



GIANT creatures including a lobster called Larry are set to take over a town's high street.

Rhyl Town Council has lifted the lid on its community events programme for the coming year.

The line-up includes a sea-themed festival with the giant inflatable lobster, sand sculpture workshops, face painting and live music.

The events get underway in March with music on the high street for St David's Day and stilt-walking bunnies on Easter Monday before Seafest returns to the town in May.

A music festival will bring the town alive in the summer months with Rhyl's countryside the theme in September.

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Free festive film showings - which support street homeless projects in the town - will return in December.

Rhyl Mayor Cllr Alan James said: "There is something happening in Rhyl in most months this year. The town council supports large show-stopper events, but also runs its own community events programme, now in its third year.

"Each time, we set out to bring something new and 2018 is no different with free activities and amazing experiences planned.

"Families will be able to have a go at making their own mini sand sculptures on the high street before heading out on the beach to try their new skills.

"A giant, moving lobster called Larry, our nod to the Visit Wales Year of the Sea theme, is set to be a selfie show-stopper and we'll also see local bands and musicians showcasing their talents."

Most of the events will be on the high street, with the aim of driving up footfall in the town.

"The council supports the larger Rhyl arena events including the air show and music festivals, but these community events enable us to shine a spotlight on other areas too.

"Ours is a vibrant and very different community programme, creating free colourful events and experiences for local people and we look forward to another action-packed year," added Cllr James.

For up-to-date event information see @RhylTownCouncil on Facebook and Twitter and @rhyltowncouncil on Instagram.

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