



## Council Corner

February and March 2026

### Election – West Ward Vacancy

Hayle Town Council needs just **one person** to stand for election in the **West Ward**. Once this position is filled, the Council will be able to address the remaining vacant seats through the process of co-option.

As no nominations were received at the recent election, the election will need to be re-run in the coming weeks. If you are interested in finding out what being a councillor involves, why not attend one of our Council or Committee meetings? You are also welcome to contact the Town Clerk's office or speak with any of the current serving councillors for an informal chat.

### John Pollard Garden – New Community Space Opened

We are delighted to announce the opening of a new community garden on Hayle Terrace, named **John Pollard Garden** in recognition of the late John Pollard's outstanding contribution and service to the town.

The landscaping work was carried out by Hayle-based contractors **Sharp Country Landscapes**, with the planting scheme designed by garden designer **Sarah Jarman**. The site was secured through a **Section 106 agreement**, and we were successful in obtaining **£100,000 of CIL funding** to deliver the project.

While securing the site and obtaining approvals to address contamination presented challenges, it has all been worthwhile to see the garden successfully established for the community to enjoy.

### CCTV Funding Success

We are thrilled to announce that Hayle Town Council has been successful in securing a **£10,000 grant** towards the purchase and installation of additional CCTV equipment in the town.

Our sincere thanks go to the **Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Devon, Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly** for their support. This funding will make a real difference to community safety.

Further details will be shared soon on how this grant will be used alongside existing CCTV systems to help make Hayle a safer place for everyone.

### Civic and Community Hub project

As previously reported, we are delighted to share the great news that our funding bid was successful. We have secured **£51,750** through the **Town Regeneration and Investment Programme**.

This additional funding will be used to progress the **Civic and Community Hub project**, based on the existing library site, to **RIBA Stage 4** (ready for construction). It has also enabled us to carry out further consultation and engagement work with **young people and people with disabilities**, helping to ensure the interior design meets the needs of all users.

We have been running a series of workshops and events to consult with you — the community — and we are excited to move the project forward at pace.

## **Hayle Community Action Group**

### **We're back!**

After a short pause, Hayle Community Action Group (HCAG) is relaunching, and we're excited to share some positive progress made behind the scenes.

The group temporarily stopped meeting while awaiting a response from the Charity Commission. Unfortunately, our application for charitable status was not successful. However, at the relaunch meeting on **12 November**, HCAG members agreed to move forward as a **Community Benefit Society (CBS)** — a proactive and viable alternative that allows us to continue our work for Hayle.

Hayle Community Action Group is positive, proactive, and works collaboratively with **Hayle Town Council** to help improve our town.

### **HCAG is:**

- About improving our town
- Positive and proactive
- Action-focused
- Apolitical
- Inclusive and open to all
- By the community, for the community
- Creative, innovative, and fun

We are open to everyone — residents, businesses, community groups, and anyone who wants to get involved and make things happen in Hayle. If you know someone who could make a difference, please bring them along too!

You can commit **as much or as little time as you like** — every contribution matters.

Together, we can make great things happen in Hayle.

## **Hayle Masterplan Project**

A series of public surveys and consultations have taken place, resulting in some fantastic responses from you all through both the survey, and face-to-face with the Mei Loci team, gathering views on what people would like to see at King George V Memorial Walk and the Recreation Ground. The results will be shared at the next meeting of the Hayle Community Action Group on **11 February**.

Please keep an eye on our website and social media channels for further information and upcoming meeting dates.

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