

# GODALMING TOWN COUNCIL



## PRESS RELEASE

### PRESENTATION OF QUALITY COUNCIL CERTIFICATE

Godalming Town Council was recently awarded Quality Council status and celebrated this fact on Thursday, 27 January 2011. The award was presented by the Earl of Lytton, President of the National Association of Local Councils, to Councillor Steve Cosser, Deputy Mayor of Godalming and Chairman of the Town Council's Policy & Management Committee. Also present to celebrate the Town Council's achievement were Carole Cockburn, the Mayor of Waverley; Trevor Leggo, Director of the Surrey County Association of Parish & Town Councils; Linda Butcher, President-Elect of the Society of Local Council Clerks; and many other guests.

Godalming Mayor, Councillor Jane Thomson, stated: "Godalming Town Council's officers and members have worked hard to improve local community engagement, support valuable local organisations and run the business of the council in a professional manner. This award is recognition of that work and we are looking forward to building on this success."

The Quality Parish & Town Council Scheme was launched in June 2003, following the publication of the Government's Rural White Paper 2000 as part of the drive to modernise local government and ensure that all local authorities are in touch with the communities they serve. It recognises that local councils have demonstrated the ability to work effectively within set standards to provide a representative and active body capable of playing a stronger role in the community.

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