



HAYLE

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# HAYLE IN BLOOM 2009

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## Front Cover:

Top: The Loggans Roundabout. HaYle town logo planted 4 June and photographed 11 June 2009  
Centre: Botanist and broadcaster, David Bellamy, visits the Hayle Library Wildlife Garden with Hayle in Bloom chair, Margaret Tanner on 20 June 2009. "Whoever designed this garden knew what they were doing – I've already spotted three species of bee", said David.  
Bottom: View across Copperhouse Pool, 3 October 2008  
Small images: (Top right) Hayle lead gardener, Mike Kemp, gets interviewed for BBC Spotlight. (Other images) Wild and cultivated plants around Hayle.

## Symbols:

	Horticultural Achievement		Environmental Responsibility		Community Participation
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## Welcome to Hayle



Hayle, looking towards Godrevy Lighthouse  
© Peter Channon, Over Cornwall

Hayle (or Heyl, meaning estuary in the ancient Cornish language) has a long and remarkable history. A site of settlement since the Bronze Age, Irish and Breton sailors called here as early as 1500BC to collect Cornish tin. In Roman times, large ships sailed up the estuary to St. Erth and by 500AD early Christian missionaries from Ireland were landing in the Heyl estuary.

In the Middle Ages, six great manors covered the area of the town, but Hayle is really a product of the 18th and 19th centuries, when the town was at the forefront of the Industrial Revolution.

The port fed the mines of West Cornwall with coal and timber and iron foundries at either end of the town developed communities around them. In the west, Harvey and Co. of Hayle worked with Richard Trevithick and built pumping engines and mining equipment which they sold worldwide; at the eastern end, the Cornish Copper Company also made iron goods, including chains for Brunel's Clifton suspension bridge, and later specialised in beaten copper. Quays and wharves were built, the Steam Packet ran to Bristol and an early railway carried goods inland. The historic importance of our harbour has been recognised as part of the Devon and Cornwall Mining World Heritage Site. The estuary is now a protected reserve managed by the RSPB and attracts birds and their watchers in large numbers. This includes Copperhouse Pool, bordered by the subtropical King George V Memorial walk with its astonishing display of flowers and plants.

The Towans (Cornish for sand dunes) that were once the site for mines, and early in the 20th century an explosives works, now provide a huge variety of recreational opportunities. One of the finest stretches of beach in the country, swimming, surfing, sand yachting, kite surfing (and kite flying) are all available - as are most water activities.

Although proud of its past, Hayle is a forward-looking town. With a proposed redevelopment of the harbour area and regeneration of the town centre, and with the support of Hayle in Bloom and the town's many organisations, Hayle will become an even better place to live, work and visit.



## Introduction

### History

Hayle's Britain in Bloom Group was formed in January 2000 with the aim to enter the Britain in Bloom Competitions and to enhance and beautify our town of Hayle here in Cornwall. We received strong support from the town council then and continue to do so now. The first meeting of the group was not held until January 2001 when a 'working party' was set up and our first entry, which was judged on 26 July, gained a **Highly Commended Award**.

Our 2nd year of entry into the Britain in Bloom Competition was in July 2002 and at the Awards Presentation at the Bath & West Show Showground in Somerset on Friday 06 September, Hayle won a **Silver Gilt Award** and also the **Sargent Trophy** for outstanding effort and dedication from a competition entry.

In 2003 we achieved the coveted **Gold Award** and also the **London & Manchester Trophy** for outstanding contribution to environmental initiative for small Towns/Villages.

In 2004 and 2005 we were received **Silver-Gilt** awards and also grants from B&Q for £2,500 enabling us to enhance the area around the town's open-air swimming pool. We also received a grant from the Liveability Fund for £2,040 towards purchasing various items of tools, planters and other horticultural equipment.

2006 was a banner year in which we achieved not only a **Gold Award** but also the **Abbiss Cup** for the best municipal planting of a Roundabout. Our Roundabout at Loggans was voted the best in the whole of the South West. We also received a **Neighbourhood Award** for our Adopt-a-Plot scheme and our entry from the Schools Painting Competition by Victoria Emberson from Hayle Community School won **first prize**.

In 2007 we were entered in the National Competition for the first time and achieved a respectable **Silver-Gilt**. In the SWTA competition we again achieved **Gold**. And Marjorie Roberts, our Chair, was awarded the Shredded Wheat **Community Champion** prize.

At the South West in Bloom awards presentations in Plymouth on the 18th of September, 2008, Hayle heard that it had again been awarded a **Gold** in its category and then received the astounding news that we have taken the **SWTA Cup!** The judges praised Hayle's work and gave honourable mentions to our web site and portfolio.

### Major Projects/Successes Through The Years

Some of the major projects that have helped to brighten up the town over recent years are highlighted below. More details of some of these are included later in this portfolio.

- ✿ Adopt-a-Plot scheme which has encouraged over 25 volunteer gardeners to give their time to beautifying Hayle.
- ✿ Town Branding: standardised logo, colour, flags, banners and documents give a consistent image of the town.
- ✿ Streetscape: improvement of the street furniture at Copperhouse and complete renovation of Foundry Square.
- ✿ Hayle Townscape Heritage Initiative: restoration and renovation of important historical buildings throughout the town with an emphasis on traditional shop fronts.



- ✿ Millpond: restoration and on-going maintenance of this historic pond, now an important nature reserve and recreational area.
- ✿ Harvey's Foundry Trust: restoration of the historical heart of Foundry providing employment space and live/work units while preserving Hayle's history.
- ✿ Harbour Development and Regeneration of World Heritage Site: Hayle Harbour is now part of the Cornwall and West Devon Mining Landscape World Heritage Site in recognition of the major role it played during the industrial revolution. The planned harbour development will restore many of the important historical features of the harbour.
- ✿ Breathing Spaces: design and implementation of a butterfly and wildlife garden at Hayle library providing a habitat for wildflowers and a host of insects.
- ✿ Swimming Pool: landscaping, decorating and planting of the open-air swimming pool and surrounding area. Now offering free swimming to over 60s.
- ✿ Dial-a-Ride: offering a flexible solution to the transport needs of local residents. Of special benefit to the elderly and infirm.
- ✿ New Boat Planter: Hayle Harbour Management Ltd. has provided a new boat on the Carnsew Road helping to improve the western approaches to the town.
- ✿ Grants: We have received substantial grants from Hayle Town Council, Hayle Area Plan Partnership, Cornwall Council and the Hayle and District Chamber of Commerce.
- ✿ Foundry Trees: Following the Foundry Square refurbishment we supported the installation of eight large tubs planted with hardy trees to provide greenery in the area.
- ✿ Schools: excellent involvement of local schools including adopt-a-plot and the painting competitions. Penpol School is producing a video of the wildlife garden which will be put on YouTube. Bodriggy School is continuing its successful adopt-a-plot on the King George V Memorial Walk.

### Number of Volunteers

We have over 25 adopt-a-plotter and at least 30 other active supporters plus several classes of schoolchildren. The numbers continue to grow every year as do the number of corporate sponsors. New corporate sponsors for 2009 include Wyevale Garden Centre and the Haven Holiday Park.

### Key Community Partnerships

- ✿ Hayle Rose and Cabbage Horticultural Society: active members
- ✿ Hayle Flower Club: adopting the Touch and Scent Garden
- ✿ Chamber of Commerce: supporting with posters, donations and publicity
- ✿ Day Care Centre: support and elder involvement
- ✿ Probation Service: young offender involvement
- ✿ Hayle Youth Project: youth projects

### Fund Raising and Support

- ✿ Chamber of Commerce
- ✿ Hayle Town Council
- ✿ Cornwall Council/Penwith District Council
- ✿ Hayle Area Plan Partnership



## Review of the Past Year

- ✿ Hayle in Bloom meets every month on the last Monday. Attendance grows to over 30.
- ✿ September 2008: the Press reports on Hayle's success in the Southwest in Bloom competition.
- ✿ October/November 2008: Foundry Square trees are installed thanks to donations from local organisations.
- ✿ December 2008: planting commences in readiness for Spring.
- ✿ January 2009: review of the unkempt wall opposite Beatrice Terrace leads to funding for tidy up and new tree planting.
- ✿ January 2009: a prolonged cold spell leads to the total destruction of our succulents – a prime feature of the King George V Memorial Walk. Donations are quickly received to replace the plants and our Head Gardener describes the incident as “a planting opportunity!”
- ✿ February 2009: the month started with snow and ended with flowers blooming. The Hayle in Bloom team prepares its plans for the season.
- ✿ March/April 2009: daffodils pop up all over Penwith and adopt-a-plotters start preparing their beds for planting. Fifteen Hayle in Bloom members attend John Wheatley's briefing on the Britain in Bloom competition.
- ✿ May 2009: no sooner had several thousand pounds worth of plants been put in the ground than they were stolen! Local garden centre Wyevale came to our aid by offering some replacements but locals were incensed at the idea that someone was robbing Hayle of so much of beauty. A week later, almost 90% of the plants were returned, not too much the worse for wear. The press and the TV liked the story and we gained some wonderful publicity.
- ✿ June 2009: benches get mended and repainted. The roundabout is prepared for the visitor's season. Hayle in Bloom organises a D-Day celebration at the Wildlife Garden to encourage new visitors. Botanist and broadcaster, David Bellamy, visits Hayle and the wildlife garden and is full of praise. David's involvement with Hayle goes back a long way and includes handing over the £1 to buy Copperhouse Pool and Lelant Water for the RSPB from Peter de Savary. The Haven Holiday Park hosts a Green Weekend to promote a wide range of environmental initiatives including beach cleanups, wildlife walks, recycling and sustainability.



