



# EXTRA SEDGEFIELD

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**Celebrate with us on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2022!**

**10:00am - St Edmund's Church**  
Sedgefield Area Churches Together warmly welcome you to an ecumenical service of thanksgiving to celebrate the life and reign of Queen Elizabeth II. Everyone welcome.

**10:30am - 4:00pm - Ceddesfeld Hall, Lawns and Marquee**  
Enjoy a varied and fun-packed day for all the family, with live music (full musical programme on page 3), face painting, balloon modelling and more. Ceddesfeld Hall bar will be open from 11am with refreshments served by local café Aubergine.

**Local Business Window Displays**  
Enjoy themed window displays throughout the village, thanks to our fantastic local businesses.

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June 10:30am - 11:15am - Jubilee Plog**  
Join Sedgefield Ploggers on the turning circle in front of St Edmund's Church for a sociable, celebratory plog! All equipment provided. New ploggers welcome!

## A WORD FROM THE NEW MAYOR 2022/23: CLLR DAVE JASPER



Mayor of Sedgefield Cllr Dave Jasper with Consort Julia

I am delighted to accept the great honour and privilege of being elected as Mayor of Sedgefield. My links to Sedgefield go back to 1976 when I was appointed as music teacher at Sedgefield Primary, a position I remained in for 8 very happy years. During that time, I became the MD of the Lyric Singers, a position I held for 7 years. In 1988 I moved into Sedgefield and soon after married Julia before we welcomed our children Tim and Ciaran who have both grown up in the village. I joined Sedgefield Players in 2003 and continue to have a huge amount of fun with this group of which I am Treasurer. I still sing with the Lyrics and last year I was made an honorary life member. I am now three times the age I was when I first worked in the village and feel fully accepted as a local Sedgefield(ite)! I promise to carry out the civic duties of Mayor to the best of my ability and, along with my wife, look forward to representing Sedgefield and supporting its wonderful community. Throughout my

year I will be raising funds for local causes as well as my headline charity Cancer Research chosen in memory of my much-loved parents.

## A WORD FROM THE NEW CHAIR: CLLR MEL CARR

Cllr Mel Carr was elected as Chair of Sedgefield Town Council once again at our Annual General Meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2022. Mel had the following to say about his appointment: "I am pleased and honoured to be elected Chairman of Sedgefield Town Council again this year. There are a few new Councillors who have joined us recently and I look forward to working with them, alongside the whole of the Council and staff, to achieve the best in all matters for the benefit of the residents of Sedgefield."

## THANK YOU SEDGEFIELD, FROM OUTGOING MAYOR: 2021/22 CLLR ANN CARR

By the time you read this, my year as Mayor of Sedgefield will have ended. This role has been both a privilege and a pleasure and I have enjoyed everything, even when it felt worrying at times. Although a late start to the year due to the pandemic, with your help and support we have raised £5,375.65 through coffee mornings, the Mayor's Quiz, an Afternoon Tea & Flower Demonstration, a Carol Service, a Murder Mystery night, the Civic Ball and generous donations. This money will be shared between my chosen charity Youngminds and local groups – visit [www.sedgefieldtowncouncil.gov.uk/mayor](http://www.sedgefieldtowncouncil.gov.uk/mayor) for a full list.

If there has to be a highlight in the year, it would be meeting you, the people who live and work in our town of Sedgefield. You have made the year happy, very friendly, educational, supportive and fun. Your generosity with your time and support for each other as well as me, has been great. Thank you very much. I really do appreciate it.

May I wish the incoming Mayor a happy and successful year. My very good wishes to you all - Cllr. Ann Carr

## COUNCIL COACH TRIPS 2022

We are delighted that our coach trips are back up and running this year. Our summer coach trip to Keswick on Thursday 23rd June 2022 has proven once again to be a very popular trip destination. We have had a few alternative suggestions for next year's summer trip, such as Alnwick or Amble. Let us know where you'd like to go next! In the meantime, tickets will go on sale for our York Christmas Market trip later in the year. Keep an eye out in the next edition of the Sedgefield Extra or on our website and social media for the date announcement.

