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**FAVERSHAM**  
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# Faversham Town Council Granted Permission to Proceed with Judicial Review for Ham Marshes

Faversham Town Council has been granted permission by the High Court to proceed with a judicial review challenging the recent planning decision allowing housing development on Ham Marshes. This decision marks a critical step in the Council's ongoing efforts to protect this much-loved local green space adjacent to Faversham Creek.



The judicial review will consider whether the planning process followed the correct legal procedures, including the proper application of the Sequential and Exception Tests, and the handling of flood risk and mitigation measures. The review also helps to defend the Faversham Neighbourhood Plan, which directs development away from areas at risk of flooding.

This permission to proceed is only possible thanks to careful planning and the support of the local community. While the Council, the Faversham Society and Faversham Creek Trust have earmarked funds towards legal costs, the total estimated costs are between £70,000 and £100,000 and further support from local residents and organisations is crucial.



The Council, together with Faversham Society, Faversham Creek Trust, and Save Ham Marshes, is asking the community to pledge financial support to help fund this vital challenge. Every pledge helps ensure the Council can continue the fight to protect Ham Marshes for future generations.

To make a pledge and support this important cause, please visit:

[www.favershamtowncouncil.gov.uk/save-ham-marshes/](http://www.favershamtowncouncil.gov.uk/save-ham-marshes/)



**SAVE  
HAM  
MARSHES**

**Help raise £100,000**

To fund a formal legal Appeal to the Secretary of State to stop 250 new houses being built on coastal floodplain

   **THE FAVERSHAM SOCIETY**  
FOUNDED 1844  
FLEUR DE LIS HERITAGE CENTRE  
ESTABLISHED 1844

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# Preserving Faversham's Guildhall

**In the winter edition of the newsletter, the works required to the Guildhall following the most recent Quinquennial Report were outlined.**

Residents were asked to support an application to the Public Works Loan Board for a loan of £200,000 to fund these repairs. Over 98% of respondents supported the proposal for a loan to be taken, and the application was subsequently submitted and approved.

Following detailed budget discussions at the Annual Finance Meeting on 19 January, Members agreed the scope of the works. These include repairs to the roof, leadwork and woodwork, as well as external decoration. The works are expected to have a lifespan of 15 years, which aligns with the repayment period of the loan.

The Guildhall was last externally decorated in 2011, some 15 years ago. This time the Keim paint system will be used, which carries a 10-year warranty and is expected to prolong the life of the paintwork.

As part of the overall project, a paint historian was appointed. Their report confirms the colours that were used when the Guildhall was rebuilt in 1814. Two shades were used: a darker shade on the first-floor walls and a lighter shade on the rusticated ground-floor walls of the tower. While the original colours were quite pale, as the nineteenth century progressed, the same two-tone scheme was retained, but the shades used became darker. The full report is available on the Town Council website.

On this occasion, the Guildhall will be repainted green, but perhaps next time it is painted, in 2041, the original colour scheme will be reinstated!



# Faversham Town Council sets a balanced budget for 2026–2027, investing in services, heritage and community well-being

Faversham Town Council has approved a balanced budget of £1,015,300 for the 2026–2027 financial year, ensuring that income and expenditure are fully aligned while continuing to invest in the services and facilities that matter most to residents.

The approved budget also represents good value for money for residents. For the average Band D property, the cost of Faversham Town Council services in 2026–2027 will be £2.50 per week, less than the price of a takeaway coffee, helping to fund community services, local events, heritage buildings, green spaces and essential town facilities enjoyed by residents and visitors alike.



The Council's main source of income continues to be the town precept, which is £973,600, alongside income from services such as the Guildhall, events, lettings, tourism activity and community initiatives. Careful budgeting and forward planning have enabled the Council to maintain essential services while supporting community projects across the town.

The Council has also made provision for ongoing building maintenance, utilities, insurance and compliance, ensuring that community assets such as the Guildhall, Town Quay, Market Place premises and public facilities are properly cared for.

