

Our Hailsham



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Neighbourhood Planning Team: at a Location Near You Throughout June



The Town Council's Neighbourhood Planning Team are making themselves available to discuss your views on future housing development in various locations across the town throughout June.

Representatives from the Neighbourhood Planning Committee and Town Council members will be visiting different parts of Hailsham in their mobile demonstration unit to discuss the Neighbourhood Plan and enabling residents to take part in the important consultation process by completing a questionnaire.

Taking into account the proposed construction of 9,380

new houses (97% growth) in the Hailsham area, the Town Council agreed to prepare a Neighbourhood Development Plan under the powers granted by the Localism Act 2011, which will consider what type of homes should be provided and the level of infrastructure required to support both new housing and the existing community.

Councillor Paul Soane, chairman of the Neighbourhood Planning Committee, said: "The Neighbourhood Planning Team wants your views on what is needed in the town and the changes you would like to see happen. So please take this crucial opportunity to

help shape the future of our town by coming along to one of our mobile information sessions to be held at various locations in June, find out more about the process and complete our consultation questionnaire!"



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DATES, TIMES & LOCATIONS:

SAT 4 JUN	10am-2pm	Vicarage Field (Street Market/War Memorial)
SUN 5 JUN	10am-2pm	Tesco car park (North Street)
MON 6 JUN	10am-2pm	Hailsham Library car park (Western Road)
TUE 7 JUN	10am-2pm	Waitrose car park (by Charles Hunt Centre)
WED 8 JUN	10am-2pm	Waitrose car park (by Charles Hunt Centre)
THU 9 JUN	10am-2pm	Freedom Leisure car park (Vicarage Lane)
FRI 10 JUN	10am-2pm	Freedom Leisure car park (Vicarage Lane)
SAT 11 JUN	10am-2pm	Tesco car park (North Street)
SUN 12 JUN	10am-2pm	Freedom Leisure car park (Vicarage Lane)
MON 13 JUN	10am-2pm	Hailsham Library car park (Western Road)
	6.30pm-8.30pm	Country Park car park (off Gleneagles Drive)
TUE 14 JUN	10am-2pm	South Road/Station Road car park
	6.30pm-8.30pm	Hailsham East Community Centre (Vega Close)
WED 15 JUN	10am-2pm	Waitrose car park (NHS Health Centre side)
	6.30pm-8.30pm	Union Corner Hall car park (Hawks Road)
THU 16 JUN	10am-2pm	Waitrose car park (NHS Health Centre side)
	6.30pm-8.30pm	The Cedars (off Milland Road)
FRI 17 JUN	8.30am-12.30pm	Union Corner Hall car park (Hawks Road)
	6.30pm-8.30pm	Summerfields Avenue
SAT 18 JUN	10am-2pm	Vicarage Field (Street Market/War Memorial)
	6.30pm-8.30pm	Lion House Park (Mill Road)
SUN 19 JUN	10am-2pm	Freedom Leisure car park (Vicarage Lane)
	6.30pm-8.30pm	Freedom Leisure car park (Vicarage Lane)

Questionnaires can also be collected and posted at the following locations from Saturday 4th June to Saturday 16th July 2016:

- Hailsham Library (Western Road)
- Vicarage Field Surgery
- Chapter 12 Wine Bar (High Street)
- Hailsham MI Club (Western Road)
- Medical Centre (85 Battle Road)
- Hailsham Jewellers (High Street)
- Town Council Offices (Market Street)
- Quintin Medical Centre (Hawkwood Road)
- Seaforth Farm Surgery (Vicarage Field)
- Waitrose (Vicarage Field)
- Dippy Doodahs (High Street)
- Tesco (North Street)

For more information on the Hailsham Neighbourhood Plan visit the Town Council's website: www.hailsham-tc.gov.uk/neighbourhood-planning/



Want to report an urgent repair needed on Town Council maintained buildings and grounds?