The Dog Warden helps keep the beach clean



David Bellamy at the Wildlife Garden

**The Year in Pictures**

*OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2008*



Foundry Square before the trees



Taking delivery of the eight trees

*DECEMBER 2008*



The beds are prepared



The boat on Penpol Terrace is planted

*JANUARY 2009 – DISASTER STRIKES!*



The succulents in November 2008



After the snow and frost, 14 January

*The unusual sub-zero temperatures in January put an end to the succulents throughout Hayle – even on the sheltered Memorial Walk*



JANUARY 2009



16.1.09

Discussing how to tidy up Beatrice Terrace



16.1.09

We agree to cut back and plant new trees

FEBRUARY 2009



3.2.09

Snow on February 3rd



27.2.09

Mel George plants his Adopt-A-Plot

MARCH 2009



2.3.09

Spring arrives on Penpol Terrace



12.3.09

A local crop of daffodils

*The cold temperatures in January also triggered many of our exotics to flower – some, like the furcraea, as their final act before dying off.*





APRIL 2009



2.4.09

Blossoms at the harbour



22.4.09

Our treasurer, Pam, tackles her plot

MAY 2009



9.5.09

Recycling is available on camp sites



23.5.09

We hit the headlines!

JUNE 2009



1.6.09

Time to spruce up the benches



10.6.09

Margaret gets on the tellie

*Hayle Estuary provides the first resting place for many migratory birds. In the winter you can see Wigeon, Teal, Shelduck, Dunlin and Curlew*





## Achievements

### What's New for 2009?

#### Banners and Flags Around Town [●]



Hayle continues its branding project by adding colourful banners in Foundry Square, the Recreation Ground, the Commercial Road car park and at the swimming pool.



#### New Corporate Sponsors with Strong Environmental Credentials [● ●]

We are delighted to welcome Wyevale Garden Centre and the Haven Holiday Park as corporate sponsors.



Wyevale was extremely quick to offer help following the theft of our plants and has also taken on an Adopt-a-Plot at Foundry Square.



The Haven Holiday Park is an exemplar of how to run a business in an environmentally friendly way. They not only manage their business with regard to the environment but they also encourage their visitors to recycle, respect the environment and to have car-free days. Manager June Donnery also helped Hayle in Bloom to have David Bellamy visit our projects, especially the Wildlife Garden.

*In Roman times, large ships sailed up the estuary to St Erth and by 500AD early Christian missionaries from Ireland were landing in the Heyl estuary.*



## Harbour Development and Regeneration of WHS [●]

ING Real Estate UK Ltd. has now received outline planning permission for a £210 million development at Hayle Harbour.



The project will redevelop the harbour area and renovate the damaged harbour walls. There will be over a thousand new dwellings as well as industrial, office and retail developments. The plans are now being reviewed and discussed in the Hayle Area Plan Partnership meetings (see below) and a decision is expected by the end of the year.

## Free Swimming for Over 60s [●]

Although we technically do not qualify for the government's free over-60 swimming initiative, we made enough fuss that Cornwall Council will provide the funding to enable it for 2009.

## New Boat on Carnsew Road [●]

Thanks to Hayle Harbour Management Limited we now have a new boat to plant on the western side of Hayle. It is in an excellent location on the entrance to Hayle and will give a good impression to visitors arriving from St. Ives.

*Copperhouse Pool has been a Site of Special Scientific Interest since 1951 and was sold to the RSPB for £1 in the 1980's.*



## HAPP grant [●]

The Hayle Area Plan Partnership is the local body, run by townspeople, that helps to implement the town plan. It has supported Hayle in Bloom with a £500 grant towards providing posters and banners.

## Foundry Trees [●]

Thanks to funding from town and district councils, Philp's Bakery, the Freemasons of Hayle, Hayle and District Lions Club, Hayle Pump Newsletter and the HAPP Penwith Small Grants Scheme we now have eight trees providing shade and pleasure in Foundry Square. The trees and tubs cost £500 each.

## Schools [● ●]

We continue to enjoy excellent contacts with local schools including visits, adopt-a-plots, painting competition and now Penpol School will be producing a video on the wildlife garden.



## Community Conservation Day [● ●]

Held at the Library, the Conservation Day had the goal of introducing Hayle residents and visitors to the Wildlife Garden (with some music and food thrown in).

## Tregenna Castle Treat [●]

A celebration for Hayle in Bloom members and friends following the exciting results in 2008.

*Copperhouse is named after the Cornish Copper Company which ran a copper smelter and other works between 1758 and about 1860*

*The distinctive black blocks used for walls and buildings around Copperhouse are called 'scoria' (from the Latin for rust) and are made of slag from the Cornish Copper Company's furnaces.*

## Prior and On-Going Achievements

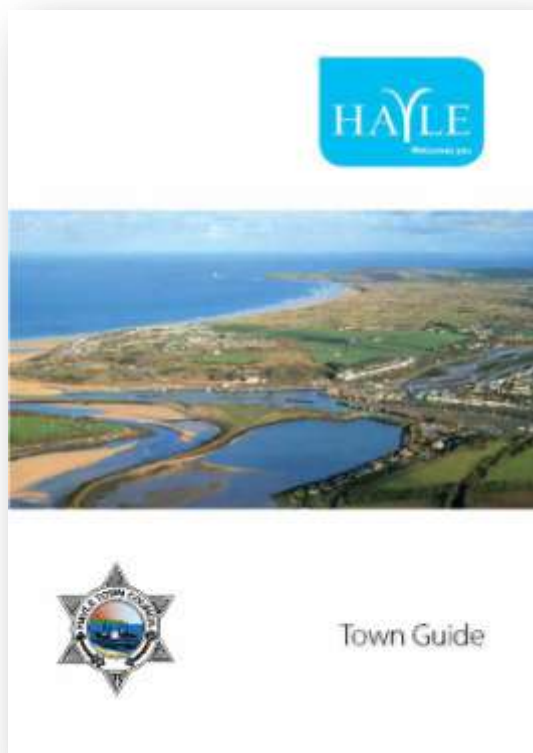
### Hayle in Bloom Logo [●]

This year the Hayle in Bloom committee looked at a number of designs for a logo. The final choice was designed by Ingrid Kemp, wife of head gardener, Mike Kemp.

The colour of the outer ring was chosen to be the same as the Hayle town logo to help give a consistent feel to signs around the town.

### Town Guide [●]

The Hayle Town Council has produced a Town Guide which includes a page on Hayle in Bloom. The colourful guide presents Hayle as an excellent place to live in and to visit and encourages businesses to relocate here.



### Town Logo [●]

The Hayle Area Plan Partnership, which is responsible for the Hayle and district plan for the period 2006-2026, has endorsed the town logo produced with the help of Nixon Design of Hayle. The copyright in the logo now resides with the Hayle Town Council who will ensure that it is used appropriately.





AND HERE IS THE TOWN LOGO AT THE CARWIN RISE ROUNDABOUT SOON AFTER PLANTING.

## Community Involvement and Projects

### *ADOPT-A-PLOT* [●●●]

The Hayle in Bloom Adopt-a-Plot scheme continues to grow from year to year. We now have 34 members tending plots around the town from Copperhouse to Foundry and all along the King George the Fifth Memorial Walk. Under the guidance of head gardener Mike Kemp, the adopt-a-plotters weed, plant and tend the plots to give the gardeners an opportunity to use their skills elsewhere. The Adopt-a-Plot scheme is managed by Ann Foreman who, even in her ninth decade, still sets us a fine example. Volunteers have recorded almost 1,000 hours of work over the year.

### *SUSTAINABLE PLANTING PROJECT* [●●]

In 2007 an old boat was given to Hayle in Bloom and is sponsored by Paradise Park. It is sited on the grass verge next to Jewsons, and the wall behind the boat was cleared of a huge amount of ivy and brambles by young offenders under the supervision of the Probation Service. It was then painted by them with paint donated by Jewsons.

The boat was decked out by Jeff Turk, Dick Horwell and Richard Dungey with wood donated by Biggleston's. The soil was donated by Chris Lello.



It was planted by Paradise Park head gardener, Chris Griffin, using all sustainable planting. It is looked after by a member of Hayle in Bloom's Adopt-a-Plot scheme. Due to the superb selection of flowers, grasses and herbs the only attention needed is a little weeding.



### *WILDLIFE GARDEN* [●●●]

Thanks to a Big Lottery Fund grant we have been able to design and build a wildlife garden with a special emphasis on attracting butterflies. The garden has been created behind the Hayle Library adjacent to Copperhouse Pool and combines stone walls, hedges, paths, seats and a shelter to provide an ideal place for wildlife and a calm, relaxing environment for humans to watch them.

The project was supported by Hayle and district schools and there is more information in the 'School Projects' section later in this book.

### *HAYLE DIAL-A-RIDE* [●]

The Hayle area Dial-A-Ride scheme was launched in March 2005 as a flexible, innovative solution to transport difficulties facing residents in the area. The project is operated using a 12-seater minibus, with a part-time paid coordinator and driver, supplemented by additional volunteer drivers and office workers.

The project was supported by both capital and revenue funding from the County Council, along with financial contributions from the Countryside Agency, Jobcentre Plus and Surestart.