Cllr Josh Rowlands, Mayor of Faversham Town Council, said:

"Setting a balanced budget is about more than just the numbers. This budget reflects our commitment to protecting essential services, investing in our community and managing public money responsibly. Despite rising costs, we have delivered a budget that supports Faversham's people, heritage and environment."

Faversham Town Council remains committed to good financial governance, ensuring that residents' contributions are used wisely to deliver real benefits for the town now and in the future.

A poster for Faversham's Annual Town Meeting. The background is dark blue with a faint image of a crowd. The text is in white and yellow. The title 'Faversham's Annual Town Meeting' is prominent. Below it, it says 'This is YOUR meeting! Talk Openly, Share Opinions & Ask Burning Questions' with an icon of three people. The date and time are 'TUESDAY 17 MARCH' at 'The Assembly Rooms' with doors opening at 6.30pm and the meeting commencing at 7.30pm. It mentions a performance by the Faversham Musical Theatre Choir. The agenda items include award presentations, community lottery, cheques presentation, and public participation. More information is available at the council's website.

**Faversham's**

# Annual Town Meeting

This is YOUR meeting!  
Talk Openly, Share Opinions  
& Ask Burning Questions



From 6.30pm come and visit  
local groups and organisations  
who received grants in 2025

**TUESDAY**  
**17 MARCH**

The Assembly Rooms  
Doors open 6.30pm  
Meeting commences 7.30pm

Performance from the  
Faversham Musical Theatre  
Choir

**Agenda items include:**

- AWARD PRESENTATIONS
- COMMUNITY LOTTERY
- CHEQUES PRESENTATION
- PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - YOUR AGENDA ITEMS

**More information:**  
[www.favershamtowncouncil.gov.uk](http://www.favershamtowncouncil.gov.uk)

# Oare Gunpowder Works

We are pleased to share an update on the next stage of work at Oare Gunpowder Works, marking an important step forward in the site's future as a heritage, cultural and community asset.

We have now formally engaged Purcell, a nationally recognised conservation and heritage architecture practice, to carry out feasibility and concept design work for the site. This work is being supported by £60,000 of UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) funding, secured to help shape sustainable long-term uses for Oare Gunpowder Works.



The programme of work currently underway includes:

- Site analysis, including heritage value assessment and review of current access and use
- Design and infrastructure options, exploring sensitive improvements that respect the site's historic significance
- Planning and regulatory review, including early engagement on heritage and consent requirements
- Financial feasibility and risk assessment, to ensure proposals are viable and sustainable
- Recommendations and tender support, helping set a clear roadmap for future delivery



A key focus of the feasibility work is the potential to update and enhance the visitor centre, allowing it to better support:

- Community events and workshops
- Classes and learning activities
- A welcoming café offer to improve the visitor experience and encourage longer stays

Alongside this, we are exploring the possibility of taking over the lease from Swale Borough Council, which would give greater local control over the management and future development of the site.

We are also delighted to confirm that Artists in the Wood will return on 19 July, bringing creative activity back to Oare Gunpowder Works and continuing its role as a place for culture, nature and community engagement.

Further updates will be shared as the feasibility work progresses and proposals are refined.



# Pedestrian Improvements in the Pipeline

*Cllr Julian Saunders*

**Thank you to residents who supported the North South Walking Route Exhibition the Town Council held in October and gave their views on the priorities for pedestrian improvements along a corridor running from Perry Court and the A2 through to Davington and North Preston.**

The most frequently mentioned intervention areas were similar to our consultants' priority areas, with a pedestrian crossing on North Lane near the brewery and a surface crossing of the A2 near the Abbey School coming up most frequently. There was also good support for action at a number of other locations– the A2 near Brogdale Rd, the Mall/Forbes Road junction, West Street by Stonebridge Pond and Stone Street by Dorset Place.