The direct access facility is available out of normal working hours (before 9am/after 5pm and for 24 hours during weekends and bank holidays).

The number to call, if an urgent repair is needed outside of office hours, is:

07743 763923

*This service is provided to deal with genuine urgent reports to Town Council maintained properties and grounds, which arise when the Council offices are closed.

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Mayor Re-elected for 2016/17



Long-standing local councillor Nigel Coltman has been re-elected Town Mayor and Chairman for another year at the Town Council's annual general meeting held on 25th May.

Councillor Amanda O'Rawe will continue as Deputy Town

Mayor and Vice-Chairman and the following committees were confirmed:

Finance, Budget & Resources

Strategic Projects

Planning & Development

Communities

Neighbourhood Planning

Assets Review Sub-Committee

Full details about the Town Council's committees can be found on our website: www.hailsham-tc.gov.uk

"Thank you everyone for having faith in me. It is a privilege to continue in my role as Town Mayor for a second term."

"I am very much looking forward to a productive year ahead and the Town Council hopes that it will continue to achieve the objectives set out when we were elected last year. There is still a lot more work to be done and many more good things to be achieved by the Town Council."



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All Change! Town Centre Improvements Scheme

Work on a major project to improve Hailsham town centre, which includes road layout improvements, changes to parking and a new pedestrian crossing, is due to commence in the near future.

The scheme, which is being overseen by steering group MASHH (Movement and Access Strategy for Hailsham & Hellingly) of which Hailsham Town Council is a partner, seeks to establish road and transport improvements for Hailsham and Hellingly to help minimise the impact of more housing on the transport network.

The main elements of the town centre improvement scheme are:

- High Street: Widened footways, new pedestrian crossings, reduction in parking but additional loading bays to improve traffic flow, parking for blue badge holders, nine short-stay parking bays (30 minutes)
- Vicarage Lane/Road: Conversion to one-way south bound only, a new coach layover area, widened footways, improved pedestrian crossing.
- George Street: Widened footways, new zebra crossing, bus stop improvements.

Town and District Councillor Chriss Triandafyllou, who is a member of the MASHH Steering Group, said: "We apologise in advance for any disruption the work may cause when it starts, however these are vital long-term improvements to our town centre and the long-term benefits make this a very worthwhile investment."

Life-saving Defibrillators Installed in Hailsham



for an additional unit outside Hailsham Library (soon to be installed) and Hailsham East Community Centre (with the support of an additional grant from Wealden District Council – to be installed in the near future subject to necessary permissions).

Town and district councillor Chriis Triandafyllou said: “Many thousands of people die every year in the UK after suffering sudden cardiac arrest and national statistics prove that using a defibrillator could help save many of those lives. Hopefully the defibrillators will never be needed but it is essential to have these facilities in the town.”

“We are working to get more defibrillators installed in Hailsham soon and I would like to thank the councillors who have funded these important devices for the local community.”

Public Access Defibrillators (PADs) have been installed outside Hailsham Police Station, Vicarage Field NHS Surgery and Chandler’s BMW. They are all available for emergency use, 24/7, for the people of Hailsham.

The money needed for the purchase of three of the PAD units was received via Wealden District Council’s ‘Community Dividend’

fund, from which town and district councillors Chriis Triandafyllou, Nigel Coltman (current Town Mayor) and former Mayor Jo Bentley awarded their individual dividend money to Hailsham Town Council’s defibrillator project budget.

The Town Council covered the shortfall required for the installation of the units and further money was allocated

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Hailsham Town Council will be organising free familiarisation sessions soon in partnership with Eastbourne Area Community First Responders on the use of defibrillators and cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR).



The date, time and venue for the training sessions will be announced in the coming weeks and published on the Town Council’s public noticeboards, via social media and on their website. www.hailsham-tc.gov.uk



Children's MARKET

CHILDREN'S STALLS | FOOD, GIFT & ACCESSORY STALLS | HOG ROAST
CANDY FLOSS | FACE PAINTING (11AM-3PM) | BALLOON MODELLING
(AFTERNOON) | LOCAL PRIMARY SCHOOL STALLS WITH CHILDREN'S GAMES
& TOMBOLA | SPECIAL APPEARANCE FROM ELSIE THE DALEK!