## WELCOME TO OUR NEW CO-OPTED COUNCILLORS!

Full profiles and contact details for all our Town Councillors can be found online at [www.sedgefieldtowncouncil.gov.uk](http://www.sedgefieldtowncouncil.gov.uk).



Jenny Haworth:

Originally from Darlington, I have lived in the North East most of my life and was fortunate to move to Sedgefield in 2018 with my husband. I want to help improve our local facilities and contribute to our strong sense of community. I intend to support community engagement in the Council's plans, improve our parks and natural environment and the development of safe cycling and walking routes and facilities in the area. I will do my best to represent the interests of local residents.



Kelly Dickerson:

I relocated to Sedgefield from Lancashire with my family 27 years ago. I am passionate about my local community and committed to making it even better, with a strong focus on environmental issues. I am looking forward to contributing to the community events and feel that my dual qualified background in Surveying and Building Surveying will help support planning and estate matters. I am active in the community, approachable and hope to bring a fresh perspective and creativity to the Town Council's services and look forward to working with fellow Councillors.

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2022

Following the conclusion of the Town Council's Annual General Meeting on 16th May 2022, it was unanimously agreed that **Cllr Mel Carr** will be the Chair of the Town Council and **Cllr Allan Blakemore** will be Vice-Chair of Sedgefield Town Council. The Chair and Vice-Chair of our Committees are now as follows:

### Policy & Resources:

Cllr Allan Blakemore  
Cllr Jenny Haworth

### Environment:

Cllr Stephen Winter  
Cllr Mark Cant

### Community Development

#### & Engagement:

Cllr Ann Carr  
Cllr Mavis Wayman

### Personnel Committee:

Cllr Allan Blakemore  
Cllr Jenny Haworth

### Sedgefield Extra:

Cllr John Finlayson  
Cllr Julie Towler

### Community Chest:

Cllr Julie Towler  
Cllr Mavis Wayman



## RESPECTING OUR VILLAGE GREENS



If you follow our Twitter account (@sedgefieldtc), you will sadly have seen several images like the one to the left over recent months. We are seeing more and more instances of cars parking on areas of village green within the town. We ask that you please refrain from parking on village green or other grassed areas in the town as damage caused to the ground can be costly to rectify and ruins the hard work put in by our gardening staff and Sedgefield in Bloom volunteers to keep the town looking so beautiful. For a map showing areas of designated village green, please visit our website <http://www.sedgefieldtowncouncil.gov.uk/village-greens>.

## YOUNG CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD 2021

This year, the Young Citizen of the Year 2021 Award was presented to not one but TWO winners – sisters **Martha and Maggie Edge**. Martha and Maggie joined the Sedgefield Ploggers from the very start. Last year, they also came up with their own litter picking initiatives. They organised a beach clean-up in Seaton Carew and also held a cake sale there, collecting a big haul of rubbish and raising money for mental health charity Mind.

Congratulations girls, you've already proven yourself to be excellent citizens and role models for all of us!

## CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD 2021

We are pleased to announce **Bobby Workman** as Citizen of the Year 2021! Bobby was born and bred in Sedgefield and has been devoted to making it the wonderful and characterful place it is, whether posting letters as the local postman, fighting fires as the leading fireman at the local station, or teaching both kids and adults karate at Sedgefield College. Now retired, he's jogging through Sedgefield with his dodgy knees, litter picker and refuse bag in hand, keeping the streets clean for all its residents, inspiring Sedgefield Ploggers and many others to keep our lovely town looking its very best.

Congratulations Bobby, your award is much deserved and we all thank you for the work you have done and continue to do for this town.

These annual awards are organised through a partnership between Sedgefield Town Council, Sedgefield Rotary Club and Sedgefield Development Trust. At the beginning of each year, residents are invited to nominate candidates through a form included in the Sedgefield News and then a panel of judges (including the immediate previous holder of the award) select the winner.

For the full write-up on our winners and the rest of the Annual Town Meeting, including the Mayor of Sedgefield Cllr Ann Carr's donations, visit our website <http://www.sedgefieldtowncouncil.gov.uk/ATM2022>.