Comments about the three designed out visualisations on display at the exhibition were generally positive, although some residents were concerned about safety risks and potential congestion. Almost all residents who commented on the North Lane design wanted to see a zebra crossing rather than a controlled crossing

Exhibition visitors generally supported the 20mph scheme and the work carried out as part of the East West Walking Route. Negative comments were mainly about traffic ignoring the 20mph limit, a lack of enforcement and interventions creating more congestion. In terms of other improvements respondents wanted to see controls on pavement parking and improved lighting of pavements and alleys.



*Cllr Julian Saunders on part of the North South Walking Route*

The Town Council will be sharing this feedback with Kent County Council, who have made some positive announcements in relation to Faversham recently.

Firstly, they have set aside Active Travel funding for more detailed design of improvements on the North-South route as well as an additional sum to complete any further changes needed to support the Faversham east/west walking route

Secondly, they also reported to the Swale Joint Transportation Board in December that “the Faversham north-south route and specifically one or two junctions or crossing improvements likely to be put forward for construction funds” following the completion of the planned design work on this project.

Finally, councillors have been made aware that KCC officers have been doing design work for a potential surface level, controlled crossing of the A2 near the Abbey School entrance.

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## **Saving Lives in Faversham: Why Public Defibrillators and Bleed Kits Matter**

*Cllr Rob Crayford*

**Across Faversham, our community is stepping up to make sure life-saving equipment is available when it's needed most.**

Publicly accessible heart defibrillators (AEDs) and bleed-control kits are now essential parts of modern emergency response — and they are already making a difference in towns like ours.

Sudden cardiac arrest can affect anyone, at any time. Survival drops by around 10% every minute without defibrillation, which means an ambulance alone often can't arrive quickly enough. Having defibrillators on our estates, at community venues, shops and sports areas gives residents a real chance of surviving those first critical minutes. In Faversham, we're proud that more of these devices are appearing across the town thanks to community efforts, local charities and dedicated volunteers.

Bleed-control kits are equally vital. Serious bleeding can lead to death within minutes, whether from accidents, collisions or violent incidents. Accessible bleed kits across the town give members of the public the tools to keep someone alive until paramedics arrive.

But having equipment is only half the job. To save lives, these devices must be registered so 999 operators can guide people to them instantly. All local defibrillators should be logged on The Circuit – the national defibrillator network. Without registration, 999 can't direct you to the nearest device. Residents can also find equipment using Defib Finder (for AEDs) and Bleed Map UK (for bleed kits). More registered devices across Faversham means more lives saved — and every resident can play a part.

# Join Faversham's Community Resilience Project!

A new pilot project is underway in Swale to help residents, local councils and community groups prepare for emergencies such as flooding, severe weather and power outages.

The Strengthening Preparedness Together in Swale initiative offers free online and in-person training to build skills, confidence and local resilience. By working together, communities can reduce the impact of emergencies and recover faster.

Faversham Town Council is excited to launch the Faversham Community Resilience Project, helping our town prepare for such emergencies. A recent assessment showed that Faversham has room to improve its local preparedness and now we need residents like you to help make a difference.

We are building a Community Resilience Response Team of volunteers who will play a key role in supporting the community during emergencies. Volunteers will help at coordination points and shelters, share important information, assist those affected, and ensure everyone stays informed.

The project is already underway, with action plans in place, and volunteer roles being defined. The next step is recruiting committed volunteers to bring the plan to life and strengthen Faversham's resilience.

**Are you prepared for emergencies in Swale?**

Join our **FREE WEBINAR SERIES** offered to anyone living in Swale to prepare your family and community for emergencies in your area.