SATURDAY 25TH JUNE
9.30am-4pm | Vicarage Field

Hailsham Festival FM will be broadcasting live at the event!



A COMMUNITY EVENT ORGANISED BY HAILSHAM TOWN COUNCIL IN PARTNERSHIP WITH HAILSHAM FORWARD

www.hailsham-tc.gov.uk



Hailsham Summer **FOOD & DRINK MARKET**

SATURDAY 30TH JULY
9.30am - 4pm | Vicarage Field

SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE. SEE YOU THERE!

**AUTHENTIC ITALIAN MARKET 'ITALIA IN PIAZZA' - SELLING
TRADITIONAL CHEESES, CURED MEATS, PASTA, OLIVE OILS,
BALSAMIC VINEGARS, REGIONAL SPECIALITIES AND MORE!**

plus

**THE USUAL STREET MARKET STALLS OFFERING A RANGE OF
LOCALLY SOURCED FOOD, CRAFTS, GIFTS AND ACCESSORIES**

HAILSHAM FESTIVAL FM WILL BE BROADCASTING LIVE FROM THE MARKET



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More Businesses Setting Up Shop in Hailsham

Business is booming in Hailsham, with latest figures showing a significant fall in the number of empty shop units in the town during the past two years.

In recent months, the town centre has welcomed Subway and Frame Works in



Hailsham High Street, Olivia B and Mismatch in St Mary's Walk, Todd's Barbers in George Mews and Dragon Photography Studio in Market Street plus additional charity shops – The Salvation Army located in the Quintins Centre, Age Concern in Vicarage Field and Kit Wilson Animal Trust in the High Street.

Also opening recently were The Snug Coffee Shop, Vapour Trail, Petersen's Estate Agents in the High Street, Bebble's Langos in George Street and Boots Opticians store in Vicarage Field, the latter of which was opened by the Deputy Town Mayor, Councillor Amanda O'Rawe.

A number of businesses in Hailsham have expanded including Ross & Co Commercial Estate Agents, Dream Doors which moved from the High Street to larger premises in Diplocks Way, Renaissance Originals which relocated from St Mary's Walk to a bigger retail space in George Mews and Neptune Home Design

Centre which has extended its showroom in North Street.

The town centre received a further boost recently when a brand new Poundland store opened in the High Street last year – an amalgamation of the former Wealden Beds, Stead & Simpson and Sussex Stationers retail units.

According to a recent vacancy rate survey conducted by Springboard, the percentage of vacant ground floor units in Hailsham currently stands at 7.4%, a decrease from 8% in July 2015. This compares to a current regional/South east average of 8.4% and national average of 9.1%, which is excellent news for Hailsham.

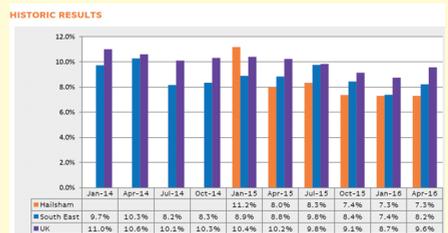


TABLE OF RESULTS

Springboard Vacancy Rate Survey	% Vacant Ground Floor Units
Hailsham	7.3%
South East	7.4%
UK	9.6%
% Independent Units	
Hailsham	63.0%
South East	31.3%
UK	42.3%

