

# MAYOR'S PRESENTATION

2024 - 2025









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Community spirit and goodwill remains high in our community:



A memorial bench has been donated by the Royal British Legion and will shortly be installed outside Town Hall.



A replacement defibrillator at West One was donated by the League of Friends of Crewkerne Hospital.



Bleed kits were installed by the Town Council.



Generous donations were made by the public and Taylor Wimpey to fund new Christmas Lights.

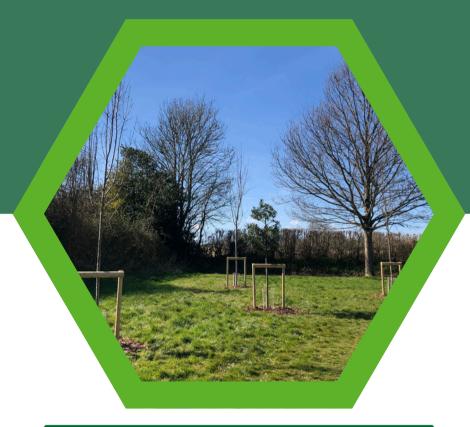


#### GRANT FUNDED PROJECTS



New information boards at Bincombe

Follow the new sculpture trail by picking up a leaflet from Town Hall.



Barn Street Tree Planting

15 new trees planted as part of the Urban Tree
Challenge Fund - 700
planted across the county.



Fingerpost Restoration

Crewkerne's only fingerpost was restored, this work was part funded by the CPRE.

### **EVENTS**

The Town Council's events programme continued this year and included:





>>> Lighting Up

>>> Christmas market

WATCH OUT FOR MORE -

**SKATE JAM COMING** 

**2ND AUGUST 2025** 



AWE & WONDER



The free-to-access art group for toddlers has continued a successful year of sessions, and hopes to continue in Crewkerne in the early summer



In summer 2025 Awe & Wonder, in conjunction with local driftwood artist Dan Wakeman ran a free family art workshop with an 'Under the Sea' theme.



# BANKING HUB - NOW OPEN!

We have been working hard alongside colleagues from Cash Access UK and Steve and Teresa from Crewkerne Post Office to open the much-needed temporary banking hub at Town Hall.

Open from 9am - 5am, Monday to Friday in the Local Information Centre at the Town Hall, you can bank money, withdraw cash and speak to a banker from most of the main banks, all without leaving Crewkerne.







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### YOUTH SERVICE

#### So far in 2025:

- 95 secondary aged young people have engaged with the Service
- 113 primary aged young people have attended sessions.
- In total, 1915 engagements have happened with young people in Crewkerne across Youth Zone, Fun Time, Happy Valley outreach and Youth Council sessions.
- Volunteers have supported the Youth Service 265 times.



#### YOUTH COUNCIL

Our Youth Council continues to run and was actively involved in suggesting the Skate Jam event which will run this summer.

They are looking for new members and hope to be twinning with Weston Super Mare Youth Council and visiting them for a day in the summer to see what other Youth Councils do.



## TWINNING

The Twinning Association links with two towns in France – Igny and Bures sur Yvette.

Last May, the towns came over to visit us and were hosted by various members and friends. This year, our town will visit them and our French friends host.

Next year, signifies an important year recognising 50 years twinning with Igny and 30 years Twinning with Bures sur Yvette, so it will be an exciting time to celebrate when they visit us.

The Twinning Association is a charity and they fundraise most months to help raise funds for the trip to France and supports trips and functions for when the visit is hosted in Crewkerne.

One recent success story regarding the Twinning, is that a primary school in Crewkerne has linked with a primary school in Bures sur Yvette, so this promotes fostering friendships and it benefits with learning about culture as well as developing the language, which would not have happened without the support of the Twinning Association.

#### COMING UP:

In a recent consultation, over 94% of respondents said that they would like to see the sandpit at Happy Valley removed and replaced with new play equipment.

At the Skate Jam in August we'll be asking for our young peoples' input on what sorts of play equipment they'd like to see.

The Wednesday Market continues to grow and we have welcomed indoor stalls upstairs in the Victoria Hall - popupostairs for your handcrafted gifts.

During school holidays we've been running 'Mini Makers Midweek Market' events - putting on balloon modelling, stilt walkers, magic shows and slime workshops free of charge to keep your young people entertained.



## THANK YOU

PLEASE STAY WITH US TO RECOGNISE SOME SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENTS TONIGHT:



HONOURED CITIZENS 2025



MAYORS COMMENDATION



YOUNG CREWKERNIAN 2025

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