Choose the right training for your needs  
**January to March 2026**

- Swale (Kent) Flood Volunteer**  
Flooding is a major issue for many in Swale. Learn how to prepare and take actions before, during and after a flood, as well as preparation strategies and actions during a flood.
- Swale (Kent) Storm Volunteer**  
Essential knowledge and practical skills to face increasingly frequent and intense storms happening in Swale.
- Swale (Kent) Community Emergency Planning**  
Feel confident to gather volunteers and develop your community emergency plan. Using real-life scenarios and practical examples, you will learn how to develop and maintain your plan.
- Swale (Kent) Winter Prepared**  
Think ahead about how you can be resilient to risks caused by cold weather in the winter months and how you can support others around you too.
- Swale (Kent) Preparing for Utilities Outage**  
Floods, heatwaves and storms bring many impacts that affect communities. Utilities outage is a major impact in Swale, including power and water outage. Know what to do if this happens to you.

Logos: Swale Resilience, Kent and Medway Resilience Forum, Book here, QR code

By joining, you'll help protect your community, gain valuable experience, and make a real difference when it matters most.

Want to be more resilient or interested in volunteering?

Sign up to some free webinars during March to strengthen your resilience, details on the poster.

Contact Faversham Town Council today to find out how you can get involved on:

[communityresilience@favershamtowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:communityresilience@favershamtowncouncil.gov.uk)

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# Faversham Healthy Futures - Faversham and the NHS 10 Year Plan

*Gill Wagstaff and Laurie McMahon, Joint Project Leads - Faversham Healthy Futures*

**The publication of the NHS 10 Year Plan prompted us to run a second 'live talk' health event for Faversham. With its emphasis on Neighbourhood Health, the Plan presented an opportunity to consider how the aspirations of the town, as developed at our 2024 event, could now be achieved.**

We are pleased to say that what has emerged is a clear, practical way to begin the development of a more neighbourhood-oriented health and care system for the town and its surrounding villages.

The talk took the format of "Question Time" with a panel of local experts from the NHS in Kent followed by facilitated discussion groups made up from members of the audience.

From the remarks of our expert panel and the comments made by the discussion groups, it seems that there is broad agreement about what Neighbourhood Health should look like in Faversham. However, starting to make it all happen will require two parallel developments:

- First, there needs to be a more formal and consistent way of representing local people's interests in relation to their health and care.
- Second, the health service and its partners need to create a single entity that will be responsible for planning and integrating the delivery of health and care services for the people of Faversham.

The Final Report "Faversham and the NHS 10 Year Plan - What should our neighbourhood expect?" can be found on our web site:

<https://favershamtowncouncil.gov.uk/directory/faversham-healthy-futures/>

We will keep you informed of developments.



# Connected Together: Support with the Digital Switchover

The UK's telephone network is changing, with landlines moving from analogue to digital as part of a nationwide upgrade.

This is an industry-wide change affecting anyone who uses a landline they want to keep. To help residents understand what's happening, we're proud to support BT's Connected Together initiative.

The existing analogue network is no longer fit for modern needs and will be switched off for all providers in January 2027. BT's new landline service is called Digital Voice. The good news is that landlines are not going away, and for most people the switch will be straightforward.

Here's what you need to know:

- The switch is free
- Phone numbers will not change
- Over 99% of handsets already work with Digital Voice
- You'll gain helpful features like Voicemail, 3-Way Calling and Call Protect to reduce nuisance and scam calls
- Free engineer visits are available for those who need extra support
- Backup power solutions are provided free for eligible customers, so calls can still be made during power cuts
- If you don't have broadband, BT can provide a dedicated landline service, with no new equipment or home visit required

We know this change may feel worrying, especially for those who rely on their landline for safety or independence. BT has created a Conversation Starter Pack to help friends, families and neighbours talk through the change and offer support.

You can help by checking in on someone who may need reassurance and sharing this information.

