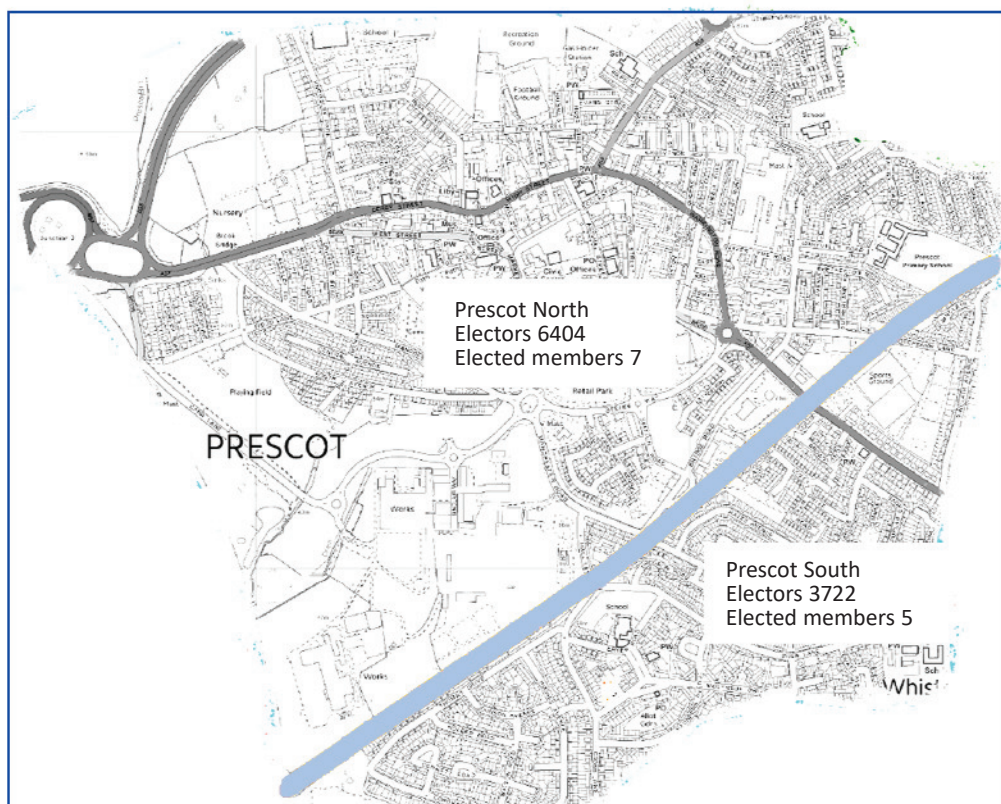
All events within this programme are paid for, delivered and staffed by
Prescot Town Council

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email enquiries@prescot-tc.gov.uk

Community Governance Review

Following the Community Governance Review of 2018 the Town was split into two electoral wards, Prescott North and Prescott South.

This warding arrangement follows that of Knowsley Metropolitan Borough Council, the Principal authority in Knowsley.



Elected Members

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In February 2023, Councillors resolved to freeze the town council precept for a fifth consecutive successive year. Setting a revenue expenditure budget of £364,598.08 for 2023/24, this means that every Band D equivalent property within the town would pay £88.66 per year – equating to £1.71 per week.

Council has built on its strong financial foundations during 2023/24.

The promotion of council facilities such as our function room at Prescot Town Hall helps to generate an income for Council – in 2023/24 this stood at £38,013. The number of people and community groups utilising conference facilities, meeting rooms and social spaces has also steadily increased in 2023/24 – helping to generate further incomes and negating the need for Council costs to be passed onto Prescotians through Precept rises.

Where budget underspends have been realised, Council has resolved that these are reinvested in both capital and revenue works – so as to keep facilities in good condition; and dedicated asset management works have been worked through during 2023/24 which have only improved council facilities.

Council has also continued to support community groups located within Prescot, or those outside the boundary of the town yet positively impacting the Prescot Community. Our Community Fund, which can be accessed by groups throughout the year, directly supported 11 groups who applied for funding – totalling almost £5,300.00 during 2023/24.

Council once again passed both internal audit and external audit scrutiny with flying colours during 2023/24 – with auditors recognising that secure systems are in place to ensure that public money is being spent as it should and not to excess. Recommendations identified within our auditors reports such as the development of a Reserves and Investment Strategy, are being worked through by officers – which will only strengthen and further Council's sound financial footing in 2024/25.

