

PRESS RELEASE

With the end of the 2019-23 Council term approaching, we felt it was appropriate to look back at some of the achievements of Attleborough Town Council over that period.

The session began following a period of stagnation followed by turmoil which adversely affected the functioning of the Council. A lot of hard work by our Mayor, Cllr Phil Leslie, and a number of other current councillors saw matters resolved and a much more cohesive body resulted, with members striving to work for the benefit of the town and its residents.

A new Town Clerk, Michelle Barron, was appointed in September 2021 and she has since worked tirelessly, with support from her office and grounds teams, to bring a host of projects to fruition. These have included small schemes, like improving access to The Dell, installing new seats, picnic benches and waste bins, to larger more high profile projects.

Arguably the most notable project is the new 'Wheelpark' at the recreation ground which is due to be officially opened in the near future. Other schemes delivered by the Town Council under Michelle's direction have seen improvements to children's play equipment, notably at London Road but also at a number of other sites, and access improvements to the access to Decoy Common off Norwich Road. There have also been a host of 'behind the scenes' improvements and there is now much better understanding of the Council's assets, which improves the efficient running of affairs.

Looking to the future, there are a number of new projects in the pipeline which the Town Council are promoting or involved with. An exiting scheme to create a Woodland area in memory of the late Queen Elizabeth II on land adjoining the rear of the cemetery is a prime example.

The Town Council comprises a group of 15 members who give their time entirely voluntarily. There are no party-political allegiances and members work solely for the benefit of the community, the town and its residents without interference. We see in our everyday lives how party-political squabbling wastes time and effort and we therefore strive to expend all of our efforts on meaningful issues for the benefit of our residents, rather than deferring to party orders.