**Find out more at:** [www.bt.com/about/all-ip/connected-together](http://www.bt.com/about/all-ip/connected-together)

**Call:** **0330 1234 150**

# Shaping Faversham's Future: The Community Governance Review

*Cllr Ben Martin*

**As our town continues to grow, it is vital that our council remains fit for purpose. Throughout early 2026, Swale Borough Council has been conducting a Community Governance Review (CGR)—a formal process to ensure that the electoral arrangements and boundaries of our town are effective and represent our unique identity.**

This review is a landmark moment. Faversham's boundaries were last significantly reviewed in the 1970s as part of the reforms that established the current Town and Borough system in 1974. After fifty years of growth, this review ensures our democratic structures finally catch up with the modern reality of our town.

## **Why does this matter for Faversham?**

The review looks closely at how our town is divided and represented. For Faversham Town Council, several key proposals are being considered:

- **Ward Changes:** A proposal to split the current Watling Ward into two smaller wards (East and West) to ensure local councillors can better serve their specific neighbourhoods.
- **Stronger Representation:** Increasing the number of councillors for Priory Ward and Watling Ward to reflect the growing number of electors.
- **Boundary Adjustments:** Incorporating homes, new developments and areas on the edges of town so those residents are fully represented by the Town Council.

## **The Move to a Unitary Council: Why Local Voice Matters**

You may have heard about the wider Local Government Review proposing to replace Kent's "three-tier" system (Town, Borough, and County) with a single Unitary Council.

This change would have a profound impact on Faversham's representation. Currently, Faversham is represented by:

- 1 Kent County Councillor
- 7 Swale Borough Councillors

Based on the options put forward by district, borough and KCC, these 8 representatives would be replaced by 1, 2 or 3 Unitary Councillors serving the whole of Faversham, depending upon the option taken forward by the Secretary of State.

The Town Council's Vital Role: With representation at the "principal" council level set to decrease so significantly, Faversham Town Council will become more important than ever. While the new Unitary Council will be much larger and more distant, the Town Council will remain your most direct, local voice.

Completing this Community Governance Review now ensures that our Town Council is robust, correctly sized, and ready to take on a greater role in protecting Faversham's interests in this new political landscape.

## Where are we now?

The first stage of public consultation closed on February 9, 2026. Swale Borough Council is currently analysing this feedback to produce a set of Draft Recommendations.

## What happens next?

Once the Draft Recommendations are published (expected later this spring), a second round of public consultation will begin. This will be your opportunity to comment on the specific proposed changes before a final decision is made.

For more information and to view the ongoing progress of the review, please visit Swale Borough Council at: [www.swale.gov.uk/cgr](http://www.swale.gov.uk/cgr)

# Solar Cycle Way

*Cllr Charles Gibson*

"In other good news for walking and cycling the long awaited solar cycle way helping to link the town with our nearest beach at Seasalter has partially opened.



*Cllr Charles Gibson on the Solar Cycle Way*



As the map shows you can now cycle much more of the route safely off the road. The town council will continue to work with partners to complete the route. "

# WHAT'S ON IN FAVERSHAM

# 2026 EVENTS CALENDAR

## THROUGHOUT 2026

### Triple Market Weekend Market Place

The first weekend of the month is the perfect time to visit Faversham town centre, with Faversham Charter Market and Best of Faversham Market trading on the first Saturday and Faversham Antiques Market on the first Sunday of the month.

### Alexander Centre Preston Street

Beautiful venue regularly holding fairs, workshops, children's entertainment and other daytime activities for all the family. An artisan craft market is held here on the first and third Saturday of the month.

## FEBRUARY

### Faversham Literary Festival

20 February - 1 March

Venues throughout Faversham town centre

A programme of literary events including talks, presentations and readings by high-profile, leading authors, poets and writers.



## MARCH

### International Women's Day

6 March, 10am - 12pm

12 Market Place

Charity stalls and delicious refreshments provided by Faversham Gunpowder WI.

NEW FOR 2026

### Spring Fair and Easter Bonnet Parade

St Mary of Charity Church

28 March, 10am - 2pm

Have fun creating beautiful bonnets for the Easter Parade and celebrate the arrival of spring with a craft fair in the grounds of St Mary of Charity Church. Bonnet Parade takes place at 1pm.

