

Councillor Peacey Wilcox IWC Councillor Report: August 2026

As always, a few of the issues you have raised with me.....!

PELHAM ROAD: Thanks to my eagle-eyed resident who was able to give me much information about the need for a removal of up to 3 disabled parking bays. They had done their research and I am pleased to say, within next 3 months, those spaces will once again be available to all.

BERNARD ROAD: Contrary to the above, I met with a resident who needs a disabled bay outside their home, which will be going in shortly.

Please be considerate on these discretionary bays which are VITAL for their resident's accessibility, including very poorly wheelchair users.

NEWPORT ROAD: The ongoing issue of the hideous situation between Stephenson's and Bellevue. What I witnessed down there with Island roads and the IWC was shocking. The poor bin men in 34o heat trying to empty the bins, with the truck blocking the road. Residents obviously in a dire need, driving on the pavement to get by. The bin men were in danger and it just made the situation worse. I hope we have a solution coming forward shortly which means NO LOSS of critical parking space, but a larger pull in space for traffic in the area. I will keep you posted.

AGG SHOW: What a superb event again this year. I bumped into so many people; it's like an annual reunion! Congratulations to all involved in putting this epic event on. From the smooth parking, entrance working well, the vast exhibitors which is so diverse, and the fabulous local produce. The breeze was very welcome up there. See you next year!

COWES WEEK: RANDINI is back!! On the parade the Tuesday and Thursday of Cowes Week. The new Youth Zone will be there, with UKSA arranging free sailing lessons for local youth. Please look

up: experiencecowes.org and cowesweek.co.uk cowesyachthaven.com cowes.co.uk

Also northwoodhouse.org ALL have details of events on and off the water.....! Platform one are providing music in the high street throughout. Superb. Our local youth entertaining us!! Enjoy the special 200th Anniversary of Cowes Week. Don't forget the Maritime Heritage Trail too. 15 places to visit throughout the town via classicboatmuseum.com/martime-heritage-trail.

NEW COUNCILLORS: We are now up to full complement with 3 new councillors joining us. We welcome, Louise Southwell, Mark Reen and Michael Paler.

COWES TOWN COUNCIL STAND: On the Parade during Cowes Week. Pop down and see us. Councillor's will be there (11-12) as well as staff throughout the day.

COWES PARADE VILLAGE: Already a lot of noise around the arrangements and use. The contract is with IW Council who lease to Cowes Week Ltd. Cowes Week then engage Stagegear to manage the event. Due to new national ruling, (martins rule) a number of changes are in place.

As always, you are my superb extra eyes and ears! Keep in contact: lora08@sky.com