The service provides a feeder link into the local bus and rail network for workers and college students at core travel-to-work times. During the mornings after 9 am, a service is provided into Hayle for shopping, doctors' appointments and other facilities in the town. Special priority booking arrangements for dial-a-ride passengers have been made for appointments at the local GP surgery. In the afternoons, more specialised transport is provided, for example for a Surestart swimming club, older people's friendship club in St Erth, and excursions to nearby towns and attractions. In the evenings and at weekends, the minibus is available for hire by local organisations.

### *SWIMMING POOL PROJECT* [●●●]

The Hayle Swimming Pool was looking very tired when Hayle in Bloom sought a community grant from B&Q. The grant was received and included plants and materials. This year Jewsons donated the paint to give a second coat.

The before and after pictures are shown below. Hayle in Bloom members John Coombe and Dick Horwell did most of the painting and restoration of the swimming pool. Jeff and Sarah Turk did a lot of the original planting and adopt-a-plotter Mary Coad and Lyn Pollack (shown below) have kept the area in good shape.

Painting and planting have made the whole area look much more inviting



The Hayle Town Swimming Pool definitely in need of attention

### **BUSINESSES**

**BON AER** is a care and nursing home for the elderly on Station Hill in Foundry. The owners, Sarah and Tony Metalle have created a pleasant garden for, and with the help of, the residents. We hope to include Bon Aer on the judging route in 2009.

Please see the photographs on page 19.



## PARADISE PARK [●●●]

Paradise Park has always been a strong supporter of Hayle in Bloom and is itself an exemplar of conservation, good management and skilled gardening. Hayle in Bloom is proud to be associated with Paradise Park.

For more on Paradise Park, please see [www.paradisepark.org.uk](http://www.paradisepark.org.uk).

## HAYLE ROSE AND CABBAGE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY [●●●]

Hayle in Bloom works closely with the Hayle Rose & Cabbage Horticultural Society and we share many members.

The Rose & Cabbage Society puts on a programme of lectures and activities throughout the year, runs an annual Summer Show (now in its 36th year) during *Heylfest* week and sponsors a host of prizes for flowers, fruit, gardens, hanging baskets and much more.

President:  
Ruth Atterbury-Thomas

Chairman:  
John Palford

**HAYLE ROSE & CABBAGE  
Gardening Club**

**37th SUMMER SHOW**

At Hayle Recreation Ground  
on  
Tuesday 28th July - 2pm to 7.0pm  
Wednesday 29th July - 10.30am to 3.30pm

**Presentation of Cups and The Drive**  
Wednesday 29th July 2009 at 3pm  
by  
The Hayle Citizens of the Year

**ADMISSION: Adults £2 Children 50p**

The Entry Form can be found in the Centre of this Schedule

Good Luck to all Exhibitors

Thanks go to all the Judges for their time, expertise  
and dedication in judging the Show Entries

A very big "Thank you" to all the visitors

**Hayle  
Rose & Cabbage  
Horticultural Society**

Hayle Rose and Cabbage Horticultural Society

**PROGRAMME 2009**

Thursday	12 <sup>th</sup> March	Annual General Meeting followed by Words Whistling "My World of Animals" (with bands)
Thursday	12 <sup>th</sup> May	Antiques and Valuation Evening with Geoffrey Hills (Please bring something old and interesting)
Saturday	17 <sup>th</sup> May	Plant Sale and Coffee Morning of the Day Care Centre from 10 am to 12 Noon
Thursday	17 <sup>th</sup> July	Volunteers and Plants for the Summer Show
Tuesday and Wednesday	27 <sup>th</sup> & 28 <sup>th</sup> July	The Summer Show
Thursday	18 <sup>th</sup> September	Identifying Bugs, Diseases and Beneficial Insects in our Gardens (with a Morning from The Dairy Cottage)
Saturday	20 <sup>th</sup> September	Plant Sale and Coffee Morning of the Day Care Centre from 10 am to 12 Noon
Thursday	20 <sup>th</sup> November	"The Plant Hunters" A talk by Elizabeth Peaves Subtitled with slides and plants in season. Strong tea at interval.
Friday	21 <sup>st</sup> November	Annual Re-union Dinner of the Foundry Bar at 7 for 7.30 pm.

All meetings are held in the Methodist Church Hall, Chapel Hill, Hayle unless otherwise stated and commence at 7.30 am. Non members will be most welcome to attend.

Programme compiled by the Programme Secretary, Yvonne Dwyer



ONE OF THE ROSE & CABBAGE SOCIETY'S PRIZE WINNING GARDENS



## Regeneration

### STREETSCAPE [●●●]

The Streetscape project is an off-shoot of the £4.1 million Hayle Townscape project funded by EU Objective One, HLF, English Heritage, Regional Development Agency, Guinness Trust and our local councils. Streetscape, now nearing completion, allowed for the much-needed improvement to the public realm in both Copperhouse and Foundry.

The Foundry Square project involved the complete reworking of the junction with an eye to improving the square for pedestrians. A large amount of Cornish granite was used to repave the area and new lampposts, a beautiful bus shelter and renewed street furniture were installed.

We are in the process of installing Italian Oak trees in giant tubs to add a final touch to the project.



Copperhouse Flowerbeds



Copperhouse Town Noticeboard



New Bus Shelter at Foundry



Granite Pavements at Foundry



*Installing a number of signposts to the King George V Memorial Walk resulted in an increase in visitors, including some town residents who 'didn't know it was there!'*

## FOUNDRY SQUARE [●●●]

This project is covered in Community Projects above. Following a £350,000 project, Foundry Square has been completely designed with pedestrians in mind and now boasts large pavements made of Cornish granite, stylish lampposts and a brand new bus shelter. With the eight trees, the effect is be stunning.

## HAYLE AREA PLAN PARTNERSHIP [●]

Hayle has completed a 20-year plan for the period 2005-2025 and the plan implementation is under the guidance of 'delivery groups' comprising residents of Hayle and district. A Plan Manager has been appointed and the whole process is supported strongly by town, district and county councils. Further details can be found at [www.hayleareaplan.org.uk](http://www.hayleareaplan.org.uk).

## Conservation, Recycling and Sustainability

### OUR SUSTAINABLE GARDENING STRATEGIES: [●●]

**Avoidance of monoculture by planting a diversity of plant material and employing crop rotation.**

Our flower beds display a wide variety of species and are rarely planted with a single species. The contents of each bed are recycled throughout the year and differ from year to year.

**Selection of disease resistant plant varieties and those suited to the garden's natural environment.**

We are fortunate in not being plagued by many pests. No sprays or insecticides of any kind are used in our flower beds.

**Maintenance of soil to a high degree of fertility with organic matter and fertilisers.**

The soil is fertilised with organic matter, both manure and seaweed. Disease, weed and pest control uses benign properties or plant derivative pesticides and herbicides.

**Use of chemicals only where alternative methods are not viable and then only with the greatest discretion.**

Mulching with wood chips is used for weed control. Close planting is also used to reduce the light available to weeds. Chemical spraying is not used on flower beds at all.

**Employment of less water-hungry plants and alternative lawns.**

Where watering is necessary we have installed reservoir watering systems that apply the water directly to the roots, thus minimising evaporation. In our climate we are able to focus on drought resistant plants such as the succulents. Plants that we use that are tolerant of dry conditions include: agapanthus, agave, aloe, puya, aeonium, aloe, gravilia and Southern Hemisphere plants such as phormium.

**Low maintenance in design and planting.**

We use reservoir watering schemes, close planting for weed control (such as African marigolds) and succulents.

**Plantings of trees and shrubs.**

King George V Memorial Walk has an arboretum and there are trees planted throughout the town. Our trees include plane, Acer Platinoides, Tulip Tree, walnut, paulownia, beech and eucalypts. We have a huge variety of shrubs.



## Recycling & Green Waste [●]

In 2003 Penwith Council introduced household recycling where glass, paper, cans and textiles, were collected from the kerbside in a free recycled plastic, 55-litre box with a lid. Plastics, textiles and books can also be taken to the Recycling Centres situated around the town.



In 2005/2006 the Council's recycling rate was 17.3%. The government target was 10%. Penwith Council is one of the few councils that recycles beach cleaning waste. This figure was achieved by a combination of Recycling Banks throughout the district, including mini recycling centres in predominantly rural areas, supermarket points and voluntary group collections alongside a multi-material kerbside recycling scheme and the green waste kerbside collection scheme. Both these schemes were introduced and funded wholly by Penwith Council. At the end of 2007 the recycling rate had jumped to 29% and we are now closer to 32%. With the introduction of card collection in July 2008 the rates will go even higher.



Over the last 3 years over 90% of Green Waste produced throughout the district has been recycled. Leaves collected from the roads during the Autumn are taken to the Green Waste Company Recycling Farm at Splattenridden. The Council last year were reimbursed over £23,000 which was put towards the purchase of a new street cleansing vehicle. Splattenridden Farm was granted £160,000 from 'European Objective One' to purchase equipment for converting green and wood waste into a quality compost to fertilise farm land. The project provides substantial local environmental benefits by reducing the amount of green and wood waste entering Cornish landfill sites by more than 15,000 tonnes in the next 4 years.