(L-R) Mel Broadbelt, Roger Clubley, Bobby Workman, Mayor of Sedgefield Cllr Ann Carr, June Workman, Maggie & Martha Edge.

## QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE EVENT: SATURDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> JUNE '22 CEDDESFELD HALL MUSICAL PROGRAMME (CONTINUED)

- 11:00 - 11:30 - Children's Together Choir
- 11:40 - 12:10 - Sedgefield Hand Bell Ringers
- 12:20 - 12:50 - The Holkey Folkies
- 13:00 - 13:30 - Ceddesfolk
- 13:40 - 14:10 - Lirica
- 14:20 - 14:50 - The John Wrightson Band
- 15:00 - 16:00 - Sedgefield Ukulele SmileTime Band and Mamma Said



We had a fun-filled time during the Easter holidays, with baking and egg decorating in the Parish Hall and an egg hunt (with a twist!) in Ceddesfeld Grounds. A big thank you from all of us to Sedgefield Village Veterans for their generous donation prior to the pandemic, which allowed these non-term time sessions to take place.

We've got 4-weeks of activities planned for the summer holidays, with great support from EDRC AAP's Youth Fund, including trips to Planet Leisure and Hollywood Bowl. Keep your eyes peeled for the full summer programme.

## CHANGES TO TOWN COUNCIL MEETING DATES 2022

From June to October 2022, the Town Council has resolved to trial holding its Monthly Meeting, Policy & Resources, Environment plus Community Development & Engagement Committee meetings all on the second Monday evening of each month. The Monthly Meeting will commence at 7pm in Sedgefield Parish Hall with all other meetings following on. It is felt that this will be a more effective use of time and resources.

This trial will be reviewed at the Policy & Resources Committee meeting to be held in October 2022. For full details of the new Council meeting dates please visit [www.sedgefieldtowncouncil.gov.uk/events/](http://www.sedgefieldtowncouncil.gov.uk/events/)

## CONTACTING SEDGEFIELD TOWN COUNCIL

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CONCERN	WHO TO CONTACT	CONTACT INFORMATION
General Enquiries	Customer Services	03000 26 0000
Refuse / street lights / pest control / dog fouling / stray dogs / grass cutting / litter / graffiti / roads and footpaths	Highways / Streetscene	03000 26 1000
Planning Applications	Planning	03000 26 1060 / <a href="http://www.durham.gov.uk/planning">www.durham.gov.uk/planning</a>
Benefits	Revenues & Benefits	03000 26 2000
Council Tax	Council Tax	03000 26 4000
Apply / Renew Bus Pass	Sustainable Transport	03000 26 8667
Apply / Renew Blue Badge	Blue Badge Scheme	03000 26 9425
Council Housing	Livin	0845 50 55 500

Alternatively, Durham County Council concerns can be placed via text on 07786 027280 starting with the word INFO or via [www.doitonline.gov.uk](http://www.doitonline.gov.uk). It is very important that you register your views with Durham County Council. Your voice matters and could make a difference for all local residents!

## SAVE THE DATE

**Queen's Platinum Jubilee Community Day**  
Saturday 4th June 2022

**Mayor's Quiz**  
Friday 21st October 2022,  
Ceddesfeld Hall

**Fireworks Display**  
Friday 28th October  
2022, grounds of  
Ceddesfeld Hall

**Snow Party**  
Saturday 26th  
November 2022,  
various locations



We share a lot of information on a daily basis over on our Twitter account **@SedgefieldTC**. Many residents find this a quick and easy way to keep up with current issues, notices and events as they happen. Please take a look and consider following us to keep up to date with local issues.

## STC ANNUAL REPORT 2021/22

The Town Council's 2020/21 Annual Report is now available online at [www.sedgefieldtowncouncil.gov.uk](http://www.sedgefieldtowncouncil.gov.uk). If you require a printed copy, please get in touch with us on [jane@sedgefieldtowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:jane@sedgefieldtowncouncil.gov.uk).