Second year for Maldon’s Town Mayor!

On Monday the 14th of May 2018 Cllr Jeanette Stilts was delighted to be re-elected as the Mayor of Maldon Town for a second term. This is the first time a female Town Mayor has held the office of Mayor for 2 consecutive years. She also welcomes a new Deputy Town Mayor, Cllr Flo Shaughnessy into office. This is also the first time both the offices of Town Mayor and Deputy have been held by lady councillors. They will both be supported by their husbands, Peter and Terry, as their Consorts for this municipal year.

This year the Mayor will be supporting Prostate Cancer UK and the Joseph Unwin Trust, together with as many local charities as she can.

Councillor Flo Shaughnessy said: “It is a great honour to have been elected Deputy Town Mayor of Maldon and I look forward to fully supporting Jeanette in her duties throughout her second Mayoral year. I will, of course, as a Town and District Councillor, continue to work hard for the people of Maldon and endeavour to protect all that makes this historic town a special place”.

To find out if the Town Mayor or Deputy Town Mayor is available to attend your event, please contact Nina, the Town Mayor’s Secretary on 01621 857373 or email administration@maldontowncouncil.gov.uk

NATIONAL AWARD RECOGNISES TOWN COUNCIL

The Town Mayor, Cllr Jeanette Stilts and her fellow town councillors were delighted to learn recently that Maldon Town Council has been awarded third place in a national competition to find the Civic Office of the Year 2017.

The National Association of Civic Officers has promoted the Civic Office of the Year Award since 2003 during which time it has been won by a range of Councils from a very large City Council to a small Town Council with a part time Civic Officer.

The Award is designed to recognise and promote the work undertaken by a civic office contributing to the services provided to the community by a Council. The criteria on which entries are judged include quality and innovation, promotion of the office of Mayor and how resources have been used to best effect.

In its application, Maldon Town Council highlighted its hard work over the past several years as custodians of Maldon’s heritage and traditions, in helping local people to understand these and how they have shaped Maldon, to encourage a sense of pride in the town. One of the ways it does this is through the professionalism of its councillors, and the promotion of the town, its heritage, and traditions by successive Town Mayors. Recently, Maldon has hosted such events as the Heritage Weekend in 2017, the Merchant Navy Day commemorations, Remembrance Sunday, the Vintage Christmas Fayre, the Pancake Race, the achievements of Maldon in Bloom and the Freeman of the Town Award. By celebrating the town’s heritage, traditions and achievements the town council aims to nurture a sense of civic pride amongst its residents and the Town Mayor, supported by town council staff and town councillors, is at the heart of this.
In an evening buzzing with excitement and anticipation to rival the Oscars, the first ever Pride of Maldon Awards presentation evening took place on Friday night under the watchful eye of Master of Ceremonies, Cllr Mark Heard.

The Town Mayor, Cllr Jeanette Stilts had invited more than 100 local volunteers to join her in celebration of the inspiring work of all those unsung heroes in Maldon whose quiet work behind the scenes contributes so greatly to the Maldon community. Guests were treated to a Turkish buffet provided by Sark Restaurant and drinks provided by the Mighty Oak Brewing Company and Tesco.

With more than 70 nominations to choose from, the panel had a hard job narrowing it down to just 9 awards.

Following an inspiring speech about what makes Maldon so special from Carl Wakefield, Principal of the Plume Academy, the prestigious PRIDE OF MALDON AWARD 2018 was announced by the Town Mayor, Cllr Jeanette Stilts, and was awarded to Julie Taylor, who manages the friendly community café at St Peter’s Hospital, which is the hub of the hospital. Julie and her volunteers are a life line for the lonely, the elderly, their carers and for those with mental health issues such as dementia. Her Food and Toiletries Bank helps families and pensioners. Julie and her volunteers not only cook and serve, but also hold fund raising activities such as raffles, parties, prize bingo, a library, knit and natter groups and support local charities. As the Mayor said, “we should all be proud of Julie Taylor, for without her, Maldon would be so much the poorer”.

The recipients of the other awards were:-

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR - introduced and presented by Cllr Stephen Nunn to Albert Kilby whose selfless efforts over many years have left a lasting impression on the lives of others.

CARERS OF THE YEAR - introduced and presented by Cllr Richard Miller to Karen Petch and Sharon Markham from the Alzheimers Society Maldon Information Hub which provides support and friendship to people in the local community affected by dementia and their carers.