Green waste recycling has been boosted by the work of a giant shredding machine that munches its way through garden and woodland cuttings to produce useful compost. Kerb-side collections of green waste are taken to Downs Farm, where the waste is loaded into the high capacity shredder. The compost that emerges is formed into open rows which are turned regularly as part of the process. Downs Farm recently received full accreditation from the Composting Association and it is hoped that the compost can be packaged and sold locally. This scheme is contributing to Penwith Council achieving its recycling targets and also benefits the environment.



### **GOLDEN SUCCESS FOR BEING GREEN**

The Recycling Service was awarded the Green Apple Award for its achievements in recycling/waste awareness initiatives. The Green Apple Award was presented to Mike Toms, the Council's Recycling and Refuse Manager and Karen Clowes its Sustainability Officer, at the House of Commons by the Green Organisation and Chartered Institute of Waste Management.





The Touch and Scented Garden focuses on aromas and bright colours – particularly yellow which is one of the easiest for the visually impaired to see

The gardens of Bon Aer nursing home in Foundry have been created for the elderly residents to enjoy. Features include a rockery and a pool



The Bon Aer residents are encouraged to help with the garden. Some are experienced gardeners and have a few suggestions of their own

*The foundry, after which the western part of Hayle is named, was established by John Harvey in 1779 and finally closed in 1903. Hayle was a major part of the Industrial Revolution when it led the world in the design and supply of high-pressure steam engines.*

## Cornwall Council – Parks and Gardens

### ESSENTIAL SUPPORT

Underpinning the attractiveness of Hayle's open spaces is the support of Cornwall Council's dedicated team of workers.

### STREET CLEANSING [●]

Much co-operation is given by the residents of Hayle who report problems and regular inspections ensure good cleanliness standards are maintained. The Street Cleansing team follow a programme of scheduled routes which are designed to keep the area free of litter and debris. The street cleansing team undertakes the removal of weeds from streets which are removed mechanically by a street cleansing machine or manually with a hoe.



### DOG AND LITTER AWARENESS [●]

This year Cornwall Council enacted Dog Control Orders permitting fixed penalty tickets to be issued to those who do not clean up after their dogs. Previously, CC officers had to make a court appearance for every violation – a slow and expensive process. Dog wardens regularly patrol Hayle and a number of tickets have already been issued.

### ABANDONED VEHICLES [●]

The Council joined forces with the DVLA and the Police, in an initiative to crack down on untaxed vehicles in the Penwith area. The partnership targets unlicensed and abandoned vehicles as part of the campaign to rid the area of abandoned vehicles. The Council aims to demonstrate what can be achieved in dealing with the ever increasing environmental problem caused by abandoned vehicles, and in doing so improve the quality of life for local people.



A 'CUSTOMER' WAITS ANXIOUSLY FOR A NEW DOG BIN TO BE INSTALLED.

### FLY TIPPING [●]

Although the Council runs a bulky waste collection service and provides a Recycling Centre nearby with skips at designated sites, fly tipping does sometimes occur. All fly tipping is recorded and collated monthly to submit to the Environmental Agency who have set up a national database recording system known as 'Flycapture'. It is the Council's aim to collect all fly tipping within 1 day of it being reported.

## School Projects

Hayle in Bloom maintains close contacts with schools in the area through the adopt-a-plot scheme, supporting the South West in Bloom painting competitions and through projects such as the nesting boxes, butterfly garden and school talks on protecting our environment. [●●●]



These students are from Bodriggy Primary School.

Bodriggy pupils have formed an Eco-Council and are very focussed on protecting the environment.



## NESTING BOXES [●●]

The nesting boxes were constructed by Hayle Community School and installed by Hayle's gardeners. Six have been placed on the Memorial Walk and a further six at the Millpond. See the 'In The News' section for more details.



Alvin and Mike install the bird boxes

*The King George V Memorial Walk was created in 1935 to commemorate the Silver Jubilee of King George V and Queen Mary.*

*The King George V Arboretum, which is laid out parallel to the Memorial Walk, comprises a very fine collection of specimen trees planted in 1952.*

*It was the gift of the Harvey family to the people of Hayle.*

### ELLIS PARK – YOUTH SHELTER [●]

Ellis Park is close to a deprived area of Hayle and the Friends of Ellis Park, supported by the town council, are in the process of installing a youth shelter in the park as a meeting place for teens. The project is strongly supported by the police and is supported by a Play Space grant. The Hayle Youth project will provide youth-related sports and activities three evenings a week to encourage sensible use of the facility.



The youth shelter is the result of extensive consultation between the children of Hayle Community School and the Friends of Ellis Park, firstly to determine what facility they wanted and secondly to vote on where they wanted it put.

### WILDLIFE AND BUTTERFLY GARDEN [●●●]

Thanks to the Big Lottery Fund's Breathing Spaces project, Hayle in Bloom working with the Hayle Library has been able to create a beautiful Wildlife and Butterfly garden overlooking the Copperhouse Pool.



Children from Bodriggy and Gwinear schools are joined by the Hayle Youth Project, Hayle Day Care Centre, Hayle in Bloom members and PDC gardeners for the 'Official Planting' of the Butterfly Garden.

Designed to encourage a wide variety of wildlife, the area has seats and a shelter to allow quiet enjoyment of nature. Working with the Young Offenders Project we were also able to offer an opportunity for a useful community project.

The 'Official Planting' ceremony on May 20<sup>th</sup> was officiated by the Chair of Penwith District Council, Cllr. Joan Tanner, and Hayle's Mayor, Cllr. John Coombe.





## Environment

### RSPB ESTUARY CLEAN UPS [●●]

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### Rubbish Busters, Hayle Estuary

Hayle & Merazion

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**What's in it for you?**  
An opportunity to help protect the wildlife on the estuary from harm, maintain this beautiful area in a clean and tidy manner and meet other local people who care about the environment.

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Period: All year round

**Who to contact**  
Jenny Parker  
Tel: 01736 711662  
E-mail: [Jenny.Parker@rspb.org.uk](mailto:Jenny.Parker@rspb.org.uk)

**Notes**  
Bring water to drink, wear sturdy footwear, appropriate clothing; to protect against the weather and sun block when it is hot. Expenses will be re-imbursed where necessary.

### RSPB NOTICE BOARDS [●●]

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## RSPB Hayle Estuary nature reserve

### Copperhouse Creek

Over the last 200 years, the tidal creek has had a dramatic change. Once extending to the A38 roundabout at Leggers Mill, much of it has been reclaimed for development: a recreation ground, flats and houses now cover mudflats where oystercrabs used to feed. Today, what is left forms an important branch of the Hayle Estuary nature reserve, acquired by the RSPB in 1982. The last 10 years have worked according to plan: to summer, the area provides a safe haven for shorebirds to use their young, to winter, oystercrabs and lugwings arrive, and flocks of curlews and grebes fly in to feed on the unobscured mudflats.

**Reserve fact file**

- Hayle Estuary was designated a Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) in 1984. Copperhouse was first notified in 1982.
- By the end of 2006, 270 bird species had been recorded.
- High concentrations of heavy metals persist below the surface mudflats, a legacy of Hayle's mining history.
- Soil digging is prohibited (except for local fish traps).

**Conservation management**

- Water sports are only permitted between April and September on alternate weekends, to avoid the water bird migration period.
- No disturbance (eg digging) of the mudflats is permitted. This prevents pollution by heavy metals and frightens the birds away.
- The RSPB is working with local communities to keep the area clear of rubbish and to minimise disturbance.

[www.rspb.org.uk](http://www.rspb.org.uk)

Map showing the location of Copperhouse Creek, Hayle Estuary, and surrounding areas like Leggers Mill, Hayle, and Fowey. Includes a legend for water, mudflats, and paths.

Photos of birds: Redshank, Oystercrabs, and Grebes.





### VOLUNTEER LITTER PICKERS [●●]

A number of Hayle in Bloom's members are also diligent litter pickers all year round. Mary Coad and Lyn Pollack, who have adopted the plot adjacent to the swimming pool, also take home several bags of rubbish every week. Ann Foreman, the adopt-a-plot coordinator has also arranged litter picking days and now supports the Clean Cornwall initiative.

### WORKING WITH SCHOOLS [●●]

Ann Foreman has also given talks to children at local schools encouraging them to not throw litter in the first place and to be part of the solution by helping to pick up litter when they can. Naturally, Ann stresses safety and hygiene in her talks.

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Hayle's open-air swimming pool is open from May to September



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## Marketing and Publicity

### THE PRESS [●]

Hayle in Bloom maintains a good relationship with our local reporters and we have regular coverage of our activities and successes in The Cornishman, West Briton and the Hayle Times. Some of the clips relating to our activities are shown below in the 'In the News' section.

### HAYLE PUMP [●]

Hayle is fortunate to have a community newsletter that has been run by volunteers since 1984. The circulation is now 2,500 and it is entirely funded by advertising. It provides a wonderful service to Hayle residents and is a favoured choice for advertising by local businesses. In fact, there is frequently not enough space for all those who would like to place an ad.

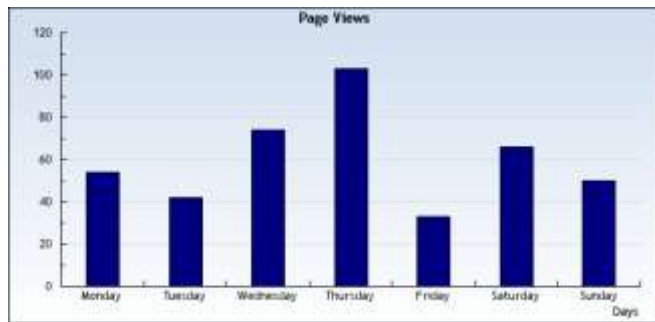
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Hayle in Bloom has a regular entry in the Hayle pump



## OUR WEB SITE [●]

The Hayle in Bloom web site ([www.hayleinbloom.org.uk](http://www.hayleinbloom.org.uk)) has been in operation for almost three years and is a good way of communicating with members and friends. We have links from the Hayle Town Council web site and from other town and district sites. The site regularly gets 30-40 visits per day.