## MAY

### Active Walking Month

Watch out for a timetable of fun activities encouraging people to leave their cars behind and explore Faversham on foot.

### Faversham Festival of Transport

16 - 17 May, 10am - 4pm

Faversham town centre

Displays of vintage cars, buses, commercial vehicles and motorcycles.

There will be live music, market stalls and street entertainment. Don't miss the vintage bus rides on Saturday or the steam engines display on Sunday.



## JUNE

### Active Cycling Month

Initiatives throughout Faversham to help you dust off your cycle helmet and rediscover the joys of travelling by bike.

### Thomas Becket

5 - 6 June

St Mary of Charity Church

Talk on the Becket Chapel in the parish church, 7.30pm on Friday. Walk from the church to Canterbury, 10am on Saturday.

### Faversham in the 40s

14 June, 10am - 4pm

Market Place & Court Street

Commemorate this bygone era with wartime music and dancing; vintage stalls; military and vintage vehicles plus traditional food and drink.



### ECO Fair

21 June, 9am - 2pm

Market Place & Court Street

Join local businesses, charities, and activist groups, showcasing community power and celebrating local climate action.

NEW FOR 2026

### Faversham Open Gardens and Garden Market

28 June, 10am - 4pm

Market Place & Court Street

Unique opportunity to visit over 20 private and community gardens in and around Faversham. The Garden Market in Faversham Market Place will be selling a selection of plants, crafts and gardenalia.

## JULY

### Faversham Pirate Festival

5 July, 10am - 4pm

Town Quay & Front Bents



Enjoy a day of pirate fun, nautical displays, children's entertainment, sea shanties, local fresh fish and more. Cannons will be fired at 11.30am & 2.30pm.

### Artists in the Woods

19 July, 10am - 4pm

Oare Gunpowder Works

Follow the art trail and discover works by local artists in the beautiful nature reserve and country park at Oare Gunpowder Works.

NEW FOR 2026

### Faversham Pride

25 July, from 12pm

West Faversham Community Centre

Family fun day followed by an over 18s evening afterparty. For all the community to have fun and celebrate Pride together.

## AUGUST

### Faversham Safari

2 August, 9am - 6pm

Throughout Faversham

Table top and garage sales outside hundreds of properties around Faversham. **Coincides with Faversham Antiques Market taking place in the Market Place.**

### Family Jam-boree Days

4 August, 10am - 2pm

Front Bents Green

12 August, 10am - 2pm

Faversham Recreation Ground

Entertain the children during the school holidays with free activities arranged by Faversham Town Council - with face painting, activities, crafts and more.

## SEPTEMBER

### Hop Festival

5 - 6 September

Throughout Faversham

town centre

A popular weekend celebrating Faversham's hop-growing history. Two days packed with live music, street food, family entertainment, funfair rides, parades and morris dancing.



### Guildhall Wedding Fair and Open Day

12 September, 10am - 2pm

Guildhall, Market Place

An opportunity for couples planning their big day to meet a selection of Faversham's wedding-related businesses. Held in Faversham's gorgeous historic Guildhall.

### Open Faversham

16 - 19 September

10am - 5pm

St Mary of Charity Church

From Source of the Westbrook to the Sea. Exhibition celebrating the contemporary, cultural, built, industrial and natural heritage of our waterway.

NEW FOR 2026

### Scarecrow Trail

19 & 20 September

10am - 4pm

Throughout Faversham

Residents and businesses will be creating and displaying their fabulous scarecrows for visitors to enjoy.

Follow the scarecrow map and vote for your favourite.

### Medieval and Tudor Festival

27 September

10am - 3pm

Town Quay & Front Bents

Step back into Medieval and Tudor times in historic Faversham for a full day of historical reenactments, immersive history and family entertainment.