In an uncertain world owing to conflicts in Ukraine and the Middle East; and with rising interest rates nationally, where possible, Council has entered into agreements for utilities and services where costs have been tied in at the lowest rates possible – thereby ensuring that Council does not pay in excess and Prescotians are not adversely affected with a higher precept demand.

In conclusion, Council continues to build on the strong financial footing of previous years and given a robust system of internal and external control and scrutiny, Prescotians should feel confident that their precept demand is being spent in accordance with how Council has agreed.

Prescot Town Council

Income & Expenditure Account 2023/24



2022/23 £	<u>Income</u>	2023/24 £
326,171.00	Precept	338,060.58
42,500.00	Grants/Rate Refund	0.00
3,582.08	Public Open Space and Outdoor Provision	0.00
0.00	Administration	596.67
24,657.77	Town Hall Income	38,013.14
4,276.75	Interest	9,616.56
401,187.60	Total Income	386,286.95
	<u>Expenditure</u>	
22,119.61	Administration	30,235.62
80,536.62	Public Open Space and Outdoor Provision	50,087.74
64,115.65	Town Hall	81,490.61
8,768.10	Grants to Outside Bodies	8,132.85
-	Capital Payments	-
152,214.74	Salaries and Wages	168,774.47
327,754.72	Total Expenditure	338,721.29
	<u>Cummulative Fund Balance</u>	
281,421.02	Balance b/f at 01/04/23	354,853.90
401,187.60	Plus Total Income	386,286.95
327,754.72	Less Total Expenditure	338,721.29
354,853.90	Balance as at 31/03/2024	402,419.56



ACTIVITIES & EVENTS



Local Democracy Project 2023

Following the successful running of the Local Democracy Project last year, Council once again committed to inviting Year 6 school children from all 5 Prescot Primary Schools to the Town Hall for the day.

The aim of the project is to teach pupils about the roles and responsibilities of Prescot Town Council and empower them to realise that they too can influence what happens within their Town.

Delivered by both councillors and officers, our Local Democracy Project is a fun and interactive day where children take part in presentations, participate in a mock council meeting, discuss and debate what improvements can be made to our parks and open spaces; and even get to try on the Mayoral Chains of Office.

Upon completion of the project, all children are presented with a certificate by the Mayor – not only showing that they know what Prescot Town Council is here for, but to help inspire children to become the next generation of local decision makers.

Council has committed to re-running the project in 2024, and we look forward to welcoming more pupils to Prescot Town Hall for the day.



Prescot Carnival 2023

Prescot's biggest community event – The Prescot Carnival returned to Brown's Field in 2023.

Organised and ran by Prescot Town Council, the Carnival attracts around 5,000 residents and visitors every year – and this year was no exception.

A combination of completely free activities provided by the Town Council, Funfair, Stalls and entertainment in the shape of West Lancs Dog Display Team, Mr Tumble Liverpool, Urban Kingz Mixed Martial Arts and Urban Queenz Dance Squad all ensured an afternoon of family filled fun – even if things were brought to an abrupt end by the rain!

A fantastic day for everyone which will be returning in 2024!





Prescot Carnival 2023



Prescot Community Recognition Awards 2023

Council's Community Recognition Awards are a way for Council to recognise the invaluable contributions which individuals and community groups make to the town.

It is often the case that these contributions are provided wholly voluntarily and are done simply because people want to help others or want to benefit the town.

Following a nomination process whereby Council asks the public to put forward individuals or groups who have made an outstanding contribution to the town, winners are chosen by councillors who follow an agreed scoring criteria.

The Community Recognition Awards are Council's way of recognising and saying thank-you to individuals and groups from the community, voluntary and faith sectors who all work to help others and/or improve the town. These are treated to an afternoon lunch served by councillors and officers, before the winners are revealed!

Everybody cannot win, but everyone can be massively thanked for what they do, for improving lives and for making a difference in our town.

Prescot Citizen of the Year 2023 – Mr Jim Inglesby

Jim has run the Coming Together group at Prescot Guild Hall for over 5 years.

Everyone is welcome including anyone feeling isolated, alone or suffering from a long-term illness such as dementia or Parkinson's.

The group has approximately 80 members who take part in an afternoon of fun and coming together as a community.

