

Lord Mayors Announcements

Lords Mayors Engagements Overview.

2nd October. The Lord Mayor attended The International Day of Non-violence and First Anniversary of the installation of the Mahatma Gandhi statue located in Cardiff Bay.

3rd October. The Lord Mayor delivered a welcome speech at the Royal College of Speech & Language Therapists Honours Ceremony and Giving Voice Awards.

8th October . The Lord Mayor welcomed Swiss Students from Basel to the Mansion House. This is an annual visit by students from the University of Applied Sciences and Arts in Basel who study the cultural significance of Welsh Sport during their time in the city.

9th October. The Lord Mayor delivered a welcome speech at the Launch of the International Integration Day, an event promoting community cohesion.

12th October. The Lord Mayor attended an event at Cardiff Central Train Station in celebration of 15 years of the Arriva Trains Franchise.

18th October. The Lord Mayor attended the Licensing of Sarah Jones the new Priest in Charge of St John The Baptist Church in Cardiff.

19th October: The Lord Mayor and Consort attended the Wales Care Awards Gala Dinner. The Lord Mayor presented an award to the Exceptional Newcomer at the event.

20th October. The Lord Mayor and Consort attended the Worshipful Livery Company of Wales Installation banquet to welcome the new Master Mr Geoffrey Hughes.

24th October. The Lord Mayor and Consort attended the Civic receiving line up to welcome HRH Princess Royal who was visiting the Tenovus Mobile Cancer Treatment Unit in Cardiff Bay.

Lord Mayors Charity Update

The current running total to date is £44,775.

Thank you to Councillor Ed Stubbs who raised £758.75 in sponsorship by running the Cardiff Half Marathon which is included in this total.

Yesterday I was also very pleased to be able to thank employees from the Council Education Department who raised £4,268 by climbing Pen y- Fan on what was a glorious day last Saturday.

Forthcoming Fundraising events:

A sparkling Afternoon Tea will be held at the Mansion House at 2pm on Thursday 22nd November – tickets cost £25.00 per head and can be booked via the Noah's Ark website: noahsarkcharity.org/events/sparkling-afternoon-tea

On 23rd November a Gin Tasting event will be held at Cardiff Castle Undercroft and a Christmas fundraising event will be held at the Mansion House on 7th December.

Recognition and Awards

I am pleased to congratulate all employees who have since our last meeting received recognition and award.

UK Theatre Awards 2018

The New Theatre has been voted Wales' most welcoming venue in the UK Theatre Awards 2018.

I would like to congratulate the venue and its staff and volunteers for being named Wales' Most Welcoming Theatre for a second year in succession. It is a wonderful achievement to win such a prestigious award once, let alone twice given the high calibre of competition in Wales. The award is particularly meaningful as it's based on a public vote and is recognition of the value Cardiff people place on the theatre, and of the consistently high standard of service the team delivers.

I would like to wish the team all the best of luck as the New Theatre goes forward to the national finals in London later this month.

Working together to become a Child Friendly City

The October edition of the LGA (Local Government Association) First Magazine features a piece about our work towards creating a child friendly city - putting children's rights into practice.

Deputy Leader of Cardiff Council and Cabinet Member for Education, Employment and Skills, Cllr Sarah Merry, shares the steps Cardiff Council is taking as it works towards international recognition by Unicef as one of the UK's first Child Friendly Cities.

Since 2017, Cardiff – alongside four other cities and communities in the UK – has been working with UNICEF UK and our partners towards international recognition as a UNICEF Child Friendly City.

You can view the full article in the First Magazine October edition online <https://www.local.gov.uk/sites/default/files/documents/First%20628%20October.pdf> (page 27).

Lots of activity is planned across our schools to celebrate Universal Children's Day on the 20th November, so please keep a look out for more details on the our communication channels.

Apprentices make Top 4 in the UK

Congratulations to our Apprentices based in Park Services, Rhian Colledge and Caroline Evans, who were both runners up in APSE's 'Horticulture Apprentice of the Year' at their awards last week.

The APSE local authority apprentice and trainee awards have been running successfully for 15 years throughout the UK. The aim of the awards is not only to give recognition to future tradespersons, but also to the councils themselves who continue to invest in the workforce of the future and provide first-class training and employment initiatives via modern apprenticeship and trainee schemes.

Well done to Rhian and Caroline on their fantastic achievements and being recognised as two of the top 4 in the UK. Thank you to their mentors and teams who have also supported both in achieving their successes.

The Credit Unions of Wales Award

On International Credit Union Day this month, which celebrates the positive impact credit unions and financial cooperatives have on people's lives, the Council received a prestigious national award for helping to improve the financial health of our staff and tenants.

The Credit Unions of Wales Award was in recognition of our commitment to supporting the social welfare of our staff and tenants by encouraging them to access a range of affordable financial services from their local credit union.

The Council was nominated in the Payroll Partner (Public Sector) category following a long-term partnership with Cardiff & Vale Credit Union.

The Council actively promotes Credit Union membership with payslip messages, features and links on its intranet and staff app, weekly credit union promotions in its offices and adverts in its quarterly newspaper resulting in high staff take-up.

PRide recognition for Communications & Media

The talents of the Council's in-house Communications, Design and Media team were recognised as part of Wales' finest in this year's Chartered Institute of Public Relations Awards.

The prestigious PR industry 'Pride' awards were held at City Hall on the 12th October, where over 300 PR professionals gathered to celebrate best practice across Wales.

The Council's team were shortlisted in the 'Best use of Social Media' and 'Public Sector Team of the Year' categories. Reaching the finals is a significant achievement for the team. Receiving industry-led recognition is a huge endorsement for the team and the work they do 24/7. Well done to the team.

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