Survey Date: April 2016

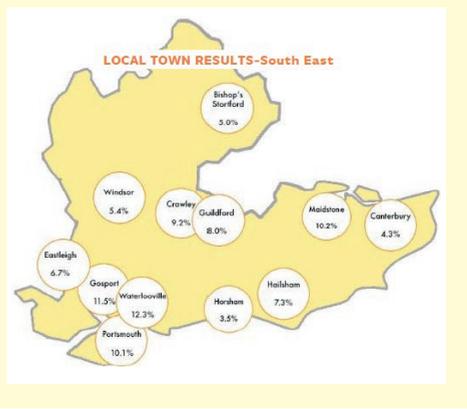
Deputy Town Mayor Councillor Amanda O'Rawe said she is delighted to see Hailsham's business activity strengthening and expects to see continual improvement during 2016 and beyond: "The Town Council and Hailsham

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Forward have key priorities to work with local businesses to deliver plans to help address the issue of empty shops further and work towards a 100% occupancy rate for retail and business units.”

“The fall in empty retail units and the town centre traffic improvements which are scheduled soon will help us build on our growing reputation as a safe, clean, vibrant market town with plenty to offer residents and visitors alike.”

Research conducted by Springboard



HAILSHAM FARMERS' MARKET

2nd Saturday of the Month

Cattle Market | 9am - 12.30pm

www.hailshamfarmersmarket.co.uk



FNP
THE
FRIDAY NIGHT PROJECT

Organised outings on
Friday evenings for 12-17s...
(yrs 7-12)

DRY SLOPE SKIING KAYAKING

SAILING TEN-PIN BOWLING

ROLLER SKATING SEGWAY WIND SURFING

GO-KARTING WAVE RUNNING LASERQUEST

GIANT PILLOWS GAMES AND MUCH MORE!



For further details, including bookings and programmes, call 01323 841702.
Alternatively, visit squareyouthcafe.com, hailshamyc.org or hailsham4youth.org



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OF THE SQUARE
YOUTH CAFE

Afternoons
Mon, Wed, Fri
3.15-5pm
Yr. 7, 8, 9

THE SQUARE YOUTH CAFE
1 MARKET SQUARE HAILSHAM www.squareyouthcafe.com

Evenings
Mon-Fri
7.15-9.30pm
Yr. 8 +



Loyalty Card Scheme for Shoppers

A loyalty card scheme has been launched in Hailsham to give customers a greater incentive to use town centre shops.

The Hailsham Card scheme, funded by Hailsham Forward and supported by Hailsham Town Council and the local Chamber of Commerce, offers exclusive discounts and offers to cardholders on independent retailers, helping businesses gain new regular customers in the process.

Annual membership will cost just £10 and cardholders can use the card to receive unlimited local discounts in all the local businesses that are part of the scheme, together with any other towns across Sussex that are signed up

to the scheme (including Eastbourne, Hastings, Bexhill and Battle).

Shoppers simply ask for the discount and show their Hailsham Card to get the saving. There are no points to collect, no paperwork and no vouchers to print out. Members also benefit from a free app listing each business and their discount.

Deputy Town Clerk & Business Enterprise Manager Mickey Caira said: "Hailsham has so much to offer to shoppers and the loyalty card scheme will really help to boost retail and footfall into the town centre. It's so important that people shop locally and we hope residents and visitors to the town will take advantage of the loyalty

card scheme and the range of exclusive discounts which they are entitled to."

More information on the Hailsham Loyalty Card Scheme and details about registering can be found at www.towncitycards.com/hailsham/



Stephen Minette, co-owner of MsMatch in St Mary's Walk

"I'm delighted to have registered with the Hailsham Card scheme. It's a great concept and I look forward to seeing other local businesses take part."

PARTICIPATING BUSINESSES IN THE HAILSHAM AREA (AS AT 31 MAY 2016):

- MsMatch (St Mary's Walk) • Hotdogs Grooming (George Street) • Renaissance Originals (Mews Shops, George Street) • Chapter 12 Wine Bar (High Street) • Freedom Leisure (Vicarage Lane)
- Olivia B (St Mary's Walk) • Bea-utiful Design & Print (Deanland Business Park, Golden Cross)
- Knockhatch Adventure Park (Hailsham By-pass) • Frame Works (High Street) • Fish Around (High Street)
- Cold Fusion Arts & Glass (Herstmonceux) • Isabelle's Beauty Treatments (Bowlley Road)
- Stitch N Sew (George Street) • Definitions Hairdressing (Vicarage Field) • 1066 Falconry (Hailsham)

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Hailsham Town Council Responsibilities • Street Lighting • Public Open Spaces & Common Land • Recreation Grounds & Playing Fields • Allotments • Children's Play Areas • Cemeteries & Burial Grounds • Square Youth Café & Youth Advisory Services.

