



## CARTERTON TOWN COUNCIL

### *Carterton Town Crier*

A series of newsletters which aim to keep residents in touch. Please let us have your views and comments. Contact points are given below.

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#### **Message from the Town Mayor**

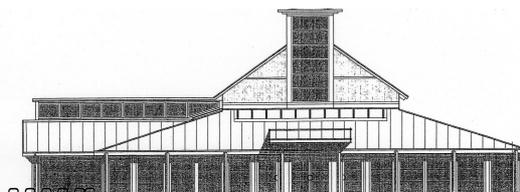
In June, I was re-elected to serve for the forthcoming year as the Mayor of Carterton. It is a great honour to serve again in this capacity and I am looking forward to being involved in the many exciting projects which are under way in our town. You will learn more about these in this newsletter and in future issues. I am particularly interested in law and order issues and over the next twelve months I shall be concentrating on working closely with the police and other local agencies to reduce disorder within the town. It is important that we find positive ways to channel the energies of our youngsters and I would welcome any views that you might have.

I have already been invited to a number of events in the town and, with my wife Liz, look forward to meeting many of you. I shall also be looking for ways to raise money for my nominated charity – Macmillan Nurses.

Phil Scott, Town Mayor

#### **Carterton Community Hall**

The new Community Hall is due to start on site in the autumn. The hall, which is for the use of everyone in Carterton, will be by the shopping area on the northeast Carterton estate. It is a single storey building but with lots of glass at a high level to allow plenty of natural light. It will have a large hall (to seat 200) with a stage, a small hall, a community café, and a number of meeting rooms and offices. We hope that the hall will be completed by summer 2008. The hall will be home to a wide range of groups and organisations but will be available for hire for private functions. Further details are available from the Town Hall.



#### **Exceptional Citizens**

Hugo Brunner, the Lord Lieutenant of Oxfordshire presented five Exceptional Citizen Awards to residents of Carterton at a reception in April.

The recipients of the first awards, all of who have been nominated by fellow residents, were:

**Rev Roger Billings** for his contribution to public life in the town, **Mr Fred Bradley** for his support for the RBL, **Mrs Jill Edwards** for her sporting achievements, **Mr Graham Evans** for his work on behalf of Save the Children, and **Mrs Madge Morgan** for her sporting achievements.

Anybody may nominate any resident or former resident of Carterton. The criteria for the award is: one single exceptional act; sustained success at national or international level in sport or the arts; active support for a local or national charity or voluntary organisation over a period of many years; and substantial contribution to public life in the town over a period of many years



#### **Carterton Youth Council**

**With the help of schools and local organisations involved in youth work, the Town Council is to set up the Carterton Youth Council. Youth Councillors will be elected by the school or organisation which they represent and will serve for 12 months. They will receive training to help them to fulfil their role and will have an adult mentor. The Youth Council, which will be an Advisory Committee to the Town Council, will hold its first meeting in the autumn.**

#### **THANK YOU!**

The Town Council is very grateful to **Angus McCracken & Son** for sponsoring this year's Allotments Competition. Thanks also to the **Mid-Counties Co-op** for sponsoring Carterton in Bloom.

We appreciate the involvement of local businesses in our activities and would like to thank them and the residents who work so hard to make their premises look so nice

#### **MEMORIAL BENCH**

*You may have noticed the smart new seat outside the Town Hall. We are very grateful to the Seldon family who have presented this to the town in memory of Peter Seldon who died last year. Peter was the town historian and author of *The Carterton Story*.*

## The Old Market Site

During the course of 2006, the Town and District Councils had been working with the Co-op, as the owners of the old market site, to develop the area as a mixed retail and residential site.

In April 2007, we learnt that the market site had been sold by the Co-op to a new owner, Mr Harry Watts. Meetings have been held with Mr Watts. The Town and District Councils have confirmed that, as the other major landowners, they want to see the comprehensive redevelopment of the area in accordance with the brief that has already been drawn up. Discussions will continue over the coming months.

## CARTERTON TENNIS COACHING PROGRAMME

Summer Holiday Tennis Coaching will be taking place at the Carterton Community College during 6-10 August and 20-24 August. For full details of times and cost, phone Chris Hampton on 07870 169215 or email: [breakpointtennis@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:breakpointtennis@tiscali.co.uk). There will also be a Sunday Morning Club, starting on 3 June and running through to 22 July.



## Heritage Resource Box

As part of the CFF Heritage project, a resource box (available from September) containing a range of papers, pictures, objects and a CD, was assembled for use, mainly in schools, to help in promoting an understanding of Carterton's interesting and unusual heritage. If not out on loan to local schools, the box could also be borrowed by local groups for short periods of time. Contact the Town Hall for details.

## TOWER SQUARE

The CFF Environment Group has been working with the landscape architect to develop plans to improve Tower Square. They involve replacing the muddy grass areas with attractive paving, including a feature such as a mosaic as a focal point, and new seating. The group has applied to the People's Lottery to help fund the work, but is also looking for local people, groups and organisations who would be willing to sponsor particular items such as seats, in exchange for appropriate acknowledgement. For further details please contact the Town Hall.

## Carterton Cinema

The last showing of the Cinema took place in June. There are no plans at the moment to show any further films this year, but do keep an eye on the town council website and on the town hall noticeboards in case this position changes. Many thanks to all those who have supported us.

## CARTERTON 10K ROAD RACE

The 10K Road Race was held on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March and 229 runners took part on the day.

Thank you to everyone who helped make this event such a success, with particular thanks to



**SEAN MACFARLAND** at RAF Brize Norton for organising the event. Thanks also to the **MIDCOUNTRIES CO-OP** for providing water and fruit for all the runners, and to **FOXBURY FARM** for providing a very welcome BBQ at the end of the Race.

### Contact Details - 2007/08

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Cllr. B. Crossland	Upavon	212654
Cllr A Farmer	Milestone	842430
Cllr E L Liston	RockFarm	840529
Cllr S D Lodge	RockFarm	842948
Cllr N A MacRae	Upavon	842156
Cllr P Madden	Milestone	843163
Cllr Mrs. N J Miah	RockFarm	843829
Cllr Mrs. S E Stone	Upavon	841165
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Cllr W.O. Walcott	Gateway	842156
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## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- ♦ **Mon 16 July** – Schools Swimming Gala at Carterton Leisure Centre 10.00 a.m.
- ♦ **Sat 21 July** - Carterton Family Festival at Alvescot Road Recreation Ground 2.00-5.00 p.m.
- ♦ **Mon 27 August** – RBL Fete on the Alvescot Road Recreation Ground, with mobile climbing wall.

## APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS

Applications from groups and organisations will next be considered by the Town Council in November 2007. Please write to the Town Hall, by the middle of October, with details of your request.