

Our Hailsham

JUNE 2019

NEW POST OFFICE OPENING SOON IN HIGH STREET

The Town Council is pleased to announce that work on the fitting out of the town's new Post Office, located at 10 High Street, is due to be completed and the premises are scheduled to open to the public very soon.

In setting its budget last year, the Town Council agreed to take over the Post Office if other franchise applications were unsuccessful, in order to protect the service and the staff.

The Town Council has worked with the Post Office on the franchise application, which was delayed due to the withdrawal from the process by the applicant who was originally awarded the franchise. As the process was restarted, the Town Council wishes to express its gratitude to residents for their patience in recent months as the franchise application is not an easy process and indeed took some time.

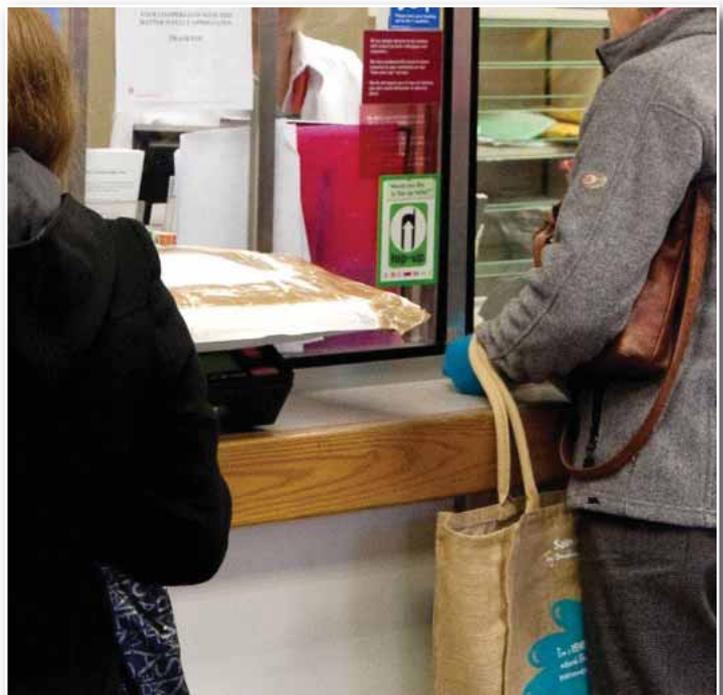
"The post office is an essential component of our community, and indeed any local community," said Town Clerk John Harrison. "By agreeing to apply for the franchise and take over day-to-day operations of the new premises, your Town Council has ensured that our local post office is safeguarded and has a sustainable future for residents and local businesses."

Town Mayor Councillor Paul Holbrook said: "It's not commonplace for a town or parish council to take over the running of local post offices. Nevertheless, by taking the post office project on, we can ensure that this vital service in the



local community continues successfully - every town deserves to have sufficient post office facilities."

"I would like to thank all the officers involved with making this happen, in particular the Town Clerk, as well as all our town councillors who supported taking on the post office, its staff and responsibilities."



NEW MAYOR ELECTED AT ANNUAL MEETING

Long-serving local councillor Paul Holbrook has been elected Town Mayor & Chairman at the Annual Meeting of Hailsham Town Council held on Wednesday 15th May.

The Annual Meeting also elected Councillor Amanda O'Rawe as Deputy Town Mayor & Vice-Chairman and various representatives for local community organisations.

A long-serving member of the Town Council, Councillor Holbrook has also previously represented Hailsham on Wealden District Council. A builder by trade, he has lived in Hailsham for over 45 years, having raised a family here with his wife, Barbara Holbrook, who is also a Hailsham town councillor.

Councillor Holbrook's long-term vision is for a town that is community driven, with a positive and co-operative mindset - and will continue working towards an improved town that will become an attractive focus for the growing population of Hailsham.

During his address, Councillor Holbrook stated that it will be another busy year ahead for the Town Council and looks forward to contributing to its future achievements, including helping to provide better facilities for Hailsham and helping towards revitalising the town.



MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR & CHAIRMAN

"I am deeply honoured to have been elected by the Council as Town Mayor and Chairman, yet, despite the many privileges associated with the role, I am aware of the burden of responsibility which it brings as an ambassador and representative of the people of Hailsham.

