Town Mayors Christmas Message

It has been a great honour to be your Town Mayor since May of this year and it has certainly been a whirlwind of activity and events so far! Thank you for inviting me to join you in celebrating the Queen's Jubilee and I have enjoyed taking part in many local school and community events. It was with great sadness that I heard of the Queen's death and a privilege to represent the Town in marking her passing and announcing the succession of King Charles.

Recently, it was my pleasure to switch on the Christmas light display funded by the Town Council. Even though we have fewer lights this year to try and save on costs, they are looking wonderful during the cold winter evenings.

It has been wonderful, after the previous two years where many of us felt isolated and alone, to come together as a community on so many occasions, the experiences will create memories that will last for me and I am sure many of you well beyond this year.

I would also like to give special thanks to the Whitehill Town Officers for the tireless work they have done this year, often behind the scenes, to ensure the Town Council runs smoothly. I am particularly grateful to Helen, my PA, who joined the team just this year and has already shown great dedication and patience as she has me as her first Mayor to support!

I must say a big thank you to my fellow Councillors and Leader of the council, Andy Tree, it's been a pleasure working with you all this year.

I would like to welcome the many people who have made Whitehill and Bordon their home this year. I am proud that our community is a welcoming one which values diversity and embraces people: young and old, rich or poor, from all faiths, cultures and nationalities. We have forged even closer ties with the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, opened our homes to Ukrainian refugees and supported our neighbours in challenging times.

My heartfelt thanks go to the many good and kind people of our community who give their time and resources to others in need, often without fuss or fanfare. With this generosity in mind, I would like you to join me on the 16th February 2023 to fundraise for my chosen charities: The Food Bank and Chloe and Sophie's Special Ears Fund. Bring your loved ones to my Valentine's Gala with a Live Band, food and a bar.

Tickets can be booked online: https://bit.ly/leeroygala.

Please continue to take care of yourselves, look after others and have a healthy and happy Christmas and New Year.

God bless,

Cllr Leeroy Scott

Town Mayor of Whitehill and Bordon