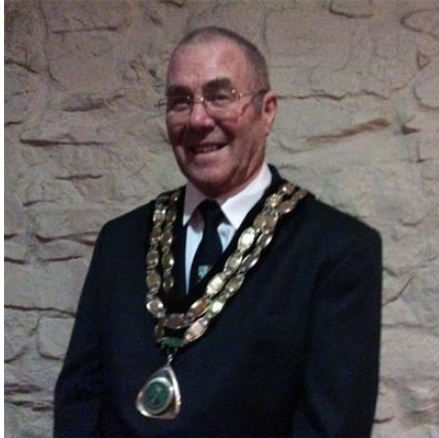




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It's been an interesting year and I have had great pleasure in attending thirty four events on behalf of the Town. Donations have been given to support twenty three local organisations and I thank them all for their very kind invitations. During my year of office the Whitland Town Councillors have arranged the following:

- *The Public Toilets were painted to keep standards high and open 24 hours.*
- *The Whitland Railway Station is now an Office for Network Rail Staff.*
- *WTC worked with the Dairy site owners to provide some interim car parking to be managed by the Town Council under a temporary licence by the kind agreement of the owners of Whitland Green Park. Signposts have been placed to direct traffic to the site which is close to the Town Centre.*
- *The Town Council bilingual website continues to promote the Town and include Town Council agendas / meeting minutes and provide links to organisations, clubs, services and business. Heritage Boards support visitors and link them to the Town Council website so they can have current details of local business and historical information.*
- *The Police Station has been re-opened after a seven year break*
- *The Whats on in Whitland and St Clears facebook is popular and highlights local events and gives business the means to reach a wider audience with their own photographs and business details. Contact: Vicky Mitchell [whitlandworkswell@gmail.com](mailto:whitlandworkswell@gmail.com) and see facebook page "Whats on in Whitland and St Clears". A weekly Job Club was held during this past year.*
- *The bushes by the Pocket Parc are trimmed to give good views of the river.*



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- *Mr John Lewis works with the Town Council and ensures the Town looks its best. Town seating is painted, minor repairs are ongoing that are not undertaken by the County Council, bollards painted, road signs cleaned and flowers beds are tended.*
- *WTC worked with the Tourism Cluster group on a Utube short film showcasing the area around Whitland and focussing on community spirit.*
- *The 106 monies are being used to best effect around the Town. Solar panels have been placed on the Rugby and Bowls Clubs. The rear footpath between King Edward street and the Public Toilets are to be re-surfaced. Pathways around the edges of Parc Dr Owen are to be reinstated and encourage more use of the Parc for all ages. Residents and visitors may then visit the Town Centre as a spin off. More projects are being discussed.*
- *The Safe Routes funding bid was successful and Whitland was awarded £197,000 for traffic calming (not humps) and safe pathways around the Town. Many thanks to business owners and residents for contributing to the survey.*

Finally, I wish the incoming Mayor the very best for the next year and I am sure it will be a very good one for Whitland.

Councillor Bentley Evans