



Hailsham

TOWN COUNCIL

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Hailsham Residents Invited to Allotment Open Day

3 June 2019

The Hailsham Allotment Society will open its doors to members of the public on Saturday 22nd June from 10am to 2pm for its annual open day, which will be officially opened by Councillor Paul Holbrook, Mayor of Hailsham.

The open day will take place at the Battle Road allotment site and will be attended by representatives from the Hailsham Horticultural Society, Canine Partners, Healthy Living Club, Cats' Protection and the Sussex Beekeepers' Association, as well as Hailsham FM.

Members of the Allotment Society will be on hand to answer questions and display the wide variety of vegetables and fruit grown on-site, helping to raise the profile of allotments and why it is beneficial to have one.

"I'm delighted to have been asked to attend and open the event," said Town Mayor Councillor Paul Holbrook. "The Allotment Society's open day is a great opportunity for people to see the plots, talk to the allotment tenants and learn a few tips and techniques for growing their own!"

"Experienced allotment holders will be happy to answer visitors' questions about growing fruit and vegetables, and also give suggestions and advice on how to get started with an allotment."

"We hope to see lots of people come along on the day and see what is on offer."

Terry Miller, secretary of the Hailsham Allotment Society said: "It's that time of year when we can show off some of Hailsham's allotments and invite the general public to come and see what is involved in maintaining a plot and also have any questions answered about growing fruit and vegetables."

"Anyone with an interest in allotments and growing their own food is welcome to attend and enjoy the open day."

At present, the Council manages 96 plots on three sites: Battle Road (59 plots) Station Road (14 plots) and Harold Avenue (23 plots). Standard plots are 3 or 5 rods in size.

Rental costs are £23.10 per annum for 3-rod size and £39.60 per annum for 5-rod size. A £50 deposit is requested for newly registering plot-holders.

To request being added to the allotment rental waiting list, please contact Karen Giddings (Environment & Planning Officer) on 01323 841702 or email karen.giddings@hailsham-tc.gov.uk.

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