A lot can be achieved in our town and the Council has elected somebody going forward as Town Mayor who will work with different groups of people to overcome the challenges we face in the future. Hailsham is a special place, and I will work hard to ensure that it remains so.

In my capacity as Chairman of the Council, I will work hard for the good of this town and all who live and work here. I am at ease knowing that much can be achieved with the support of an active team of fellow town councillors and officers – and the support of the town's people too.

Over the years, I have witnessed how the Town Mayor and Chairman can be a unifying force for the town and I really hope that I can achieve this too during my term.

I look forward to the many opportunities to recognise, celebrate and support dedicated people working in the voluntary, business, education, and local government sectors. I am at your disposal and if I can be of assistance to you in any way, please contact the Town Council Offices."

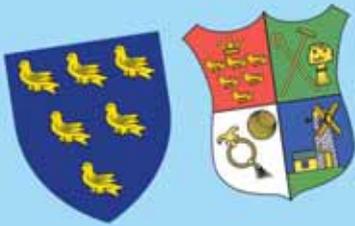
Councillor Paul Holbrook

Town Mayor & Chairman, Hailsham Town Council



HAILSHAM SUSSEX DAY

Saturday 15th June
9AM-3PM, TOWN CENTRE



SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY IN ALL THE
WONDERFUL THINGS THEY ARE DOING LOCALLY!

MARKET STALLS SELLING LOCALLY SOURCED
FOOD, GIFTS, ACCESSORIES AND MORE...

**DISCOUNTS, PROMOTIONS & SPECIAL
OFFERS FROM PARTICIPATING
TOWN CENTRE BUSINESSES!**

SENSORY TENT

**LIVE ENTERTAINMENT FROM THE PETER WILLSON
QUARTET, LONG MAN MORRIS DANCERS AND
THE SUSSEX STOMPERS!**

ACTIVITY STALLS | CANDY FLOSS | HAILSHAM FM

FAMILY FUN FOR EVERYONE!



A community event organised by Hailsham Town Council and project partners.

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YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN: WE'RE ALMOST THERE!



The final steps towards the publication of a Neighbourhood Plan for Hailsham are coming ever closer, following a recent public consultation held by the district council on the final Plan documents.

In accordance with Regulation 16, residents and organisations were invited to comment on the submitted Neighbourhood Plan, written by a group made up of members from the Town Council and the local community – a document which proposes a number of policies relating to what infrastructure and development is needed to sustain future housing growth in the Hailsham area.

It is the responsibility of the District Council to collect all comments and representations from the recent consultation, which, once inspected by an independent examiner, will proceed to public referendum later this year.

"It's been a long process to get this far with the development of a neighbourhood plan for Hailsham," said Town Clerk John Harrison. "Nevertheless, I'm really pleased for the local community after the amount of work they have contributed to get to this stage in the process."

Councillor Mary Laxton, chairman of the Neighbourhood Planning Committee, said: "The neighbourhood plan has

been produced for the benefit of local people and the numerous consultation and public engagement exercises organised since day one have provided a real opportunity for you all to help influence the way in which the Hailsham area is developed in the future."

To find out more about the Neighbourhood Plan and latest announcements, please visit:
www.hailshamneighbourhoodplan.co.uk





HAILSHAM SUSSEX DAY

Saturday 15th June
9am - 3pm, Town Centre



- DOMINO'S PIZZA** 32 High Street • **60% OFF ON COLLECTION / 50% OFF ON DELIVERY**
- FRAME WORKS** 42 High Street • **20% OFF BESPOKE FRAMING**
- FRENCHIE'S** Unit B, Rear of Wentworth House, George Street • **10% OFF IN-STORE**
- FOCUS MEDICAL EYE CENTRE** 18 High Street • **25% OFF SELECTED FRAMES AND LENSES**
- MSMATCH** 12 St Mary's Walk • **20% OFF CLOTHES / 10% OFF EVERYTHING ELSE**
- CALENDER'S RESTAURANT** 80 High Street • **20% OFF YOUR FOOD BILL ALL DAY**
- LOVE LASHES** 1 The Mews Shops, George Street • **10% OFF GIFT VOUCHERS**
FROM SAT 15 JUNE to SAT 22 JUNE
- DEFINITIONS HAIR & BEAUTY** 2 Vicarage Field • **10% OFF ALL PRODUCTS PURCHASED ON THE DAY**
- BEBBLE'S LANGOS** 10 George Street • **15% OFF ALL ORDERS**
- MFC SUPPLIES** 9 Station Road • **10% OFF PRODUCTS (EXCLUDING GUNS AND AMMUNITION)**
- JOHNSON'S** 12 The Quintins • **20% OFF ALL DRY CLEANING BROUGHT INTO THE STORE**
- TAYLOR ENGLE** 11 High Street • **10% OFF SALES INSTRUCTIONS AND HALF PRICE**
LANDLORDS SETTING UP FEES DURING JUNE
- MAYBUGS** 27 Vicarage Field • **10% OFF EVERYTHING**
- PUMPKIN PATCH** 10a St Mary's Walk • **15% OFF FABRICS AND HABERDASHERY**
(EXCLUDING SALE ITEMS AND OFFERS)
- SPECIAL OCCASIONS** 6 High Street • **25% OFF ALL GREETING CARDS, GIFTS AND**
BESPOKE FRAMING

