

# A FEW WORDS FROM THE TOWN MAYOR

## PETERSFIELD TOWN MAYOR'S Charity Auction



This amazing lovingly made quilt is up for grabs via a silent auction

Bid via email to [admin@petersfield-tc.gov.uk](mailto:admin@petersfield-tc.gov.uk) or in person at Petersfield Town Hall - Deadline 03/10/2018 - proceeds to HOMESTART BUTSER

The quilt made by a group of friends including the Mayor herself will be on display at SEW CREATIVE and then go onto PETERSFIELD LIBRARY before its forever home is revealed at the FAMILY CRAFT FAIR at THE FESTIVAL HALL on SAT 6 OCT 2018

**Home Start**  
Support and friendship for families

## Chosen Charity

Home-Start is one of the leading family support charities in the UK.

Home-Start volunteers help families with young children deal with the challenges they face. They support parents as they learn to cope, improve their confidence and build better lives for their children.

Our Summer Concert on 4th July in St Peter's Church raised a brilliant **£1,054.12** for Home-Start Butser. Well done to all of us, and thank you to everyone who came!!

*Petersfield Community Choir*



## Town Mayor's Regalia

### THE MAYORAL BADGE OF OFFICE PETERSFIELD TOWN MAYOR

During 1970 ITS Rubber Co. Ltd., Sandringham Road, Petersfield wrote to the then Petersfield Urban District Council asking if there was some gift it could make to the Council/Town to commemorate their success in manufacture at the same address for 50 years.

At the same time Mr. K. A. Oates, then Chairman of the Council, had suggested that some distinguishing badge of office should be obtained for the Chairman, since at official gatherings of Councils, the only Chairman without some form of badge (or collar) was from the Petersfield Urban District.

This suggestion was put to ITS Ltd., who welcomed it and asked that a badge be designed.

Mr. J. Thomas, Engineer and Surveyor, was asked to put sketches of a possible badge before the Council. The basis of the sketches were:-

1. The Old Borough of Petersfield Coat of Arms, i.e. The Hampshire Rose with a black circle and four black balls in its centre mounted on a shield.
2. Over the shield in (1) the dates 1150 to 1885 representing the length of life of the Old Borough from its first Charter of Incorporation by William, Earl of Gloucester making Petersfield a Borough in the Radnorshire Act 1885 by which Act Petersfield lost its Borough Status.
3. The dates 1895 - 1974 and the words Petersfield Urban District represent the life of the former Petersfield Urban District Council.

The whole representing continuous Local Government for over 800 years.

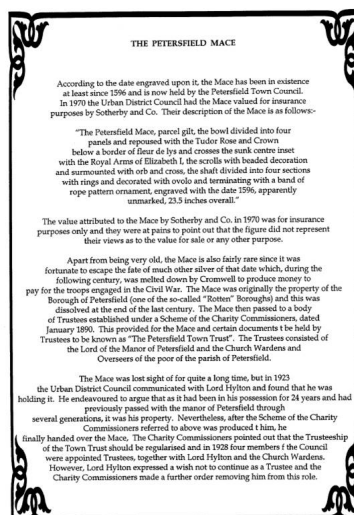
The Petersfield Town Council is represented by the date 1974 when it was incorporated by the Local Government Act 1972 and this was added to the badge in 1976.

The whole was arranged in an attractive modern three dimensional design executed in gold by Thomas Fawcett Limited, Gold and Silversmiths of Birmingham. The total cost at 1970 prices was £800.

Petersfield Town Council

The Chain of office was kindly presented to the town in 1969 by ITS Rubber Ltd, Sandringham Road, in order to commemorate the firm's fiftieth year in association with the Town.

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THE PETERSFIELD MACE

According to the date engraved upon it, the Mace has been in existence at least since 1596 and is now held by the Petersfield Town Council. In 1970 the Urban District Council had the Mace valued for insurance purposes by Sotherby and Co. Their description of the Mace is as follows:-

