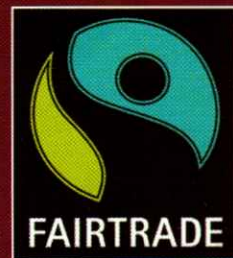


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Meet Your New Mayor and Mayoress

The Mayor Election ceremony took place on 18 May and the Councillors elected the new Mayor, Councillor Tony Inch at this meeting. Tony told the audience at the ceremony how much he and his wife Michelle are looking forward to the busy year ahead, serving and representing Bideford. Each year the Mayor & Mayoress choose a charity to support and this year Tony and Michelle have chosen to fund-raise for the breast care unit "Integrated Imaging Suite" at the N.D.D.H. as well as the Youth Pipe Band. Tony closed his speech by saying that he felt this was his chance to repay Bideford and its people for all the good things it has given him all his life, and that he has come not to be served but to serve.



Sweet Peas at the Marland Allotments



The Deputy Mayor and Mayoress – Councillor David Ratcliff and Mrs Philippa Ratcliff were also elected during this ceremony.

National Allotments Week

National Allotments Week runs from 14 August - 20 August and aims to promote the awareness and benefits of allotments both locally and nationally. The Marland Allotment Association is keen to support this initiative and will be run-

ning various activities during this week. These will include an open day where visitors will have the opportunity of walking around the site and talking to allotment holders. There will be fresh produce for sale, several competitions, including some suitable for children of all ages. There will be a display of different varieties of vegetable squash which can be grown quite easily in our part of the country as well as advice and leaflets on how to prepare and cook squash. Also planned are a raffle and a charity table with all proceeds going to 'WSPA' (World Society for the Protection of Animals). If you have anything you would like to donate for the charity table please contact Martin on Bideford 422709.

The Marland Allotment Association also plans to hold a 'mini fun show' at the Pannier Market during Regatta week. This will include fruit and vegetable competitions (for allotment holders), children's competitions, bring and buy, a raffle, a charity table for WSPA and an alternative vegetable display.

Posters advertising the venues, events and times etc. are displayed in prominent locations around the town.