PROMOTIONS, DISCOUNTS AND SPECIAL OFFERS AT PARTICIPATING SHOPS!



A community event organised by Hailsham Town Council and project partners.

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ALMOST £25K GRANT FUNDING AWARDED TO COMMUNITY GROUPS

Community groups and voluntary organisations across Hailsham are set to benefit from £24,987 worth of grants after recommendations from the Finance, Budget & Resources Committee were ratified by the Town Council. These grants form part of the 2019/20 Community Grant Scheme.

The Town Council has awarded grants to a wide range of community groups that aim to introduce improved facilities, activities or projects for the benefit of the town's residents.

Councillor Gavin Blake-Coggins, chairman of the Finance, Budget, Resources & Staffing Committee said, "Our yearly grant scheme is the main way in which the Town Council provides funding and support to the voluntary sector. Most of the time, voluntary groups and charities survive on the generosity of donations from the public, fundraising and the willingness of volunteers to give up their time."

The next deadline for grant aid applications (2020/21) will be the end of January 2020. Please call 01323 841702 or visit our website (www.hailsham-tc.gov.uk) for further details and an application form.

TRADE AT HAILSHAM STREET MARKET!

The **HAILSHAM STREET MARKET**
EST. 2013

EVERY SATURDAY
VICARAGE FIELD
8.30am-3.00pm

Locally sourced food - crafts
unique gifts - accessories
and much more...
SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

Only £25 for
a 3x3m gazebo

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An initiative by **HAILSHAM FORWARD**

HAILSHAM TOWN COUNCIL

H Hailsham Farmers Market



HAILSHAM SUMMER MARKET

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SATURDAY 20TH JULY
9AM - 3PM | VICARAGE FIELD

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SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE. SEE YOU THERE!
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A RANGE OF MARKET STALLS SELLING LOCALLY
SOURCED FOOD, CRAFTS, GIFTS AND ACCESSORIES

plus

SPECIALIST FRENCH MARKET, COURTESY OF TRADERS LE MARCHE



LIVE MUSIC AND STREET ENTERTAINMENT



HAILSHAM FM WILL BE BROADCASTING LIVE FROM THE MARKET



A COMMUNITY EVENT ORGANISED BY HAILSHAM TOWN COUNCIL
AND PROJECT PARTNERS

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HAILSHAM FARMERS' MARKET

- EST. 1997 -



SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL FARMERS & CRAFTSPEOPLE

MEATS FRUIT & VEG PLANTS CRAFTS CAKES HANDMADE CARDS HONEY AND MORE!

Every second Saturday of the month

9AM - 12.30PM

Cattle Market Site (Market Street)

FREE ON-SITE PARKING

www.hailshamfarmersmarket.co.uk | Facebook: **HailshamFarmersMarket**

ACTIVITIES GAMES & SPORTS

MONDAY YOUTH CLUB

18.30-20.00

SCHOOL YEARS 7-11

JAMES WEST COMMUNITY CENTRE
BRUNEL DRIVE

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01323 843 377

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Fleur de Lys Meeting Room



£10
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Includes access to small kitchen, use of garden and free Wi-fi facility

from £20
per session for community groups and voluntary organisations

BOOKING & MORE INFORMATION:

01323 841702

enquiries@hailsham-tc.gov.uk



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Twitter updates:

[hailshamtowncouncil](https://twitter.com/hailshamtowncouncil) (HailshamTC)



Fishing Season

Tickets Available



Summer is now here - and so is the onset of the fishing season! Angling enthusiasts can take advantage of the best coarse fishing and cast a line on the Town Council's waterways.