For all enquiries relating to the above listed responsibilities, please contact Hailsham Town Council on 01323 841702 where a member of staff will be happy to advise you.

Memorial to be Unveiled for Local VC Hero

A commemorative stone is to be unveiled in Hailsham to honour the memory of Victoria Cross recipient, Company Sergeant Major Nelson Victor Carter.



Marking the 100th anniversary of Nelson Carter's act of gallantry that earned him the prestigious award during the early years of the First World War, a special ceremony will take place at the war memorial in Hailsham High Street in the afternoon of Saturday 2nd July at 3pm, where the commemorative stone will be unveiled to the public.

Company Sergeant Major Nelson Victor Carter VC, who was born in Eastbourne on 6 April 1887 and educated in Hailsham, was awarded the Victoria Cross for his actions on 30 June 1916 at Boar's Head, Richebourg l'Avoue, the award being the highest for gallantry in the face of the enemy that can be awarded to British and Commonwealth forces.

Town Mayor Councillor Nigel Coltman commented: "Our town is proud to commemorate Company Sergeant Nelson Victor Carter's heroic actions and remember all those who served during the First World War, especially those who made the ultimate sacrifice for freedom."

Councillor Frank Berry, (vice-chairman of the Royal British Legion Hailsham Branch) said: "Company Sergeant Nelson Victor Carter VC was a perfect example of the kind of bravery and self-sacrifice that military personnel from Sussex and across the country displayed during the First World War and indeed in subsequent conflicts."

MEETING ROOM FOR HIRE

Fleur de Lys

Town Council Offices ■ Market Street

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We Really Need Your Help!

Now! Charity Group Ltd has recently opened a new training centre 'Training Now!' on the Station Road Industrial Estate in Hailsham and urgently needs volunteers!

They need people to update furniture and sort clothes and household items, as well as handy men/women, tutors, cleaners and general administration support. In return, they offer the opportunity to make new friends and to make a difference to people's lives. They provide free training and all out of pocket expenses will be paid.

Volunteer Sharon Baldwin said that working for the Now! Charity has made a big difference to her life: "I have been on an incredible journey with Training Now! and I am now teaching again. I really thought my training days were over before I came along and volunteered. Training Now! is the reason I get up in the

morning. It is a life line and now my second family, I can't imagine life without Training Now!"

Telephone Kim at Training Now! On 01323 887299 for more details of volunteering opportunities. Alternatively, visit www.nowcharity.org.uk



Forthcoming Meetings

FULL TOWN COUNCIL

Meetings start at 7.30pm

- Wednesday 20 July
- Wednesday 28 September

FINANCE, BUDGET & RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Meetings start at 7.30pm

- Wednesday 6 July
- Wednesday 13 July
- Wednesday 14 September

COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE

Meetings start at 6.00pm

- Monday 4 July
- Monday 5 September

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING COMMITTEE

Meetings start at 7.00pm

- Thursday 30 June
- Thursday 14 July
- Thursday 15 September

STRATEGIC PROJECTS COMMITTEE

Meetings start at 7.30pm

- Wednesday 22 June
- Wednesday 7 September

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Meetings start at 6.30pm

- Tuesday 21 June
- Tuesday 12 July
- Tuesday 2 August
- Tuesday 23 August
- Tuesday 13 September

[All meetings are held in the Fleur de Lys Meeting Room and are open to the press and public, unless otherwise stated.]