YOUNG ACHIEVER OF THE YEAR - introduced by Cllr Flo Shaughnessy and presented to Carl Wakefield on behalf of Holly Quarmby, a Plume Academy student, who raised a significant sum taking part in the British Cancer Research Event “Race for Life”, and inspired others to join in with her fund raising efforts. Certificates for the other nominatees for this award were presented to Plume Academy students, Brooke Claydon, Isabelle Chapman, Charlotte Batson, Jasmine Peace and Elspeth Ayling.

EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR - introduced and presented by Cllr Jhual Hafiz to Michael Lester, for his outstanding teaching and support to foreign languages and mathematics students at the Plume Academy. Donna Harrington from the Plume Academy was also presented with a certificate for her nomination for this award for her work in the school.

COMMUNITY IMPACT AWARD, given to the charitable work of a group that has made a dramatic impact on the lives of those within Maldon was introduced and presented by the Town Mayoress, Hilary Miller, to the Maldon & Dengie Stroke Support and Carers’ Group for their huge contribution to the social, mental and physical welfare of an increasing number of local people who have suffered a stroke.

LONG SERVICE VOLUNTEER - introduced and presented by Cllr David Ogg to Tracey Temme for her volunteering with the Sea Cadets, and particularly the Maldon Branch and the environment created by the Sea Cadets which gives the local youth and environment to improve their qualifications and social skills and to learn a sense of responsibility and confidence.

ARTS & CULTURE AWARD - introduced and presented by Cllr Peter Stilts to William Geller who has supported the Maldon Art Club and Friends of the Moot Hall tirelessly over many years, using his skills from a lifetime in art and design.

BEST BUSINESS CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMMUNITY - was introduced and presented by Cllr Neil Pudney, Vice Chairman of Maldon District Council, to Topsail Charters Ltd.
Could you be a Town Councillor?

MALDON TOWN COUNCIL
COULD YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

Tuesday 17th July 2018

Do you want to make a difference to the historic town of Maldon?

We are looking to launch the town into a new era as we try to improve the quality of life for our local people. We are looking for someone who can help sustain Maldon as an attractive town and give a voice to the younger generation. Our aims as a town council include putting in place strategies to create a greener environment to live in, provide more activities, help our local businesses grow and more. The power will be in your hands to make changes for the better for the local people and Maldon.

We have one vacant seat available on the Town Council in South Ward.

For further details, contact the Town Council Office by emailing town-clerk@maldontowncouncil.gov.uk or call 01621 857373.

The deadline for your application is Tuesday 21st August 2018, and applicants will be interviewed at the meeting on Tuesday 28th August 2018.

We look forward to hearing from you!
Maldon Town Council office is open Monday - Thursday 9am - 4.30pm and Friday 9am - 4pm. Closed Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holidays.

Meetings of your Town Council are open for you to attend. There is usually an opportunity to speak to the Council at the end of each meeting.

Full details are shown on the Town Council’s website www.maldontowncouncil.gov.uk

Meetings Diary July-December
Meetings start at 7.30pm in the Town Hall
Town Council
16th Jul, 28th Aug, 8th Oct, 17th Dec
Environment Committee
14th Aug, 10th Sept, 5th Nov
Finance and General Purposes Committee
2nd Jul, 13th Aug, 24th Sept, 19th Nov
Planning Applications Committee
9th & 23rd Jul, 6th & 20th Aug, 4th & 17th Sept, 1st, 15th & 29th Oct, 12th & 26th Nov, 10th Dec

Town Hall Hire Charges
The Hall, Foyer and Conference Room can be hired by contacting the Town Council offices. Rates listed below are the preferential rates, which apply to town residents and local voluntary and charitable organisations.

Main Hall
Monday-Friday (8am-6pm) £16.50 per hour
Minimum charge £49.50
Monday-Friday (6pm - 12 midnight) £18.50 per hour
Minimum charge £55.50
Saturday, Sunday and Bank Holidays (day and evening) £20.50 per hour
Minimum charge £61.50

Conference Room
Monday - Friday (8am - 12 midnight) £13.50 per hour
Minimum charge £40.50
Monday - Friday (8am - 12 midnight) £15.50 per hour
Minimum charge £46.50
Foyer (if hired separately) £8.50 per hour
Minimum charge £24.50

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