### Hayle in Bloom

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WELCOME

**20 June 2009.** Botanist and broadcaster David Bellamy visited the Wildlife Garden with Hayle in Bloom chair and members, Hayle head gardener and representatives from the Haven Holiday Park and the Library. David said "Whoever designed this wildlife garden knew what they were doing. Within 5 minutes I saw three different species of bee!" David also led wildlife and botanical walks on the Towans showing us locals things we had never seen before. David's connection with Hayle goes back a long way: he handed over the token £1 to Peter de Savary to buy Copperhouse Pool and Lelant Water for the RSPB in the 80s.



**CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE**  
Margaret thanks the team for our success. Contact Margaret at [chairman@hayleinbloom.org.uk](mailto:chairman@hayleinbloom.org.uk)

**OUR HISTORY**  
Hayle's 'Britain in Bloom' Group was formed in January 2000. Read how we got started.

**LATEST ADDITIONS**

- [latest copy of bloom review](#)
- [pictures added to the gallery](#)
- [rhs finalists' manual - a must-read](#)
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**MEETING DATES**  
Normally the last Monday of the month (except August), 7-30pm at Hayle Rugby Club

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## Conclusion and Future Developments

The goal of the Britain in Bloom campaign is to “create lasting improvements to local environments for the benefit of local residents, workers and visitors, now and for future generations.” Hayle in Bloom was formed in 2000 because we shared this goal and wanted to use the Britain in Bloom competition as a way of bringing the community together to achieve a worthy objective.

Now in our tenth year, there is no doubt that Hayle in Bloom has been very successful in making Hayle a nicer place to live in and to visit. We also feel that we have now reached sustainability with depth and breadth of membership, a large number of commercial sponsors and with a management team that changes and evolves as people come and go.

When I talk to visitors who are admiring our flowers, parks and gardens I often ask them how many professional gardeners they think we have. They are always amazed to hear that we have only two full-time gardeners and one additional helper during the summer months. This says two things: we have a wonderful team of gardeners, well supported by the Cornwall Council Parks and Gardens Department; and we have a large number of enthusiastic volunteers at all levels of experience from primary school pupils to nonagenarians. Above all we have a great feeling of community.

What is a community? It is a place where people can feel joy and happiness in being with others of every capability, race, ability or disability. The Hayle in Bloom community has always welcomed members from the mentally and physically challenged, the probation service, youth services and schools and from all races and faiths – and we will continue to do so. I am proud of what we have achieved over the last ten years and look forward with enthusiasm to the next ten.

Our meetings are always full of ideas for new projects and these are some that have been short-listed for next year:

### WESTERN APPROACHES

Although the western approach to Hayle has some interesting features, such as the planned new EcoLodge, the historic listed Plantation and the restored Crimean Cannon, it needs some attention. We will look at planting, fence work and wall repairs.

### LADYSMITH GARDENS

There is a triangular area of land adjacent to the Hayle Railway Station that has been owned by the Town Council since 1940. Although it has a bench it is not very attractive and is one of the first green areas seen by train travellers on leaving the station. We are considering giving it a complete revamp.

### THE OLD HAWKINS MOTORS SITE ON HAYLE TERRACE

This site has been an eyesore and the source of much controversy since Hawkins moved to a new site on the outskirts of town. The plan was to build over 26 dwellings on the site but this was keenly resisted by town residents and also by the Town Council who did not want the view of Copperhouse Pool obliterated by high-rise dwellings. After six years of stop/start negotiations it has finally been agreed that six houses will be built on part of the site and about 40% will be given to the town. Hayle in Bloom will take on the responsibility of



designing the area. Issues include dealing with the heavy pollution that dates back to mining in the 18<sup>th</sup> century and more-recently to the second World War. It is likely that we will use tubs and raised beds to avoid disturbing the soil.



Most of the hard-topped surface on the old Hawkins Motors site will be given to the Town Council for the benefit of the people of Hayle. Hayle in Bloom will be responsible for landscaping the area.

In addition to specific projects we will continue to grow our community by reaching out to other groups, continuing our work with schools and by inviting anyone and everyone to join us.

We hope to spread the joy that we get from helping Hayle to bloom.

**Margaret Tanner**

Chair, Hayle in Bloom, 2009



The landlord of the Cornish Arms expresses some joy as he receives his delivery of hanging baskets!



## Appendices

### PRESS CLIPPINGS

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## Penwith enjoys success in bloom competition

COMMUNITY leaders and representatives have returned from Plymouth with a whole raft of awards from the South West in Bloom presentations. Pride of place went to the Tréveere estate in Penzance.

But there was plenty of success to be enjoyed by folk in Penwith's other towns. In the South West in Bloom section, St Ives won a Gold award, just being pipped by Thornbery as the winner of their population category. Hayle also won a gold award and won the SWTA Cup for town with a

population between 5,500 and 6,999 and St Just won a silver gilt award in its section. St Just also won the South West in Bloom Youth Award for outstanding contribution by youths or youth groups. In the same neighbourhood awards

section won by Tréveere, St Ives' Penamaye Court also earned a certificate for 'outstanding achievement' whilst Ayr Field earned a merit. This week *The Cornishman* focuses on Tréveere but further reports on other successes will follow.

## 'Recklessly disturbed birds'

NATURAL England has brought a successful prosecution against a dog-walker who recklessly caused disturbance to birds by releasing dogs on a nature reserve in west Cornwall.

Marlon Adams, of Adelaide Street, Penzance, released three dogs into the RPSB nature reserve at Copperhouse Pool, Hayle. Witnesses saw the dogs chasing birds.

On Thursday, March 12, 2008, he pleaded guilty at West Cornwall Magistrates' Court, Camborne, to an offence relating to disturbance of fauna within a Site of Special

Scientific Interest (SSSI). He was fined £250 and ordered to pay £250 costs. The incident happened on January 9, 2008.

The SSSI is of national importance for its wintering wildfowl and wading birds with more than 90 wintering species recorded on the site including curlew, golden plover and oystercatchers.

Dr Tim Hill, Natural England's director responsible for SSSIs, said: "Natural England wants people to enjoy the estuary and its wildlife, particularly in this setting where birds can be seen so

close to Hayle town centre. "As highlighted by this case, bird disturbance is a significant problem in this area enjoyed by so many."

David Flumm, site manager for the RSPB's Hayle Estuary Nature Reserve, said: "We're pleased with this result and it sends a clear message to others that harassing wild birds on a nature reserve will not be tolerated."

"We are grateful to the public for reporting the incident and to both the police and Natural England for their support which has brought to an end this unfortunate incident."

*Cornishman, 19.03.09  
Our members support the  
official agencies in enforcing  
our protected areas*



PICTURED are all those who attended the South West in Bloom awards at Plymouth with the trophies and certificates, when they stopped at Roche for a celebratory drink en route back to West Cornwall. Chairman of PDC Cllr Joan Tanner (front left) and Town Mayors, Monty Nicholls (St Just) John Coombe (Hayle) and Colin Sanger (St Ives). Photograph: Colin Sanger

*Hayle Times & Echo 26.9.08*

## Annual South West in Bloom awards

ONCE again Penwith showed it could bloom with the best of the westcountry on Thursday last (18th) when the annual South West in Bloom awards were made at a ceremony in the City of Plymouth Guildhall. Nearly 500 delegates attended from right across the South West region from Penzance to Bristol. Penwith District Council organised a coach to take nearly sixty people from the area including the council gardeners, Chairman of PDC, Joan Tanner and Town Mayors, Monty Nicholls (St Just) John Coombe (Hayle) and Colin Sanger (St Ives) plus other councillors and representatives from the district.

Once again Penwith came away with a clutch of certifi-

cates and trophies including South West Tourism Award to Hayle for the best most creative community involvement, and Penamaye Court and Ayr Field, St Ives who each received neighbourhood awards.

Vic Verrier, Chairman of South West in Bloom said, "The judges as ever had a difficult task with standards con-

tinuing to rise across the region. There are so many volunteers out there who give up their time to benefit the areas in which they live."

The national Britain in Bloom awards took place at Chester on Wednesday (24th) and once again the district fingers were crossed for further success.

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**HAYLE PUMP NEWSLETTER**

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It's GOLD for Team Hayle!

At the R.H.S. South West in Bloom awards ceremony in Plymouth on 18 September, Hayle won Gold AND the South West Tourism Association Cup.

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# Golden honour for 'one of the best in the West'



■ Chair Margaret Tanner (centre) with the South West Travel Association Cup, Mayress Mrs Lorna Coombe (left of Mrs Tanner) with the SWTA Certificate and (right of Mrs Tanner) Hayle head gardener, Michael Kemp with the group Gold Award. Tina Carter/OutP

A HANDSOME cup and a Gold South West in Bloom award are being celebrated by the people of Hayle.