Fishing is currently permitted on season at two Town Council managed sites: Hailsham Country Park lake (off Gleneagles Drive) and Hempstead Pond (adjacent to Tilehurst Wood).

Both fishing areas are well-stocked with fish including carp, bream, roach, rudd, tench, perch and pike.

Daily fishing permits can be obtained from MFC supplies in Station Road and yearly season tickets are available from the Town Council offices (£40 adult; £25 senior citizens, disabled and children under 16 years). A current Environment Agency rod licence and passport photo must be produced when purchasing permits.



HAILSHAM Heritage TRAIL

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Learn more about our heritage and history by walking the Hailsham Heritage Trail.

Copies of the Hailsham Heritage Map & Guide are available for members of the public to purchase (cost £2) at the Town Council offices in Market Street.

Interactive copies of the Trail can be downloaded from the Hailsham Town & Shopping Guide, details of which can be found at www.hailshamforward.co.uk.



SCHEDULE OF FORTHCOMING MEETINGS



TOWN COUNCIL (FULL): Wednesday 17th July (James West Community Centre, Brunel Drive);
Wednesday 25th September (meetings start at 7.30pm)

FINANCE, BUDGET, RESOURCES & STAFFING COMMITTEE: Wednesday 24 July (meeting starts at 7pm)
ASSETS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE: Wednesday 26 June; Wednesday 31 July; Wednesday 21 August;
Wednesday 18 September (meetings start at 7pm)

COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE: Monday 1 July; Monday 19 August (meetings start at 6pm)

STRATEGY COMMITTEE: Monday 8 July (meetings start at 7pm)

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: Tuesday 25 June; Tuesday 16 July; Tuesday 6 August; Tuesday 27 August;
Tuesday 17 September (meetings start at 7pm)

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING COMMITTEE: (meeting dates to be determined as required)

*All meetings are held in the Fleur de Lys Meeting Room/Council Chamber and are open to the press and public, unless otherwise stated.

James West Community Centre
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A multi-purpose venue for residents, businesses and community groups in Hailsham.

MODERN AND WELL-EQUIPPED HALL IDEAL FOR SPORTS
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TWO MEETING ROOMS SUITABLE FOR GROUP MEETINGS,
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enquiries@hailsham-tc.gov.uk

www.jameswestcommunitycentre.org

HAILSHAM YOUTH SERVICE

THE SQUARE YOUTH CAFE

Activities

- FREE ENTRY!
- TVs, Internet & Wi-fi
- Games & Cooking
- Karaoke & Movie Nights
- Pool & Table Football
- Console & Video Games

Open Times

- **AFTERNOONS**
Mon-Fri | 3.15pm-5pm
(Years 7-8)
- **EVENINGS**
Mon-Fri | 6.45pm-9pm
(Years 9-12)

A SAFE, SUPPORTIVE AND FUN PLACE TO BE!

1 Market Square - Hailsham

www.hailshamyouthservice.org/square.html

FNP
THE FRIDAY NIGHT PROJECT



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

GO-KARTING | CANOEING & SAILING | BUNGEE TRAMPOLINES
ZORB FOOTBALL | ICE SKATING | WAVE RUNNER | TEN-PIN BOWLING

For further details, including bookings and programmes, call 01323 841702.

