

## Press Release

### Hailsham Young People Invited To Eastside Youth Cafe

Young people in Hailsham can enjoy a wide range of activities throughout the spring and summer months at the Eastside Youth Café, which operates from the Maurice Thornton Pavilion in Orion Close on Monday evenings from 7pm to 8.30pm.

The Eastside Youth Café is open to those aged 12 (year 8) to 16 (year 11) and adds to the existing services provided by Hailsham Town Council at the Square Youth Café in Market Square.

A varied range of activities are on offer at Eastside Youth Cafe which is free to enter, provides a welcoming environment for young people to be themselves.

Activities include pool, table tennis, creative crafts, games and music, use of the skate park adjacent to the youth cafe, as well as cookery sessions whereby young people can work together to cook pizza, pasta, cakes, cookies, muffins, buns and more.

Additionally, a variety of outings are available to take part in at the PGL Activity Centre in Windmill Hill ranging from zip wire and giant swing to BMX biking, and raft building to archery.

Andy Joyes, Youth Project Coordinator at Hailsham Town Council said: "Eastside Youth Cafe, like the longer established Square Youth Cafe in the town centre was born from a vision to provide local young people with a safe place to relax and socialise with friends, play games, take part in activities and enjoy some refreshments."

"At the moment, we have a good core group of regulars attending and the cafe has attracted a few new faces in recent months. We are keen to see them come back and bring some friends too."

"We will continue to promote the Eastside Youth Cafe and hope numbers passing through the door will increase further as word spreads about the various activities on offer."

For further details about the Eastside Youth Café, contact Andy Joyes (Youth Project Coordinator) on 01323 841702. Alternatively send an email to [andy.joyes@hailsham-tc.gov.uk](mailto:andy.joyes@hailsham-tc.gov.uk)

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