The money raised from the group goes towards meals out, days out and Christmas Dinner.

Jim also ran his group online through COVID. He has run fundraising events for Parkinson's and dementia research the last one being held in May 2023.

Jim has also helped the Town Mayors run prize bingo by giving his time to call out the numbers and provide bingo tickets and entertain all. Jim goes above and beyond in everything he does for the group including organising trips, food and entertainment.





Prescot Community Group of the Year 2023 – The Park Pantry Community Food Club

The Park Pantry Community Food Club was set up around two years ago and is run by volunteers who care about our environment and preventing landfill. They access funding to also provide ingredients for a healthy family meal.

The volunteers shop for these ingredients and spend a whole day setting up and clearing away.

The volunteers are like friends and make time to talk with all the customers for some of which, this might be their only interaction all week.

There are approximately 60 – 95 customers every Wednesday. The shop opens at 11.30am after all deliveries but serves tea and toast to everyone waiting, demonstrating kindness and community spirit.



Uniform Recycling Project 2023

Councillor Joanne Burke initiated the School Uniform Recycling Project in 2019 with the aims of protecting and preserving the environment by reducing landfill, and to support families in the provision of school uniforms.

The Town Council works in partnership with the Friends of Eaton Street Park and uses our designated Community Recycle Shop at Prescot Town Hall to deliver the project, with 'action days' during July and August, however you can access uniform all year round by contacting Town Council Staff.

The continued growth and success of the project demonstrates the strong and growing recycling agenda and movement, with the Prescot community appearing to be leading the way in Knowsley. It certainly confirms that people's motivation to engage with recycling is increasing year on year and therefore fits the objectives of the project.



The project was able to support over 600 families with school uniform and recycled around 3,000 items of clothing to residents within Prescot, Knowsley and surrounding towns. The project relies heavily on the supply of donations from within the community which grows each year and is truly indicative of the strong community recycling spirit within Prescot.



Winter Coats Recycling Scheme 2023

Prescot Town Councillor Pat Cook initiated the Winter Coats Recycling Scheme in 2020 with the objective of recycling high quality adults and children's winter coats that were simply too good to be sent to landfill. The Town Council works in partnership with the Friends of Eaton Street Park to deliver this scheme.

We rely on the generous donations of winter coats from our local community which are then quality checked, sized and placed on rails by our volunteers. During the months of September/October Action Days are held at Prescot Town Hall's designated Recycle Shop with over 700 coats being rehomed to members of the community free of charge.

ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

Winter Warmer Hub 2023



The cost-of-living crisis has hit everyone hard, but Prescot Town Council and its partners have tried to ameliorate the effects as much as possible.

A massive thanks to the Friends of Eaton Street Park who this year ran the Winter Warmer Initiative from Prescot

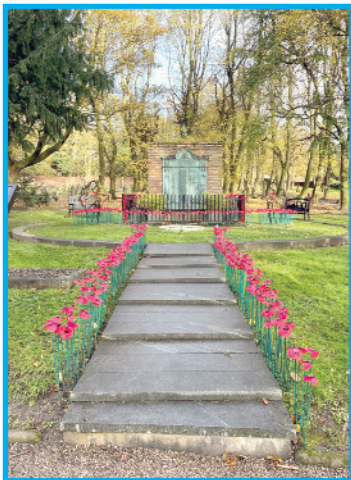
Town Hall each Monday – offering a warm, friendly space where residents could relax, have refreshments and interact with others.

Armistice Day 2023

Town Councillors and Council officers once again fell silent with the nation to mark Armistice Day as we quietly paused to remember those killed, injured or suffering in conflict both in the past and unfortunately the present.

Taking place at the BICC memorial in Prescot Cemetery at St Mary's Church, councillors and officers were joined by local clergy, the Friends of Prescot Cemetery & Churchyard, school children and residents to fall silent for two minutes on the 11th hour, of the 11th day of the 11th month, followed by light refreshments at Our Lady Immaculate & St Joseph Church.

Councillors and officers will once again pay their respects in 2024. Lest we forget.



