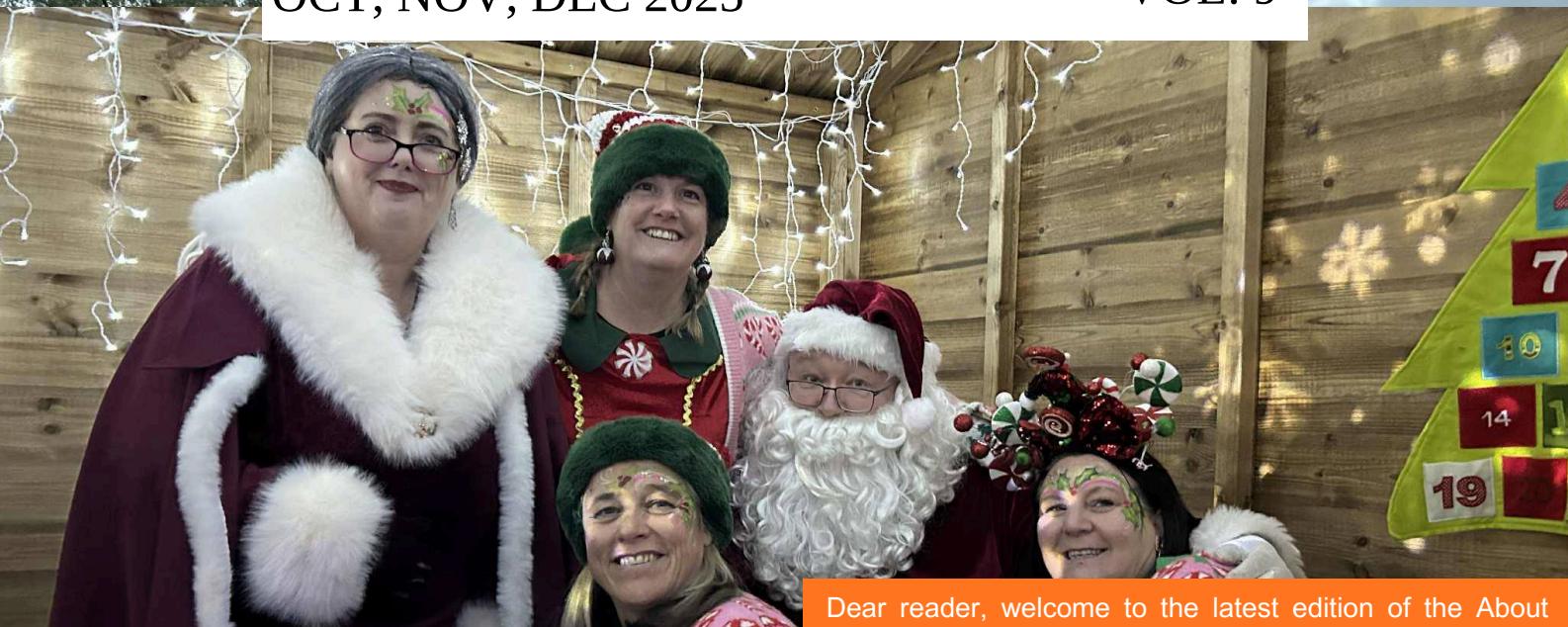




# ABOUT TOWN NEWSLETTER FOR LYDNEY

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## WHAT'S IN THIS EDITION?

In this edition of the About Town Newsletter, we're delighted to share highlights from recent community events and celebrations across Lydney.

You can read about the appointment of the Mayor's Cadet, look back on the success of the annual Fireworks Display at Bathurst Park, reflect on a successful Remembrance Sunday, and celebrate another wonderful Christmas event that brought our community together.

We've also included details of exciting upcoming events at Lydney Town Hall, along with key contact information and dates for your diary.

Dear reader, welcome to the latest edition of the About Town Newsletter.

Over the coming year, we will aim to provide information that is useful and interesting.

The next edition will be released in March 2025

If you have any photos/stories for inclusion in the next editions, please forward them to me:

[Reception@lydneytowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:Reception@lydneytowncouncil.gov.uk)

On behalf of Lydney Town Council, we would like to wish all residents of Lydney a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Thank you for your continued support throughout the year. We are proud of our community and look forward to working together in the year ahead to make Lydney an even better place to live, work and visit.

Warmest wishes to you and your families for a happy, healthy and peaceful festive season.



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# MAYOR'S CADET

On Monday 13th October, Mayor Cllr Tasha Saunders was pleased to welcome Lance Corporal Addis as the newest member of her Mayor's Cadets.

Lieutenant Holmes said "Lance Corporal Addis has served as the most senior cadet in our platoon for the past 12 months, consistently demonstrating exceptional leadership, dedication, and professionalism.

She is a respected role model among her peers, always ready to support junior cadets and lead by example. Her enthusiasm and commitment are evident in her eagerness to volunteer for activities both within the platoon and during weekend camps.

Having successfully completed her Basic and One Star syllabus, she earned promotion to Lance Corporal and has excelled in every aspect of her training. Notably, she has achieved the status of 'trained shot' in shooting, reflecting her discipline and skill.

Lance Corporal Addis aspires to join the Army upon leaving school, and the opportunity to serve as Mayor's Cadet would be a valuable step toward her future career.

I am confident she will carry out her duties with professionalism and pride, upholding the high standards of the Army Cadet Force while representing the values and expectations of the Mayor with distinction."



# TOWN MAYOR'S CIVIC AWARD

Lydney Town Council and Mayor Tasha Saunders are delighted to announce that Alfie is this year's recipient of the Town Mayor's Civic Award 2025/2026!