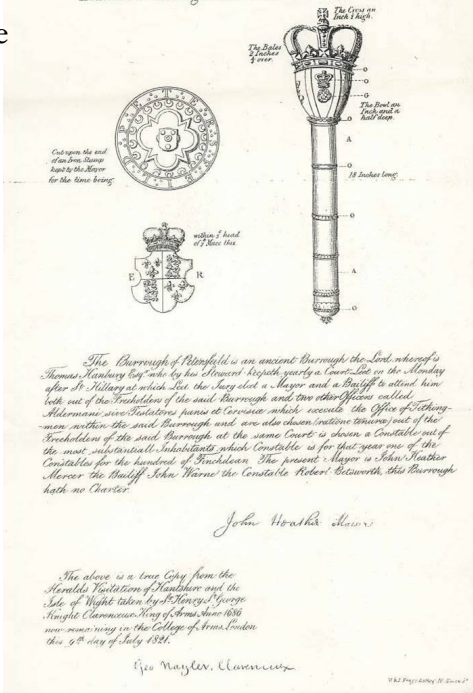
"The Petersfield Mace, parcel gilt, the bowl divided into four panels and reposed with the Tudor Rose and Crown below a border of fleur de lys and crosses the sunk centre inset with the Royal Arms of Elizabeth I, the scrolls with beaded decoration and surmounted with orb and cross, the shaft divided into four sections with rings and decorated with ovals and terminating with a band of rope pattern ornament, engraved with the date 1596, apparently unmarked, 23.5 inches overall."

The value attributed to the Mace by Sotherby and Co. in 1970 was for insurance purposes only and they were at pains to point out that the figure did not represent their views as to the value for sale or any other purpose.

Apart from being very old, the Mace is also fairly rare since it was fortunate to escape the fate of much other silver of that date which, during the following century, was melted down by Cromwell to produce money to pay for the troops engaged in the Civil War. The Mace was originally the property of the Borough of Petersfield (one of the so-called "rotten" Boroughs) and this was dissolved at the end of the last century. The Mace then passed to a body of Trustees established under a Scheme of the Charity Commissioners, dated January 1890. This provided for the Mace and certain documents to be held by Trustees to be known as "The Petersfield Town Trust". The Trustees consisted of the Lord of the Manor of Petersfield and the Church Wardens and Overseers of the poor of the parish of Petersfield.

The Mace was lost sight of for quite a long time, but in 1923 the Urban District Council communicated with Lord Hylton and found that he was holding it. He endeavoured to argue that as it had been in his possession for 24 years and had previously passed with the manor of Petersfield through several generations, it was his property. Nevertheless, after the Scheme of the Charity Commissioners referred to above was produced to him, he finally handed over the Mace. The Charity Commissioners pointed out that the Trusteeship of the Town Trust should be re-established and in 1928 four members of the Council were appointed Trustees, together with Lord Hylton and the Church Wardens. However, Lord Hylton expressed a wish not to continue as a Trustee and the Charity Commissioners made a further order removing him from this role.

*Fac-Simile Transcript from the Herald's Visitation of Hampshire, and the Vale of Whitcher, Anno. 1686 now remaining in the COLLEGE of ARMS, LONDON.*







## Town Mayor's Public Engagements

On Friday 13 July Hilary Ayer proudly cut the ribbon to officially open the Town's Annual Award ceremony to celebrate the awesome community in Petersfield.



**LOVE YOUR BONES**

## Love your Bones

Love Your Bones is the global symbol for bone health that unites us in the fight against osteoporosis.

The Love Your Bones Tour Bus came to Petersfield on 17 July 2018 when Hilary met the team.



Butser Home-Start  
**SUMMER**  
 MUSIC FESTIVAL

10-11 August 2018

## Rugby League Day Luncheon at Petersfield Rugby Club Raises £500 for Home Start Butser.



## Forthcoming Events

**Sat 6 October 2018, Festival Hall**

### It Takes a Village to Raise a Child

Family Craft & Activity Fair - FREE ENTRY - FREE ACTIVITIES - Creative Workshops - Story Corner by Michelle Magorian & Friends - Face Painting - Crafts Stalls - Wine Tasting, plus non alcoholic refreshments too! Join Damian Hinds MP for coffee!

**Fri-Sat 10-11 August 2018**

### Half Moon, Sheet

### Summer Music Festival

Gin Bar - BBQ - Live Music - Children's Entertainment

**Don't forget to ENTER the silent auction for your chance of winning the amazing technicolour handmade quilt!**

## Litter-pick

**2-5pm Sunday 5th August**

For more details and to register your interest in joining the next litter-pick, please contact Beth Svarovska, a Trustee of the Petersfield Society, by email or phone:

[beth@bethpilates.com](mailto:beth@bethpilates.com), [07503 655870](tel:07503655870)



Petersfield in Bloom Judges join the Town Mayor for tea and cakes before the all important task.

Hilary Ayer will be at the Award Ceremony in the Rose Room at the Festival Hall on Thursday 4 Oct 2018.



## FAMILY CRAFT & ACTIVITY FAIR

# IT TAKES A VILLAGE TO RAISE A CHILD

**SATURDAY 6 OCTOBER 2018**  
**PETERSFIELD FESTIVAL HALL**  
**09:30 - 17:00**



in aid of:  
Petersfield Town Mayor's Chosen Charity