Christmas Cracker 2023

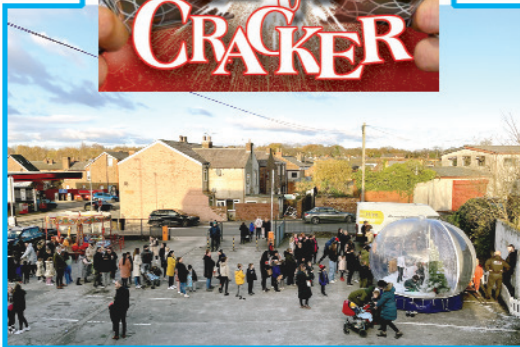
Council's Christmas Cracker Event was held at Prescott Town Hall for the second time this year and attracted hundreds of Prescotians – many of whom stayed for the whole day to enjoy an afternoon of family Christmas Fun.

This completely free event included live music performances from local school pupils and bands, face painting, fairground rides, tombola and even an inflatable snow globe.

Councillors and staff were on hand to serve teas, coffees, hot chocolates and cakes throughout the day too.

Massive thanks to all involved – especially volunteers from the Friends of Eaton Street Park, Friends of Molyneux Drive Woodland & Forestry Space, Green Fingers Allotment Plot and Friends of Browns Field who all supported the refreshments.

This year's event was a Cracker!!!



Senior Citizen Christmas Drop In 2023

In December, councillors hosted a senior citizen Christmas drop-in at Prescott Town Hall.

This was a completely free event for older people within the community, comprising of entertainment and festive refreshments served by town councillors and volunteers. The drop-in event provided an ideal opportunity for older people to get to know their local councillors and find out about how Prescott Town Council can support the Community.

Senior Citizen Christmas Drop In





Community Skip Days 2023

Prescot Town Council's Community Skip Days once again proved a massive success with residents for disposal of their unwanted items.

At the heart of these skip days is the idea that Prescot Town Council can support residents who may struggle to dispose of items owing to a lack of transport to local refuse centres or perhaps residents who are vulnerable, unwell or do not have adequate support in place to help.

Learning from previous years Council held two community skip days at Prescot Town Hall and St Pauls Church, Bryer Road.

To support both days, council sited eight, 8 tonne skips at each location and encouraged as many Prescotians as possible to dispose of their waste through this completely free scheme. To make the day run as smoothly as possible, before each community skip day, councillors leafleted households to make residents aware of the day and what items could be disposed of free of charge.

Massive thanks to Kirkby Skips for their support in siting and collecting skips on each day! Council is committed to further community skip days in 2024.





Prescot Cables Promotion

Congratulations to Prescot Cables Football Club who in May won promotion to the Northern Premier League Premier Division following a 2-0 win over rivals City of Liverpool in the playoff final.

The clubs Matchday Volunteer group were also recently awarded the Town Council's Community Recognition Award!



MAYORAL ENGAGEMENTS

It's been a busy year for Cllr Murray, who has attended almost 30 engagements representing Council as the First Person of Prescott, and the table below summarises these engagements.

During her time as Mayor, Cllr Murray has raised £5,275 for the Mayor's Charity – which she has decided to distribute amongst 9 local organisations.



May	No Events Attended
June	Prescot Town Council – Prescot Carnival Breakvision Hip Hop Event Prescot Elizabethan Fayre Prescot Festival - Leyland Brass Band Opening Night Prescot Festival - Primary Schools Choir Festival Prescot Festival - A Night at the Musicals with BOST
July	Prescot Town Council – Prescot Community Recognition Awards Als Arc – Opening of Reiki Room Prescot Primary School Conservation Exhibition Imaginarium Theatre – Performance of Taming of Shrew
August	Knowsley Council – Knowsley Flower Show
Sept.	GOC Commendation for British Army (Deputy Mayor) Annual General Meeting – Merseyside & West Lancs Teaching Hospital NHS Trust Prescot Photo Club – Open Eye, High Street Photos Celebration
Oct.	Our Lady Immaculate & St Joseph Catholic Church – Holy Mass to mark jubilee year
Nov.	Prescot Town Council - Armistice Day Service Knowsley Council - Civic Act of Remembrance Service Want That Dress - Charity Fashion Show Evelyn Community Primary School - 50th Anniversary Celebration Prescot Kumon - Annual Awards
Dec.	Prescot Town Council – Christmas Cracker Friends of Prescot Cemetery & Churchyard - Dedication of Christmas Tree Knowsley Council - Kings College Choir Christmas Concert Prescot Town Council - Senior Citizen Christmas Drop In Prescot Festival - Mayor of Prescot's Charity Christmas Concert Halewood Town Council - Sing into Christmas

