

Rayleigh Town Council By-election Trinity Ward

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Conservatives 

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Dear Trinity Ward Residents,

My wife Carole and I have lived in Rayleigh for 30 years and have two grown up daughters. Over the years I have come to find Rayleigh a very pleasant place to live. I am now retired so can spend as much time as needed to fulfil this important role if elected. This follows a life spent in Insurance and Commercial Hazardous Waste Management. As diverse as it can be.

I now look forward to the rest of my days in Rayleigh and with your support, as a member of Rayleigh Town Council who do a fantastic job.

This election has been called (not by the Conservatives I might add) following the sad death of Les Jeffery and will be an unnecessary cost to us the residents as the whole of Rayleigh Town Council is up for election in May 2020.

I would therefore ask you to vote for me to ensure that you have another voice in matters that concern you and know that issues raised will be aired in the appropriate places.

I am aware of issues that concern residents that I have spoken with and if elected I would be pleased to have the views of as many people as possible, not just the few who may shout the loudest in order to obtain a true picture of what concerns people locally. I know I can fit in with the already great team in Trinity Ward.

The future of the area in which we live is important to me and everyone who lives here. If elected, it would be my pleasure to represent the views and needs of us all.

Please take that time to read the leaflet which mentions just a few things that the Town Council get involved with.

If you wish to contact me, please do not hesitate to call me on 01268 781344.

Yours faithfully

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Quality Status Council

As a result of continuous efforts to improve the town, Rayleigh Town Council was recognised by being awarded Quality Status by the County Accreditation Panel on behalf of Her Majesty's Government and coordinated with the support of the National Association of Local Councils. Without the Councillors and excellent office staff this would not have been achieved.

Christmas Lights



This year's event will be on Thursday 28th November 2019 and it gets bigger and better as the years go by. The council is conscious that some residents are not happy that it is held on a Thursday but we are not allowed to close the road on a Saturday. Also, it would be wrong to clash with other switch on events and schools would not take part. If you wish to attend the fundraising event, this will be held at Marco's on 21st November 2019.

Crucial Crew

The Town Council supports the Crucial Crew where pupils receive vital lessons in life skills.

King George V Playing Field

Always looks lovely and well kept and once again the Playing Field has received the Green Flag Award. Rayleigh Town Council has allowed a snack bar to operate in the Pavilion at King George V Playing Field. This has proven to be very popular.

Beggars

Many residents have complained about the beggars. Unfortunately, the Town Council is unable to move them on but do report them to the appropriate authorities.

Planning

Please remember that although Rayleigh Town Council has a Planning Committee they are only consultees and can only report any concerns to the District Council.

Remembrance Sunday

This event is on Sunday 10th November and once again the Town Council will assist in making sure that the event goes smoothly.



Homelessness

Please be advised that whilst the Town Council is not responsible for Homelessness concerns can be reported via the office (01268-741880) and any help possible will be offered.

Anglia in Bloom

Lots of hard work by Councillors Roe, Sperring, Dowell and Mercer, Trinity Ward Councillors, help to win the Town the awards it deserves and this year the results will be announced on 10th September. Hopefully another Gold. Thank you to those residents and businesses that sponsor the wonderful baskets and flower beds in our Town. Also, to the community that come together to make our Town so lovely. If elected I look forward to being involved with many items already listed in my leaflet.

St. George's Day

This year, Rayleigh Primary School helped raise the flag in King George V Playing Field.

Purse Chains and Bells

We want to make sure our purses are safe and Councillor Roe has visited many retirement homes and clubs to present these to residents.

Litter Picks

The Town Council organises litter picks in the Rayleigh area including Websters Way Car Park, King George V Playing Field and Lower Wyburns. The Town Council were also very grateful to some volunteers from Fitzwimarc School who helped just before the Anglia in Bloom Judges came to our town.

School Quiz

For several years now the Town Council have held a junior school quiz. Another very successful event currently sponsored by the Chamber of Trade.

Speed Watch

Several speed watch sessions have taken place within Trinity Ward by the Conservative Town Councillors. The Town Council has its own equipment and are always looking for volunteers to be trained in using it.



CCTV

I am aware of the concerns in respect of anti-social behaviour and I know the Town Council are working with the District Council and other Parishes to discuss the way forward. If this goes ahead it has to be right so please be patient. The Town Council has recently been granted membership of the Community Safety Partnership. As promised by the authorities we have seen more police presence in our Town which is very much welcomed.

Rayleigh's Heritage

We cherish our heritage and we are very fortunate to have residents such as Mike Davies Chairman of the Museum Management Group and the wonderful team of volunteers who help in the Museum situated above Pizza Express in the High Street. The Town Council has a representative (Cllr Cheryl Roe) who attends these meetings.



	
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