

# THE MARKET HOUSE

## Newent Town Council's Newsletter - March 2020

### Message from The Deputy Mayor - Cllr Christine Howley

Having been requested to step in for the Mayor on this occasion, it is with pleasure that we offer a warm welcome to our newly elected councillor, Julia Gooch. As many of you will know, Julia has been a District Councillor for many years and we look forward to working with her on Newent Town Council.

The Mayor and I will be working on behalf of the Town Council with the Royal British Legion in planning an event to celebrate the 75th anniversary of VE day as the country shares the moment between 6th - 10th May. Newent will play its part in recognising the enormous sacrifice made by others for our freedom today.

### Duck Housing - the story continues



Following the successful installation of a duck house on Newent Lake, further houses have been designed, made and donated by a local resident. Besides providing nesting space for our water birds,

the houses also offer a very distinctive and sympathetic feature on the Lake.

We are very grateful.

### Annual Parish Meeting - Memorial Hall

The Annual Parish Meeting of Newent Town Council will take place on Thursday April 2nd. Doors will be open at 6.30pm for browsing the stalls and for talking to councillors. At 7pm the Mayor will give her report on the activities undertaken by the Town Council over the last year and there will be a time for questions. These should be submitted in advance to the clerk if possible.

### Development of 230 dwellings - north of Southend Lane

Newent Town Council as a statutory consultee has strongly opposed the reserved matters application for 230 dwellings. Members were concerned that the plans did not distribute the affordable homes throughout the site, that there was insufficient green corridor between the rear of Culver Street and the houses, and at the lack of visitor cycling racks. The Council has also asked to be notified of any significant archaeological finds and would like the local area of play to be more adventurous.



### Litter Pick

Please join us on Friday March 21st at 10am in the Market Square to help us tidy up our town.

All necessary equipment will be provided.



### Contacting your Councillors

If you wish to speak to one of the town councillors, please contact us through the clerk or see the details elsewhere on this website.

