

BOROUGHBRIDGE MAYOR'S DIARY
Councillor Craggs' Weekly Diary

25 March 2011

As you read this, Angela Merry will be leaving the Town Council to be replaced by John Leith as second Town Clerk, working alongside our redoubtable Harry Nellis. Angie has served the Town well and enthusiastically for the past 4 years or thereabouts and has in fact promised to help with the organisation of Discover Boroughbridge Day on Saturday 11th June, as she has for the past 2 years. Thank you Angie and enjoy your new career as a grandmother! John will, I am certain, be a worthy successor and has already clocked up many hours "learning his trade"!

On Wednesday we attended a "photo shoot" in the Harrogate Mayor's Parlour to publicise the Royal Wedding "congratulation" books which will shortly be going out to the main towns in the District for residents to sign. I understand that our book will be in the town's library, and I'll let everyone know as soon as the book is in place. The "photo shoot" was followed by a Children and Young People's Partnership Showcase Event in the Council Chamber, when eight groups who have received project grants for their schemes and put them into practice each gave a presentation on their achievements. Locally, Boroughbridge High School did a superb and thought provoking presentation on how to achieve a low carbon life style, chiefly through recycling and using energy efficiently; on Tuesday next, the 29th. March there will be an open evening at Boroughbridge High School from 6.30 to 8.30 p.m. where we can all obtain advice from our own local experts- one not to be missed!

Driving past the new allotments on Sunday, we noticed a frenzy of activity-gardeners everywhere, erecting sheds, greenhouses, digging, planting....and of course talking! A heart warming sight, and proof that a very real need exists for gardens in which to grow our own produce. Betty insists that I am an extremely efficient planticide, which rules out every form of garden activity except digging holes where instructed and mowing the lawn- it's good to know ones place in the great scheme of things!