MAYORAL ENGAGEMENTS



January	Knowsley Council - Memorial Stone unveiling ceremony
February	Shakespeare North Playhouse - Pride & Prejudice by Imaginarium Theatre
March	No mayoral engagements attended
April	Townsend Theatre Productions - Behold Ye Ramblers Play
May	No Events Attended



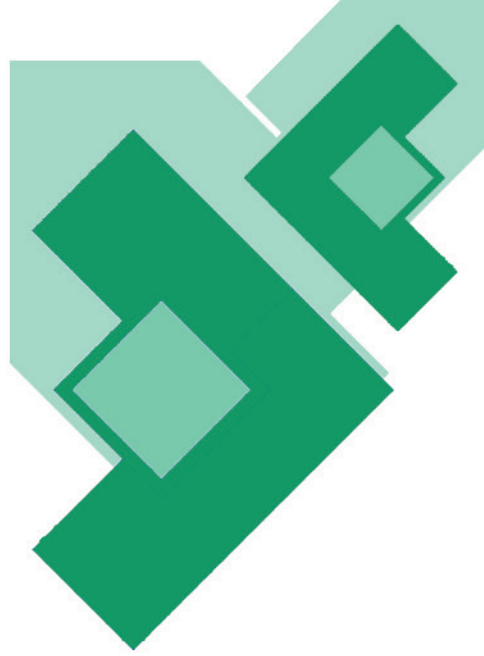
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COMMUNITY FUND



Each year, Prescot Town Council administers a community fund and invites applications from community organisations within the town, or those which are not within the confines of the town yet positively impact the Prescot Community. In 2023/24, the Community Fund Budget was set at £9,000.00.

Applications for funding can be for a maximum of £500.00 and are typically sought by organisations to support their work, a discrete project or perhaps a one-off cost.

To make our Community Fund fair and accessible to as many organisations as possible, Council has agreed guidelines for the type of work/projects falling within the scope of the fund; and has set out an application process which all applicants must adhere too.

Community Fund guidance notes and application forms can be accessed via this link:
<http://www.prescot-tc.gov.uk/grants-awards/> or by visiting Prescot Town Hall.

Month	Name of Community Group	Purpose	Amount Awarded
May	L35 Online	Gazebos Printed advertising flags	£ 489.00
June	Lady Margaret Bowling Club Friends of Prescott Cemetery & Churchyard	Bowling Green consumables Metal Apex Shed	£ 443.85 £ 500.00
July	No Applications received		00.00
August	No Applications received		00.00
September	Prescot Cables JFC Prescot Mission Christmas Friends of Molyneux Drive Woodland & Forestry Space	Aluminium Football Goals Meat Vouchers x 20 Materials & Storage	£ 500.00 £ 500.00 £ 500.00
October	No Applications received		00.00
November	Rotary Club of Prescot	Lighting & Sound Systems	£ 500.00
December	No Applications received		00.00
January	Greenfingers Community Allotment Plot	Plastic Shed	£ 500.00
February	Friends of Eaton Street Park	Refurbishment of storage space	£ 500.00
March	Innovate Volunteering CIC Knowsley Knerds	Defibrillator Board Games	£ 500.00 £ 250.00
April	No Applications received		00.00
TOTAL			£ 5,182.85

OPEN SPACES



Prescot Town Council holds two 99-year leases for King George V Memorial Playing Fields (known locally as Brown's Field) and Eaton Street Park. Both leases date back to 1991.

