



Lyt-Up - November 2017

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 Mrs Karen Wright, MILCM—Town Clerk

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 Upton Town Council**

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Great News—£10,000 Lottery Funding for The Grove Community Building means Monday Lunch Club will return to the heart of Upton

We are delighted to report that The Grove community building located at the Recreation Ground will soon play host to the 'Monday Lunch Club' - which is a day centre for the elderly of the community. A fantastic service which sees the clients collected from their homes and taken to the venue, where they spend the day chatting, playing cards and generally having a really good time. In addition, they receive morning coffee, a home cooked roast lunch, with dessert, and then tea and cake before they leave.

The Town Clerk was invited to witness first hand how the club operates and to meet the clients. She says 'I pay credit to the dedicated team of volunteers who provide this vital service to the elderly of our town. I enjoyed meeting the clients and was able to speak to them about their experiences of living in our town—some of them for many years. The feedback that I received from the clients was their greatest problem in life was 'loneliness—thank goodness for the Day Centre!

The Town Council and the Day Centre established a Task Force a number of months ago to plan and prepare for their move from their current premises in Lytchett Matravers to The Grove. It is pleasing to report that a successful Lottery Bid submitted by the Town Council has resulted in a £10,000 kitchen enhancement, which will take place in the next couple of weeks. Additionally, the Day Centre have undertaken their own fundraising, with some monies coming from the clients themselves, and will provide all the appliances—which will be stainless steel and include a much wanted and deserved industrial dishwasher.

These upgrades will not only benefit the Monday Lunch Club, but also other people hiring the facility.

The Grove building has recently played host to several children's parties, and the parents have been delighted with the facility. With hire rates commencing at just £10 per hour, why not consider hiring it for your event? Please contact the Town Council for further information.



TOWN COUNCIL HELP CENTRE

Open Mon– Thurs 9 am—12.30 pm

Fri 9.30 am—11.30 am

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Citizens Advice Surgery

Monday 9.15 am—12.30 pm (weekly)

Meeting Dates:

All meetings are open to the public, with 15 minutes of public participation at 8.15 pm. Agendas available via town noticeboards, library, help centre and website

November Meetings

Amenities	07/11/17	7.30 pm
Planning	14/11/17	7.30 pm
Town Council	21/11/17	7.30 pm
Environment	28/11/17	7.30 pm

Vandalism/Anti-Social

Behaviour/Graffiti

Unfortunately this continues to increase around the town and causes the Town Council much extra work and expense.

Please, if you witness this type of behaviour, let Dorset Police



know. We also ask people to be vigilant in and around Upton Cemetery due to the recent distressing incident of a large amount of fly tipping inside the Cemetery.

New Councillors

The Town Council are pleased to welcome new councillor Mr Ryan Holloway serving on Amenities and Environment. A local person with community and the wellbeing of the town and its residents high on his agenda.