

## Southwold town councillors

Sue Allen: 722768  
Teresa Baggott: 722385  
Ann Betts: 724300  
Ian Bradbury: 724246  
Sue Doy: 722987  
Katie Flodin: 724119  
Michael Ladd: 724337  
Robert Temple: 723051  
Simon Tobin: 725153  
Melanie Tucker: 07885576514  
Will Windell: 723239  
John Winter: 723812

### COUNCILLORS' SURGERY

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2013  
from 7p.m. – 8 p.m.

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2013  
from 10a.m. – 11 a.m.

Town councillors will be in attendance at the town hall.

**Town Clerk:** Lesley Beevor

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The clerk's office is open to the public between 10 a.m. and 12 noon from Monday to Friday inclusive.

**Please note** that the Town Hall will be closed from Monday 24<sup>th</sup> December – Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> January 2013 inclusive.

**Police contact:** The national non-emergency number **101**

should be used where dialling 999 is clearly inappropriate. When in Suffolk, dialling **101** will make contact with the Suffolk Police HQ and a direct connection can then be made to the Southwold & Halesworth Safer Neighbourhood Team.



### Waveney District Councillors:

Sue Allen and Michael Ladd  
[as opposite]

### Suffolk County Councillor:

John Goldsmith: 722422

### NEXT MEETING DATES

**Town Council**  
Tuesday 11 December - 8pm

**ALL WELCOME**

### Committee Meetings

Please see noticeboard for times and dates



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*News from Southwold Town Council*

THIS NEWSLETTER, AIMS TO KEEP YOU INFORMED OF MATTERS WITH WHICH THE TOWN COUNCIL IS CURRENTLY INVOLVED, PROVIDE AN INSIGHT INTO THE FUTURE AND FOCUS ON MATTERS OF BOTH A LOCAL AND NATIONAL INTEREST. WHERE APPROPRIATE.

### TRIAL BUS SCHEME SET TO BE MADE PERMANENT

On November 8 Suffolk County Council's Rights of Way Committee voted to adopt a recommendation of the Town Council and make permanent the implementation of the trial bus scheme for Southwold High Street. The debate was not without incident, and there were strong counter arguments put by a representative of *ESTA*, the East Suffolk Travellers' Association.

Notwithstanding the real concerns of many out – of – town objectors, especially for the elderly and those less assured with regard to personal mobility, the committee decided that, on balance, the potential benefits of the measures were both persuasive and predominant.

This outcome means that the Town Council is obliged to re-examine its declared intention to improve the quality of the passenger waiting experience at the King's Head public house and to give careful consideration to the establishment of an assisted travel scheme, encompassing movements within the High Street and between there, the Pier and Southwold Harbour.

Each of these matters is being looked at by the Highways and Footpaths working group which meets regularly between Town Council meetings and which, through its Committee, makes direct recommendations to the Town Council.

Christmas is a very special time of the year when we spend time celebrating with family and friends having fun and reflecting back on the last year. We had some great occasions to celebrate in Southwold during 2012 with the Queens Diamond Jubilee weekend and the arrival of the Olympic Torch Relay to name just two. However let us never forget what we are really celebrating at this time of the year. The spirit of Christ's birthday is the foundation of all the festivities during the coming weeks. As Southwold Town Mayor and on behalf of the Town Council I would like to wish you all a very happy and peaceful Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

**Michael Ladd**



**CHRISTMAS LIGHTS' SWITCH ON FRIDAY 7  
DECEMBER – ENTERTAINMENT FROM 5.30PM  
LIGHTS SWITCHED ON AT 7PM**