Alfie has demonstrated outstanding ability and dedication in music, earning him a £200 grant to help support his continued progress and development.

He collected his prize today from the Mayor — a well-deserved recognition for his hard work and talent!

Well done, Alfie!



# LYDNEY FIREWORKS EVENT

What an incredible night at Bathurst Park's Annual Firework Display!

A huge thank you to everyone who came along and made the evening such a success.

We would also like to give special thanks to:

Our amazing traders for bringing delicious food, treats, and fun rides

Our dedicated volunteers who gave their time to help the event run smoothly.

The Town Council team for all their hard work setting up and organising the event.

It was a fantastic night for all ages and we can't wait to do it all again next year!



# REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

On Sunday 9th November, our community came together in an act of remembrance to honour the brave men and women who have served and sacrificed for our freedom.

We were proud to see so many residents, local groups, veterans and young people take part in the Remembrance Parade through Lydney, followed by the service at the War Memorial. Your presence and respect made this day truly special.

Thank you to everyone who attended, participated and supported the event — including parade marshals, standard bearers, uniformed organisations and all who helped make the day run smoothly.

We will remember them.



# POPPIES TO PADDINGTON

On the morning of Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November , Councillor Harris proudly delivered a wreath on behalf of Lydney Town Council as part of the Poppies to Paddington remembrance tribute.

The initiative sees wreaths from across the region travel by train to London Paddington, forming a poignant act of remembrance for all those who served and sacrificed.



# CHRISTMAS EVENT

Lydney Town Council would like to thank everyone who helped make this year's Christmas event such a success.

Thank you to all the volunteers, marshals, traders, performers, community groups and support teams who gave their time, energy and enthusiasm. Your hard work before, during and after the event made the day truly special.

We are also grateful to the residents and families who came along to celebrate with us. Seeing the community come together is what makes this event so meaningful.

A huge thank you as well to everyone who worked behind the scenes on planning, setting up, coordinating the parade and ensuring the event ran safely and smoothly. Your support and teamwork make events like this possible.



# Lydney Town Hall

## Upcoming events

### Dark Tones at New Years Eve

Date: 31st December 2025

Time: Doors open 7pm

Location: Lydney Town Hall

Celebration



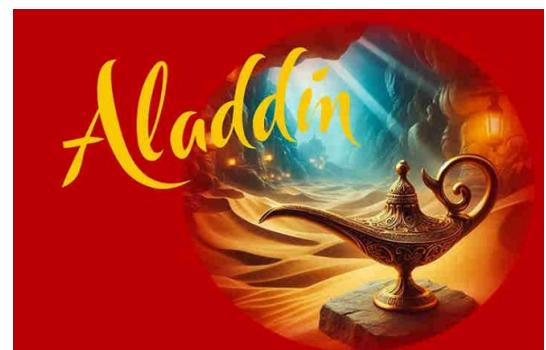
### Dean Theatre Company present: Aladdin

Start date: 16th January 2026

End date: 18th January 2026

Location: Lydney Town Hall

Performance



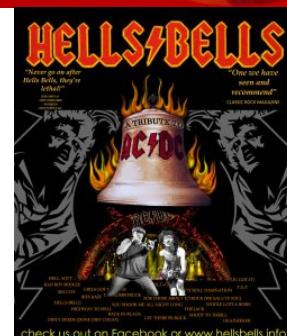
### Hells Bells – AC/DC tribute

Date: 7th February 2026

Time: Doors open 7pm

Location: Lydney Town Hall

\* LTH event \* | Concert



### The 1960s Talent show

Date: 14th February 2026

Time: Doors open 7pm

Location: Lydney Town Hall

\* LTH event \* | Concert



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Cllr Carol Harris (Vice Chair)

**Personnel Committee**

Cllr Roger Holmes (Chair)

Cllr Tasha Saunders (Vice Chair)

**Planning and Highway Committee**

Cllr Carol Harris (Chair)

Cllr Pam Johns (Vice Chair)

**Amenities Committee**

Cllr Susan Holmes (Chair)

Cllr Tasha Saunders (Vice Chair)

**Burial Committee**

Cllr Emma Taylor (Chair)

Cllr Carol Harris (Vice Chair)

**Regeneration Committee**

Cllr Pam Johns (Chair)

Cllr Carol Harris (Vice-Chair)

**Lydney Recreation Trust**

Trustee Tasha Saunders (Chair)

Trustee Steve Cave (Vice Chair)

**Bathurst Park and Recreational Trust**

Trustee Tasha Saunders (Chair)

Trustee Tracey Lindsay (Vice Chair)

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## LYDNEY TOWN COUNCIL UPCOMING MEETINGS

Lydney Town Council  
Municipal Year 2025/2026

Annual Meeting of Council												May-25												Jun-25												Jul-25																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																						
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Planning & Highways starts at 6pm unless otherwise indicated.												Full Council Starts at 7pm unless otherwise indicated.												Bathurst Park & Recreation Trust Starts at 7pm.												Lydney Recreation Trust Commences after the conclusion of the Bathurst Park & Recreation Trust Meeting.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																						
Personnel Committee meetings will be called when necessary.												The Annual Town meeting will be held at the Town Hall High St, Lydney GL15 5DY. The date for this meeting is yet to be decided.												August Recess- No Council/Committee Meetings: Planning Decisions Taken under S101 Delegated Powers.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																		
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All meetings occur at Lydney Town Council, Council Chambers, Claremont House, High Street, Lydney, Gloucestershire, GL15 5DX Unless otherwise indicated.