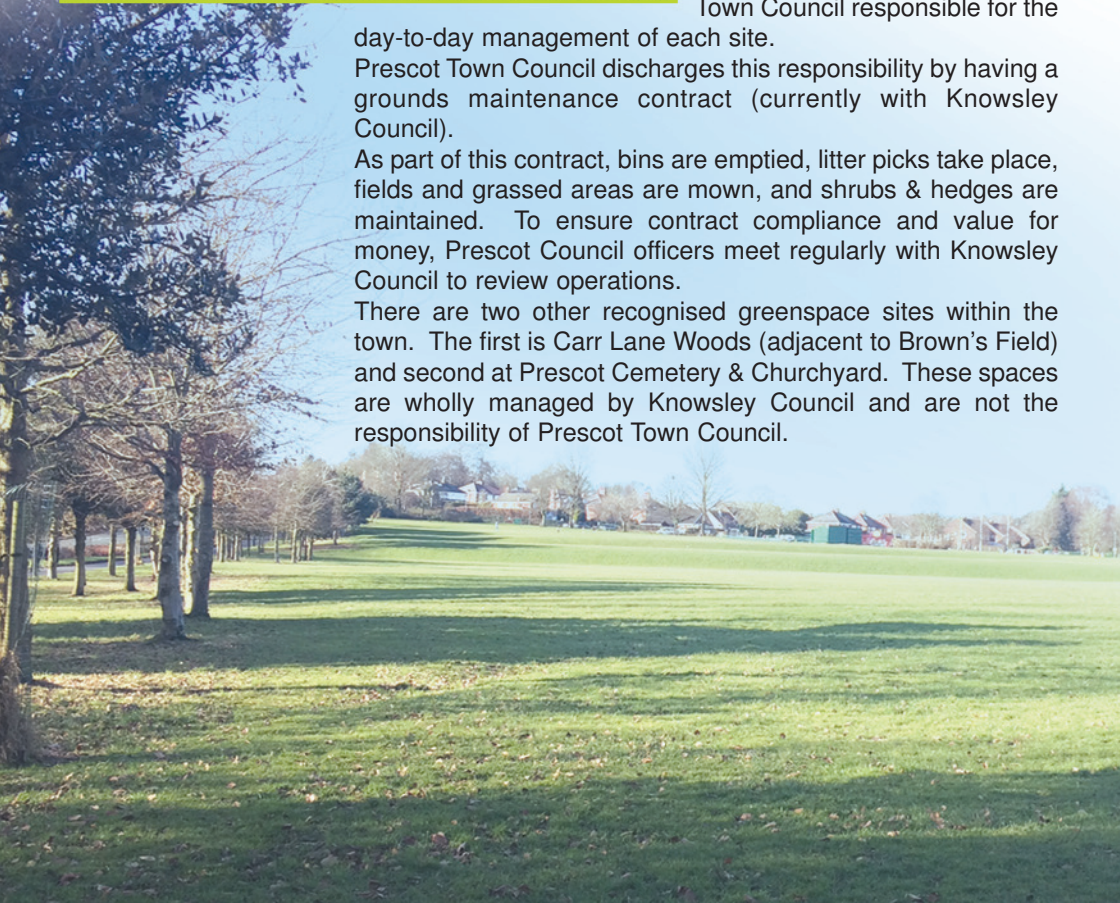
These leases make Prescot Town Council responsible for the

day-to-day management of each site.

Prescot Town Council discharges this responsibility by having a grounds maintenance contract (currently with Knowsley Council).

As part of this contract, bins are emptied, litter picks take place, fields and grassed areas are mown, and shrubs & hedges are maintained. To ensure contract compliance and value for money, Prescot Council officers meet regularly with Knowsley Council to review operations.

There are two other recognised greenspace sites within the town. The first is Carr Lane Woods (adjacent to Brown's Field) and second at Prescot Cemetery & Churchyard. These spaces are wholly managed by Knowsley Council and are not the responsibility of Prescot Town Council.



Brown's Field

King George V Memorial Playing Field (known locally as Brown's Field) is the largest public open space in Prescot.

During 2022-23, following partnership work between Prescot Town Council, Knowsley Council, the Friends of Brown's Field, Berkley FC, Veolia and Viridor, the children's play area was completely refurbished with over £148,000.00 of investment in new play equipment, safety surfacing, railings, furniture and landscaping, and during 2023-24, we have worked with Knowsley Council to make sure that play equipment continues to remain safe and vandalism free.

We have also worked closely with these partners

to discuss the potential for a purpose-built community facility to be built on this site; in addition to improving onsite football pitches currently maintained by Berkley FC.

The Council has worked alongside the Football Association and partners to secure £250,000.00 of investment, in addition to Knowsley Council committing £500,000.00 of S.106 investment which could see building commence in 2024/25 – primarily for the benefit of Berkley FC and the Friends of Browns Field, but also supporting the wider community who would be able to hire the facility.

Brown's Field was once again awarded Green Flag Status in 2023/24.





Eaton Street Park

Eaton Street Park is the second open space area for which Prescott Town Council has day-to-day management responsibility and is located adjacent to Prescott Cables FC.