The town was the only town in its population category (5,500 to 6,999) to earn a Gold award from the South West in Bloom judges and so won the South West Travel Association Cup at the recent awards ceremony at Plymouth's Guildhall.

Trailing in Hayle's wake were towns like Kingsbridge, Glastonbury and Launceston.

It is an achievement which has

By **JOHN WILLIAMS**  
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been praised by local civic dignitaries.

The Mayor of Hayle, Cllr John Coombe, said: "What a fantastic achievement by the volunteers at Hayle in Bloom - they are a credit not only to the residents of Hayle but also Penwith."

"As the gateway to Penwith the fantastic roundabout at Loggans is second to none."

"So I offer a big thank you to the staff at Penwith District Council

for this superb display much admired by locals and visitors alike.

"In addition, the Bloom group's work has enhanced Hayle to such an extent that I am proud to say we are one of the best in the West."

Margaret Tanner, chairman of Hayle in Bloom, said the group's volunteers had worked very hard.

"Hayle is extremely lucky to have so many individuals and groups in the town who work with and support our wonderful Bloom group," she said.

"Bloom members work very hard throughout the year and not

just during the summer."

Reflecting on the work which has been carried out in the town over the past 12 months, Margaret noted the opening of the Marjorie Roberts Memorial Garden, the increased number of adopt-a-plotter volunteers, the creation of new beds along Memorial Walk and the concentration on meeting quality standards.

● The Hayle Bloom Group meets every last Monday of the month at 7.30pm at Hayle Rugby Club - new members are welcome to join the regular attendance of around 25.

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people representing Hayle in Bloom. After all the cups and certificates were presented came some special awards recognizing people for their hard work. One of these awards went to Hayle gardener John Carter and deservedly so.

Then came the big announcement - Hayle has been chosen to go into the Coastal section for the National. There was a big cheer, WELL DONE HAYLE!

I hope you have enjoyed reading my first column for the Pump since Bloom from Sarah Turk.

Our next meeting will be on Monday January 26 commencing at 7.30pm at Hayle Rugby Club. If you are interested, please come along - you will be most welcome.

You can also visit our website: [www.hayleinbloom.co.uk](http://www.hayleinbloom.co.uk)

**Hayle in Bloom**  
Thursday 6 November at the Tregenna Castle Hotel was the South West in Bloom Awards evening.

Sinen Hosken PDC and Joan Tanner Chair PDC presented the awards. The evening had a great atmosphere - there was a lot of fun and laughter too!

The children had a painting competition run by Paradise Park in conjunction with Paradise D.C. The age group 7 - 9 years was won by Chloe Mayers from Bodriggy School, who stood up and received her award. It was not long before Hayle went up to receive their Cup and Certificates. Wow! There were so many

Ingrid Kemp,  
Secretary, Hayle in Bloom

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**THE VIEW FROM THE STEEPLE TAXIS**

Hello again, my friends!  
It is always nice to welcome you to my vantage point on St. Elwyn's steeple, but like so many good things

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## Olive trees on Foundry Square

HAYLE'S Foundry Square has taken on a Mediterranean appearance. This follows the planting of eight olive trees around the square. Don McGeorge, chairman of Hayle Street Scape group, said the trees were part of a programme of improvements. New granite paving, lights and a bus shelter were provided but the square looked bare. "The trees soften the square and will stop vehicles parking on pavements." Mr McGeorge said he had been told the trees will produce an annual crop of olives. "I don't honestly know what we will do with them." The next phase of improvements will involve providing more seating around the square.



## Hayle in Bloom

Thank goodness it was a lovely sunny day when the judging for South West in Bloom took place on July 17. Everything was looking splendid, the water was kept in Copperhouse Pool and Hayle in Bloom volunteers were out in force in their yellow jackets. Our friends from Heather Lane Nursery who plant up the 56 flowering tubs that we place throughout the town, came to say hello to the judges. By a lucky chance it was Rosina's birthday so everyone joined in to sing Happy Birthday to her.


New adopt-a-plotters the Hollinshead family keep their plot on Penpol Terrace in tip-top shape, they also met with the judges as did our other new members, Flukey and Rajan from Grameen Tandoori who look after the bed by the Iron Bridge. There are plenty more places that need someone to help with their care, if you would like to join, and it can be very rewarding to see your plot flourish, please get in touch. Our Chairman is Margaret Tanner who has Footsteps Shoe Shop on Penpol Terrace, our adopt-a-plot coordinator is Ann Foreman, 01736 754452.

Paradise Park provided a wonderful lunch buffet, our thanks go to them, as ever the Park and its flowers were looking superb. We are keeping our fingers crossed that the judges were impressed enough to give us a Gold award, but we don't hear until September.

There is no meeting in August, we're taking a break, next one is the


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Some members of the Hayle Pump Team standing in Foundry Square beside the tree the Pump has sponsored. This is part of the Streetscape project.





■ The Davies, Halton, Vesle, James and Deltz families on their 'winter wonderland' float.



■ From left: Robin Phillips, Fred Cottrell, Philip Thomas and Richard Northey

# Seeing things in a different light!

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FESTIVE crowds lined the streets of Hayle on Saturday to support an unbroken Christmas tradition dating back a quarter of a century.

The 'saisape' winter illuminated carnival saw a procession of decorated floats and fancy-dress walkers making their way through the town.

Chairman of the organising committee, town councillor Dick Horwell, praised the efforts of his 11-strong team and the townsfolk who braved the chilly night air to make the event a success.

"We were absolutely delighted with the number of entries this year - at what is the only floating carnival in Devon and Cornwall."

"It takes more than £1,000 to stage the summer and winter carnivals, what with road closures and insurance, and we rely heavily on raffles, collections and goodwill from the people in Hayle."

Mr Horwell singled out his vice-chairman, Jayne Quick, for praise, as well as Chris Lallo and his farming friends for providing tractors and trailers. It's a really busy time for them and they provide it all free of charge - without them there would be no carnival."



■ The Hayle Samba Band float.

*West Briton 11.12.2008  
The Hayle Winter Carnival is one of the few left in Cornwall. Together with the lovely Christmas Lights which cover the whole town, Hayle is a wonderful place to be even in the winter!*

## Paradise Park







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**WELCOME**

Paradise Park was established in Hayle, Cornwall in 1973 as a tropical bird garden, and since then otters, red pandas, native red squirrels and the rare Cornish Chough can all be seen here.

Our 'Fun Farm' is a favourite with children, and daily events bring visitors closer to the wildlife.

The Park is set around a Victorian walled garden, and features tropical plants which thrive in Cornwall's mild climate.

In 2005 the new JungleBarn indoor play centre was opened, so that there is plenty of active fun for children even the weather is cold and wet.

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# Exhibition marks success of town's regeneration project

THE successes of a £4 million regeneration project in Hayle will be celebrated tomorrow.

An exhibition and heritage trail will be launched to mark the completion of the Hayle Townscape Heritage Initiative. It began in 2008, with the aim of boosting the economy of a town that once played a key role in the Industrial Revolution, by restoring and bringing back into use derelict, under-used and rundown buildings and public areas.

Hayle was historically two company towns: Foundry, as the centre of the Harvey's

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Foundry machinery and ship-building complex, and Copperhouse, which was the centre of operations for the Cornish Copper Company.

Both these areas have benefited from grant-aided improvements.

Penny Stokes, Penwith District Council's senior conservation officer, said: "We are very proud of what the project has achieved.

"We hope to carry forward the success with a further phase of improvements.

"Hayle is worth investing in for its interesting history and its future potential to provide a sustainable and beautiful place to live, work and visit.

"There is a determination to retain and cherish Hayle's fragile but important historic buildings."

Carleen Kelemen, director of the Objective One Partnership, said: "Our investments increase business, encourage a sense of local pride and regenerate historic areas making

them more attractive and accessible to everyone."

Nerys Watts, head of the Heritage Lottery Fund South West, said: "We have always recognised the important role that our industrial past has played

for local communities as well as its ability to attract visitors.

"This Townscape Heritage Initiative has provided significant heritage conservation and regenerative benefits to the area, celebrating Hayle's heritage and encouraging people and businesses back to the town."

Regeneration work in Hayle will not end with the THI.

Ambitious plans include the harbour regeneration, the Wave Hub and phase three of the Foundry regeneration.

**What do you think of the initiative?**

Have your say, visit our website [www.thisiscornwall.co.uk](http://www.thisiscornwall.co.uk)

West Briton 11.12.08

## Celebrating success of Hayle's regeneration

11.12.08

AN exhibition which opened in Hayle on Friday celebrates the achievements of a £4 million regeneration project.

Cllr John Pollard, chairman of the Hayle Area Plan Partnership, formally opened the Hayle Townscape Heritage Initiative (THI) exhibition.

Staged at John Harvey House, the exhibition will remain open to the public until tomorrow.

One of the challenges of the project was to ensure the regeneration of the separate

town areas of Copperhouse and Foundry.

During the first part of the project, most of the work took place in Foundry because of the large number of derelict buildings.

Later, the project team were delighted to stimulate much needed refurbishments at Copperhouse.

Regeneration in Hayle will not end with the THI as future plans encompass the harbour, phase three at Foundry and the Wave Hub.



From left to right, steering group chairman, John Pollard, Penwith conservation officer and project co-ordinator, Penny Stokes, Penwith regeneration officer, Caroline Sargent, and Stephen Bohane, of the South West Regional Development Agency.

Picture: CluGP

THE ST. IVES TIMES & ECHO and HAYLE TIMES, July 18th, 2008.