## OCTOBER

### Faversham Carnival

17 October

Procession starts from

Whitstable Road at 6.30pm

Floats featuring carnival queens from across the county, with colourful displays and entertainment from local organisations.

### Howl-O-ween Woof Fest and Dog Parade

31 October, 10am - 1pm

Faversham Recreation

Ground

Dress up your furry friends in their scariest Halloween costumes and take part in the annual Howl-O-ween Dog Parade.

## NOVEMBER

### Remembrance Day Parade and Service

8 November, 10.30am

Faversham War Memorial

Garden, Stone Street

St. Mary of Charity Church

There will be a parade and service of remembrance to honour the armed forces and their families.

### Christmas Lights Switch On

28 November

Lights Switch on in Market

Place, 5pm

Preston Street Christmas

Market, 4pm - 8pm

Kickstart Christmas with Faversham's famous Christmas Lights Switch On, with festive live music, a visit from Santa plus stalls selling gifts, crafts & street food.

## DECEMBER

### Faversham Christmas Market Weekend

11, 12 & 13 December

9am - 4pm, Friday & Saturday

10am - 3pm Sunday

Market Place & Court Street

Shop for unique gifts, decorations and accessories, along with seasonal food and drink.

Enjoy festive music and entertainment as well

as a cuddle with the Happy Endings donkeys.



### Carols in the Market Place

23 December, 7pm

Celebrate the magic of Christmas with a good old sing-along to festive music, accompanied by Faversham Mission Brass.



**FAVERSHAM TOWN COUNCIL**

# SUNFLOWER GROWING COMPETITION

**CAN YOU GROW FAVERSHAM'S TALLEST SUNFLOWER? 2026**

**Categories include:**

- Grown in the ground
- Grown in a pot
- 16 and Under

Check our website at:  
<https://favershamtowncouncil.gov.uk/faversham-sunflower-growing-competition-2025/> for updates when seeds will be available!

The competition will run from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2026 until 31<sup>st</sup> July 2026

For more info contact Rob:  
[rob.gibbs@favershamtowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:rob.gibbs@favershamtowncouncil.gov.uk) or call 01795 503286

## Swale FoE have organised the following litter picks

with The Creek Trust at  
**Faversham Creek and Abbeyfields on Sunday March 22nd**  
 (meet in car park at Standard Quay)

with 'Plastic Free Faversham' at  
**Bysingwood on Sunday March 29th**  
 (meet on bypass close to Community Centre)



**ABBEY WARD**  
 Cllr Josh Rowlands (Mayor of Faversham)  
 Cllr Laura Coniam  
 Cllr Charles Gibson\*  
 Cllr Hannah Perkin\*

**PRIORY WARD**  
 Cllr Alex Eyre\*  
 Cllr Peter Cook

**ST ANN'S WARD**  
 Cllr Rob Crayford  
 Cllr Kieran Golding\*  
 Cllr Robert Newman  
 Cllr Julian Saunders

**WATLING WARD**  
 Cllr Becky Jones  
 Cllr Ben Martin\*  
 Cllr Claire Martin (Deputy Mayor)\*  
 Cllr Trevor Martin

\* Swale Borough Council Member

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	Start Time	March	April	May	June
<b>Full Council</b>					
Town Council (2 <sup>nd</sup> Mon)	7pm	9	13	11	8
Planning Committee (2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Mon)	6pm	9 23	13 27	11 25	8 22
<b>Committees</b>					
Active Travel Committee (1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs)	7.30pm	5	2	7	4
Community Committee (3 <sup>rd</sup> Mon)	7.30pm	16	20	18	15
Environment Committee (2 <sup>nd</sup> Wed)	7.30pm	11	8	13	10
Heritage, Buildings and Creek Committee (1 <sup>st</sup> Wed)	7.30pm	4	1	6	3
Policy & Resources Committee (1 <sup>st</sup> Mon)	7.30pm	2	6	5 (Tues)	1

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