The park benefits from a highly active and passionate “Friends of” group, who use the in-park pavilion as a base to deliver community events and projects throughout the year. The extensive range of projects delivered directly from the pavilion include:

- Uniform Recycling Project
- Winter coat Recycling Scheme
- Park pantry
- Spring and summer holiday activities for children
- Christmas grotto

In short, the park is all the more richer for the tireless work of the “Friends of” who are passionate about improving the park and supporting our community.

To support the delivery of these projects, the Friends of Eaton Street Park are keen to install a canopy extending from the pavilion – thereby doubling the current footprint and immediately benefiting the projects listed above.

Eaton Street Park was once again awarded Green Flag status for 2023-24

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AT PRESCOT TOWN HALL

DAY	ACTIVITY	TIME	CONTACT DETAILS
Monday	Pilates Class	6.00pm - 7.00pm	Juanita Steel 07960 395026 – Booking essential
Monday	Aerobics Class	7.30pm - 8.30pm	Sharon Swindels acerswn@aol.com
Tuesday (1st. 2nd. 3rd Tue of each month)	Prescot North Ward Councillor Surgery	10.00am - 11.00am	0151 426 3933
Tuesday (4th Tue of each month)	Prescot South Ward Councillor Surgery	10.00am - 11.00am	0151 426 3933
Tuesday	Kumon – Maths and English Classes	3.30pm - 6.00pm	Jenn Appleton prescot@kumoncentre.co.uk
Tuesday	Prescot School of Kung Fu - Martial Arts	Kids Class 6.30pm - 7.30pm Adults Class 7.30pm - 8.30pm	Stephen Sloane 07719 825379
Wednesday (2nd Wed of the month)	Prescot South Ward Councillor Surgery	1.00pm - 2.00pm	0151 426 3933
Wednesday (Term time only)	Drama Kids	5.00pm - 7.00pm	Tracy Shirley 0151 482 0443 / 07908 811159 liverpool@dramakids.co.uk
Wednesday	Line Dancing	2.15pm - 3.15pm	Michelle Brown Fitstreamliverpool@gmail.com
Thursday	Kumon – Maths and English Classe	3.30pm - 6.00pm	Jenn Appleton prescot@kumoncentre.co.uk

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AT PRESCOT TOWN HALL



DAY	ACTIVITY	TIME	CONTACT DETAILS
Thursday	Prescot School of Kung Fu - martial Arts	Adults Class 7.30pm - 8.30am	Stephen Sloane 07719 825379
Friday (every 2 wks)	Deafness Resource Centre - Drop in advice	12.00pm - 2.00pm	01744 23887 enquiries@deafnessresourcecentre.org
Friday (every 2 wks)	Prescot Over 55's Deaf Club	12.30pm - 4.00pm	Colin Wilkinson colin_wilkinson@sky.com
Saturday	Slimming World	8.00am and 9.30am	Lynn Titherington 07739 167051 slimmingworldlyn@aol.com

If you would like further information about any of the activities taking place in Prescot Town Hall please use the contact details as above or contact the Town Hall direct on 0151 426 3933 or e-mail enquiries@prescot-tc.gov.uk



Prescot Town Hall continues to be ideally placed to meet the needs of the community by providing a range of facilities for individual, business and community use.

During 2023-24, Prescot Town Hall has hosted Council events, conferences, birthday parties, martial arts classes, slimming world, bands & choirs and many, many more!

Within Prescot Town Hall, there are a number of facilities available for hire. All are fully compliant with the Equality Act 2010 and are serviced by a secure on-site carpark to the rear of the Town Hall.

Facilities available for hire include:

FACILITY	TYPE OF ACTIVITY	MAX CAPACITY
Multi-function Room With or without fully licensed bar	Family celebrations Weddings Funerals Conferences Live acts Indoor Exercise / sports classes	120
Council Chamber	Large team meetings Partnership meetings School classes	30
Conference Room	Medium team meetings Partnership meetings	16
Small Meeting Room	1 on 1 meetings Small team meetings	6
Eaton Street Pavilion (Located at Eaton St. Park)	Outdoor family or community activities	10

For more information on how to book these facilities please call 0151 426 3933

email enquiries@prescot-tc.gov.uk

or visit the Prescot Town Council website to download a booking form and return to our enquiries email address.

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