## New community facilities on the way?

A NEW sports and community hall could be coming to Hayle if the hopes of local organisers come to fruition.

Research has been carried out over the last two years into the feasibility of such a facility in the town, which has proved favourable. Support has come from community health authorities, the police, social services, churches and a wide variety of local organisations.

The Community Activity Centre would serve Hayle and surrounding districts. The complex would offer a combined healthy lifestyle, multi-sports, centre and community hall and administration facility.

Plans are now afoot to get Penwith District Council and Hayle Town Council on board as well as interested private organisations.

The 'healthy lifestyle' centre would include a multi-disciplined combined sports and

community hall which would seat more than 400 people. There would also be a gym, sauna, shower and changing facilities, a creche, bar and cyber centre.

An administration area would specialise in the provision of services for young people as well as the elderly and would provide a range of services including business advice, employment skills, vocational courses, training, healthy living, youth advice and an information resource centre.

Organisers say similar facilities are available in other areas of Cornwall but people in Hayle have missed out in recent years and believe this idea will correct the problem.

They add that it has been shown in other areas that Community Activity Centres in other parts of the country end up becoming a vital resource for many people and provide a wide range of functions for local people. They draw people together and allows them to work for the benefit of the wider community.



FOR the third year running Paradise Park sponsored a painting competition in conjunction with West Cornwall in Bloom with invitations for entries going out to all infants and juniors schools in the West Cornwall in Bloom area of Penwith Camborne and Falmouth. The competitions theme was 'Wildlife' and its three age groups were judged by PDC with the winner being presented with their awards at Paradise Park on Saturday (12th July). The winners each received six tickets to the park for them and their families, a further thirty for their school class and a special owl trophy which they keep for the year. Pictured left to right are: John Bennett Theo Fleming, Chloe Mayers, Margaret Tanner, Rosie Lawrence, Andy Hewson

Photograph: Karen Andrews

St. Ives Times & Echo 18.7.08

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# Surf lifesavers celebrate a record year of achievements



ACHIEVEMENTS during the past year were celebrated by Hayle Surf Life Saving Club at their annual presentation evening. Guest speaker was Nigel Bowden, chairman of Surf Life Saving Cornwall and member of Perranporth SLSC, who also presented the certificates and trophies. Club chairman Graham Williams said: "The evening nicely rounded off another successful year for the club with plenty of qualifications gained, a record membership of over 200 people and success on the sports side. I would like to take the opportunity to thank all the committee, instructors, coaches and parents and local organisations and businesses for their financial support."

## Award-winners

Trophies were presented to: most improved rippers – Alec Funn and Bethany Frost; most enthusiastic rippers – Liam Moyle and Jemma Smitham; best ripper competitor – Britanny Smeadon; ripper shield – Tegan Hughes. Junior shields – Tom Orley and Mily Holman. Helen Bagnall plaque for personal achievement – Mike Penberthy, captain's cup – James Burlingham, the Helen Parker members' trophy – James Burlingham. Attendance certificates were also given to the rippers. In first place was Jemma Smitham and joint second were Tegan Hughes and Mona Hughes. Certificates for most points at competition were presented to Britanny Smeadon, Matt Trewhella and Vicky Burlingham.

Cornishman 22.1.09

# Engineering firm from Cornwall to help power wave farm

Cornishman 19.3.09

A CORNISH engineering firm will deploy power-generating devices at the world's largest commercial wave farm off the coast of Hayle.

Orecon, based in Bodmin, has been named as the fourth company to plug its innovative electricity generating technology into the Wave Hub, a £28 million government-backed project due to be built next year.

The firm is to replace Oceanlinx after the Australian company secured a government grant and decided to test its devices in home waters.

Orecon will test an energy "buoy", said to be capable of generating enough power for 1,000 homes.

David Crisp, chief executive, said: "Orecon is at a crucial stage in developing its technology and we hope Wave Hub will be the springboard to full-scale commercialisation."

"Wave Hub will give us the development platform we need to prove our technology to the world."

The pioneering project to generate enough electricity to power 7,500 homes is being led by the South West Regional Development Agency.

So far £4.5 million in funding

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has been secured with a decision on the remaining £23.5 million expected in May from the European Union Convergence Funding Committee.

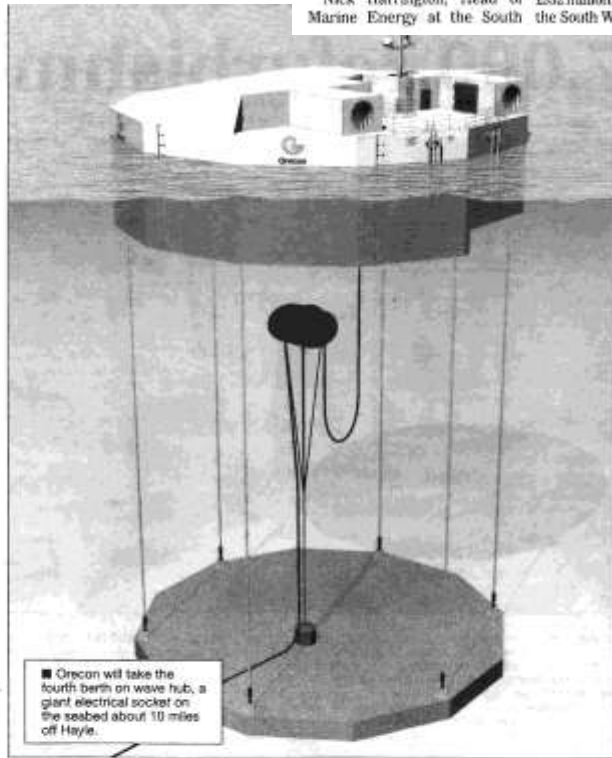
Wave Hub is effectively a giant electrical "socket" on the seabed, about 10 miles offshore, which will allow wave energy device developers to carry out pre-commercial testing on a scale not seen before.

A deal with harbour owners ING Real Estate to provide land to build an electricity sub-station is believed to have already been done.

Once funding has been rubber-stamped, construction is expected to start in May 2010 and be completed three months later, with the first wave energy devices deployed in 2011.

An independent economic impact assessment has calculated the project could create 1,800 jobs and inject £560 million in the UK economy over 25 years.

Almost 1,000 of these jobs and £302 million could be generated in the South West,



Orecon will take the fourth berth on wave hub, a giant electrical socket on the seabed about 10 miles off Hayle.

## Wave Hub back on course after contractor pulls out

A REPLACEMENT contractor working on St Ives Bay's Wave Hub has been appointed to the project after a previous company pulled out. The Bodmin based Orecon is to take over the fourth berth on the hub which aims to be operational from August next year.

The company was founded in 2002 as a spin-out business from the University of Plymouth. Last year it succeeded in raising \$24 million of private investment for the development of its wave to energy buoy, which can generate enough power for 1,000 homes.

Orecon takes the place of Australian company Oceanlinx which was expected to use Wave Hub. The company has since received a grant from the Australian Government and has decided to make its next deployment in Australian waters.

Wave Hub will be a giant electrical "socket" on the seabed, some 10 miles offshore and connected to the National Grid, into which wave energy device developers can plug their devices and carry out pre-commercial testing on a scale not seen before.

It is already being hailed as one of the UK's flagship renewable energy projects and is one of just six case studies to feature in the Government's Low Carbon Industrial Strategy which was launched in London last week by Prime Minister Gordon Brown, Climate Change Secretary Ed Miliband, and Business Secretary Lord Peter Mandelson.

Nick Harrington, Head of Marine Energy at the South

West Regional Development Agency (RDA), which is leading the Wave Hub project, said: "This is just the latest exciting development for Wave Hub, which is on course to be built next summer."

"We are now tendering for the electrical equipment and sub-sea cable, have agreed a new design that potentially gives us more generating capacity as technology evolves, and have applied for a safety zone around the project. Orecon is at a crucial stage in developing its technology and we hope Wave Hub will be the springboard to full scale commercialisation."

David Crisp, chief executive of Orecon, said: "The UK still leads the way in the development of wave energy technology and we have the best wave resources in Europe. Wave Hub will give us the development platform we need to prove our technology to the world and we're delighted to have been selected as one of the RDA's partners."

Construction of Wave Hub is expected to start in May 2010 and be completed by August 2011, with the first wave energy devices expected to be deployed in 2011.

Nick Harrington added: "Wave Hub is just part of a much bigger ambition to make South West England the cradle of offshore renewables development, not just in the UK, but the world."

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much of this by attracting companies to the North Quay area of the harbour.

Planning approval for a £220 redevelopment, including a hi-tech business park, is on the table and could be passed within weeks.

Orecon, formed in 2002 by University of Plymouth post-graduates Nicola Harper and Fraser Johnson, last year raised more than £17 million

from private investors to press ahead with its innovative wave energy design.

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Hayle in Bloom 2009



# Plant thieves may harm town's chances of glory

THIEVES who stole exotic plants from a walkway in Hayle twice in one week could jeopardise the town's hopes of glory in the national Britain in Bloom competition.

A total of 17 unusual plants, including palms and eucalyptus, costing £250, were taken last Wednesday night from the King George V Memorial Walk. A further 11 plants were taken on Tuesday night including four large bushes.

They were part of a batch bought with £2,500 of town and district council money which

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were intended to replace gaps left by blooms damaged during freezing weather earlier in the year.

