



Town Talk - April 2011

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It's Bin A Rubbish Project!!

Residents of Moorland Way and Guest Road, as well as passers by must have thought that one of Dr Who's friends had just arrived in Planet Upton recently! But no, it was instead a new litter bin in the form of a robot, which parked itself at the corner of Guest Road to encourage children (and adults) to 'bin it' rather than 'drop it'.

Jointly funded by the Town Council, Dorset Police and Upton Infants School, to celebrate its arrival the school organised a litter poster competition. Children were also invited to name the robot. Over 120 took up the challenge.



The winning poster was designed by Eleanor Jalie (Y2), with the caption reading 'the hungry robot snack bin'. A close second was Charlotte Betteridge (Y1).

Perhaps the most appropriate robot name came from Tia-Leigh Carr (Y2) who called it 'Tinny Trash Tin'.

Congratulations to them and all the children of Upton Infants School. Very well done.



UPTON CEMETERY

Those residents that pay frequent visits to the cemetery may have noticed that the Council are refurbishing the entrance to the cemetery.

The shrubbery has been cut back, walls cleaned and the kerb stones re-aligned. There is now a raised area underneath the wall for spring bulbs and two lovely cherry trees have been planted. If anyone is interested in sponsorship of the trees or the bulbs for the Autumn, then please contact the Council Offices in Moorland Way.



VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR 2011

The Town Council were pleased to nominate Mr Charles Hancox for the award this year to recognise his 50 plus years of voluntary service to our Town. During this time Charles has been a governor of local schools and a leading figure in establishing the sixth form at Lytchett Minster School and the Community Centre. He has been chairman of the Clarion since its inception, Chairman of the Turbary Trust for 27 years and also was Chairman of the Lytchett Manor Sports Club.

Charles, Council Chairman John Small and our Clerk attended a presentation evening hosted by Purbeck District Council where the achievements of all Purbeck volunteers were honoured. Well done Charles, your contribution to Upton is commendable.



MARSH LANE SEAT

The Keep Upton Tidy Group applied successfully to the Turbary Allotment Trust for funding to purchase the splendid combined seat and planter now installed on the green opposite Marsh Lane. A contribution was also made by a local resident. Our thanks to all concerned including groundsmen Mr Cooper and Mr Kellaway for the installation—yet another example of a fruitful partnership.



UPTON FLOWER BEDS

This has been an excellent year for spring flowers, especially daffodils. Our planting programme, which we have been able to maintain despite the hard economic times, brings much pleasure to residents and visitors alike. Unfortunately a tiny minority of people have damaged or picked some of the flowers. Please be vigilant and let us, or the Police know if you witness vandalism or have information on this type of anti-social behaviour.