Alternatively, visit www.hailshamyouthservice.org

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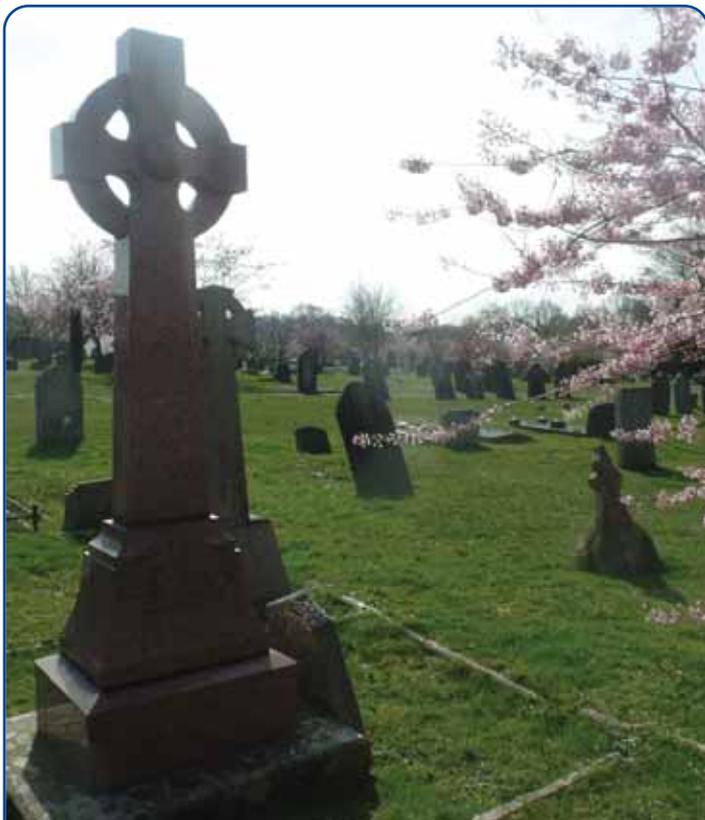
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COUNCIL COMMITTEES FOR 2019/20

Six Standing Committees have been appointed by the Town Council for the 2019/20 municipal year, these being:

- **ASSETS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE** (Management of Town Council-maintained land and property)
- **COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE** (Community events and markets, town revaluation and business development)
- **FINANCE, BUDGET, RESOURCES & STAFFING COMMITTEE** (Precept, budget, contracted services and staffing)
- **STRATEGY COMMITTEE** (Establishment and monitoring of a business plan of priorities for the Town Council)
- **PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE** (Commenting on planning applications and other planning related matters)
- **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING COMMITTEE** (Overseeing the production and fulfilment of the Hailsham Neighbourhood Plan)

A full schedule of Committee meetings, in addition to bi-monthly meetings of Full Council, is available to view on the Town Council website: www.hailsham-tc.gov.uk.



CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR SHOPPER LOYALTY SCHEME

The Hailsham Card scheme, funded by Hailsham Forward and fully supported by the Town Council, continues to offer exclusive discounts and offers to cardholders on independent businesses throughout the town centre.

Membership of the Hailsham Card, which are available to purchase at the Town Council offices in Market Street, costs just £10 and cardholders can use the card to receive unlimited local discounts in all the local businesses that are part of the scheme (including any online businesses) together with any other towns across Sussex that are signed up to the scheme, including Eastbourne, Hastings and Bexhill.

For more information or to register, visit
www.towncitycards.com/hailsham/

TOWN COUNCIL TO SUPPORT DEMELZA CHARITY

The Town Council has responded to a request by the Demelza Hospice Care for Children charity and agreed to support their Halloween Pumpkin Hunt event in Hailsham High Street on 31st October.

Demelza organised seven pumpkin hunts in the South East last year and the charity would like to extend the event to Hailsham, at which local businesses will participate in the hunt by giving children a small prize when they enter the shop and find a pumpkin. A fancy-dress competition will also be organised.

The Town Council has agreed to support the charity event by way of free use of gazebos and help with promoting the event online and in the local press.

CEMETERY SUPERINTENDENT PRAISED

Following a recent inspection of Hailsham Cemetery by councilors, Cemetery Superintendent Steve Gillett – who stepped into the role last year – has been thanked for all his hard work in bringing the cemetery at Ersham Road to the standard it should be and for making considerable improvements to the site.

A schedule of works for further improvements has been put in place and will be carried in the coming months.

FREE EXERCISE SCHEME

A free exercise class scheme launched by Hailsham Active in partnership with the Town Council and Our Parks/Fields In Trust, continues to benefit the local community, inspiring people to become more active and improve their health into the bargain.

Exercise sessions have now returned to the Western Road recreation ground for the summer period on Saturday mornings (9am-10am), and Tuesday evenings (6.30pm-7.30pm).

Classes, which include yoga, pilates, back-to-exercise and gentle exercise activities, are free of charge for the first four weeks. Thereafter, a voluntary contribution of £2.50 per session will be introduced.



To join and book a space, visit www.ourparks.org.uk