Gardener Michael Kemp said: "We came into work the next day and there were great holes everywhere. There were lots of exotic shrubs and grasses so they obviously knew what they were looking for."

Thieves targeted grevillea, bromas, bottle brush, photinia, comprosma, zebra grasses,

surryops and strawberry trees all bought from nurseries and measuring up to a foot in height. They all went from locations at the swimming pool end of the walk, out of view of CCTV cameras.

Mr Kemp is worried that the theft would spoil the look of the walk and damage the town's chances in the coastal town section of the annual bloom competition. He said the gardeners were afraid to continue with the job in case the thieves struck again.

Mayor John Coombe said:

"We left it a few days after the last theft then planted some more - the thieves are clearly local because they know when we plant the more expensive varieties and are leaving the cheaper ones. We have run out of money now and are absolutely desperate."

Sgt Simon Dobson, of Hayle police, said they had no information to go on and desperately need the public to help. Anyone with information is asked to call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555111 or the police on 06452 77444.



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who has worked in the town for 16 years, said he was really annoyed after choosing most of the species himself.

"We came into work the next day and there were great holes everywhere," he said.

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He added that it was a case of 'déjà vu' after similar incidents in 2000 had meant weekly trips to the police station.

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"I know from bitter experience you can put them in one

day and they just take them the next," he said.

"We can't go on like this losing money hand over fist while somebody makes a quick buck."

Sergeant Simon Dobson, of Hayle police, said they had no information to go on and desperately need the public to help.

"If anyone has seen anything suspicious or been offered any plants to buy we urge them to get in touch straight away," Sgt Dobson said.

Anyone with information is asked to call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555111 or the police on 06452 77444 quoting ref AY/09/364

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# Thieves stun gardeners by returning rare exotic plants

THIEVES who stole exotic plants worth hundreds of pounds from a walkway in Hayle have stunned gardeners by bringing most of them back.

The collection of 17 unusual plants was uprooted and stolen in two separate incidents last month, just hours after being dug into the ground at King George V Memorial Walk.

The theft prompted generous offers of help around the town, including Wyevale Garden centre who donated vouchers for replacement plants.

### Shocked

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the plants sitting on the grass verge and seemingly none the worse for wear.

"A lady just came walking down the walk with a plant in her hand and asked if it was anything to do with us," he said. "It's absolutely incredible - either they were shamed into doing it, or it is someone with a guilty conscience."

"Anyway, we are delighted to have them back but we are still missing a few valuable bamboos and other bits so perhaps they would now like to return them."

After the first load was discovered at the Black Bridge part of the walkway another passer-by alerted the gardeners to a second group at the opposite end.

Mr Kemp said: "They hadn't been by the side of the road very long and you could tell they had been in earth since they were stolen. We have used them all



Wyevale Garden Centre present Hayle in Bloom with plants to replace stolen ones. From left: Dean Ford (store manager), Alvin Thomas (Hayle gardener), John Carter (gardener), Michael Kemp (gardener), Margaret Tanner (Hayle in Bloom chairman) and Chris Bassett (CC supervisor Hayle and St Ives).

again, though some of them have had to be nursed back to health."

The batch, costing £250, included grevillea, brooms, bottle brush, photinia, comprosmia, zebra grasses, euryops and strawberry trees.

They were bought with £3,500 of town and district council money.

Ludgvan, Phillack, St Erh and Gwinear.

## Hayle

Sheila Shields, Trellisick Road, Hayle

### ROSE & CABBAGE:

Tonight at 7.30pm the meeting of the Hayle Rose and Cabbage Horticultural Society will be held at Hayle Methodist Church Hall. The speaker will be Nigel Pascoe (Radio Cornwall and head gardener at Flambards) and his topic is "Year-round colour in the garden". Non-members are welcome.

### HAYLE IN BLOOM:

Hayle in Bloom Community Wildlife Garden Celebration Day at Hayle Library is on Saturday June 6 from 10am to 3pm. There is free car parking in the main car park; free refreshments, and entertainment with story times for the children from 10.30-11.30am and 1.30-2.30pm.

### ST ELWYN'S CHURCH:

Confirmation classes are tonight at 4pm for primary-aged children and 4.45pm for secondary, in St Elwyn's Hall. The Confirmation will be on Sunday May 31 at Pentecost with Bishop David. This will be a special service. Bishop David will also be at Pentecost with Bishop David.

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## HAYLE IN BLOOM

The sun is shining and Spring has arrived, Yippeel!

Our AGM was held on Monday, 23 February, at 7.30 pm at the Hayle Rugby Club. There was a very good turnout this year.

The following were elected to the Committee for 2009:

- Margaret Tanner – Chair
- Pam Northover – Treasurer
- Ingrid Kemp – Secretary
- Vice-Chair – Lorna Coombe

We would like to thank Mr. Dick Horwell for all his hard work as the previous Vice-Chair.

Everyone is gearing up for the competitions this year; South West in Bloom and Britain in Bloom.

Hayle in Bloom Committee have a request to all home owners with

gardens. Due to the severity of the recent weather, Hayle has lost a huge amount of plants. If you have any unwanted plants, large or small, please could you donate them to Hayle. Ring Brian Hosken, tel: 01736 336621, and leave details so that the two Hayle gardeners can come and collect them. Do not worry if a plant is too big, they will even dig it out for you so that it can be transplanted to a nice spot in Hayle to fill in the many gaps. We desperately need your support, so please ring. Thank you.

**Other news** Hayle in Bloom Committee had their annual social evening meal on 6 March at Trevaskis Farm. Everyone had a lovely time and the food was excellent.

Our meetings are held on the last

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## Blooming mystery: stolen plants are returned



■ Concerned staff at Wyevale Garden Centre in Lelant hand over replacement plants before the thieves returned most of the stolen items.

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£2,500 of town and district council money and were intended to replace gaps left by blooms damaged during freezing weather earlier in the year.

The theft was not covered by CCTV cameras but police are looking into the possibility that the return may have been captured.

Sergeant Simon Dobson confirmed that enquiries were still ongoing.

He said: "To be honest we don't know what has prompted the return though we have increased patrols and checked local car boot sales."

Anyone with information is asked to call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555111 or the police on 08452 777444.

*Although the loss of plants from King George V Memorial Walk was initially a disappointment, the response of individuals and sponsors by offering replacements was overwhelming. And even the perpetrators had second thoughts and returned most of the stolen plants.*

## Hayle in Bloom

Since Easter there has been good and bad news. Hayle in Bloom Committee have received donations from various organisations; the money has gone to buy additional plants for the King George V Memorial Walk and Penpol Terrace. These areas were devastated by the severe weather earlier this year. The Hayle gardeners, Mike, Alvin and John have been busy planting them out.

The bad news, due to a few mindless people these plants were stolen only hours after being planted on 3 separate occasions. This has been devastating not only to the gardeners but to the people who use the walk. As you have recently seen in the local press, radio and local police, there was a high profile about

this matter. However, since the press release some of the stolen plants have been returned in 2 piles, left at both ends of the walk. Some are still unaccounted for, so if you have any information, however small, please contact the Hayle Police Station. We must say a **BIG THANK YOU** to those kind people and businesses who have donated money and plants. Your generosity has helped replace some of the stolen plants and the big areas of bare earth. Everyone is busy gearing up for the South West in Bloom Competition in July.

One forthcoming event is 'Hayle Community Celebration Day'. This will be on **Saturday 6 June commencing at 10 am**. It will be held in the wildlife garden behind the Library. There will be **FREE PARK-**

**ING** available at the Commercial Road Car Park. There will be **FREE** refreshments plus lots of activities for the children and family. The day will include entertainment of Music and Singers. Please come along and support this event.

Our next meeting will be held on **Monday 29 June** at Hayle Rugby Club commencing 7.30 pm. Please come along if you are interested or look at our website [www.hayleinbloom.co.uk](http://www.hayleinbloom.co.uk).

Until the next time.  
**Ingrid Kemp – Secretary, Hayle in Bloom**

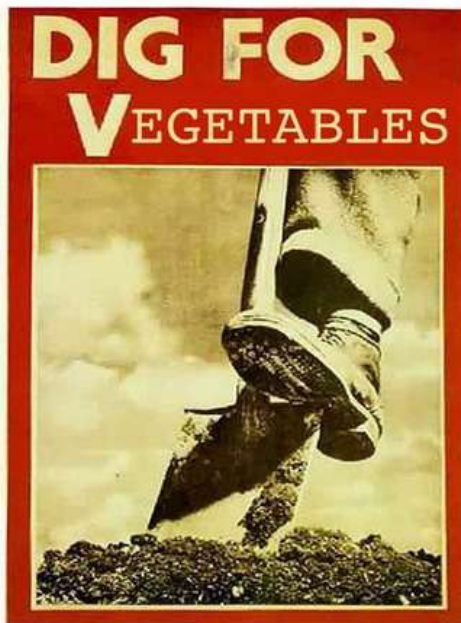
*Hayle Pump June/July 09*

*The Plant Exchange was a big success and will be repeated in the autumn.*

## FREE PLANT EXCHANGE

Grow a gardener's network in Hayle.

Bring your extra and spare plants to swap - no money needed !



Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June - from 10-1pm

57 Fore Street, Hayle (formerly the Salt Gallery)

Seedlings & saplings; fruits & flowers; hedge & herbaceous all welcome !



*Britain in Bloom posters appear all over town to encourage everyone to get involved.*