



Hailsham
TOWN COUNCIL

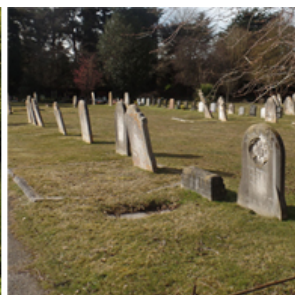


ANNUAL REPORT

2022-2023

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Introduction: Town Mayor & Chairman's Report



Approaching the end of my fourth term as Town Mayor and Chairman, I am delighted to introduce Hailsham Town Council's Annual Report for the 2022/23 financial year.

It is with great pride that I have been able to serve the town of Hailsham once again. The past twelve months have been extremely busy with many projects being undertaken by your Town Council. In this Annual Report, I hope we will be able to give you an insight into the work we have carried out.

In terms of my role as Mayor, I am looking forward to the remaining few weeks of my term of office and feel honoured to represent the people of Hailsham and look forward to getting out and about and meeting as many of you as I can at forthcoming civic engagements.

I will continue to visit as many places and people as possible to raise the profile of local charities, community groups and voluntary organisations, all of which work selflessly to help others and make individuals lives just that much better and brighter. I am sure that the warm-hearted and generous people of our town will continue to join and support those most in need during 2023.

The community and voluntary sector play a significant role within Hailsham, fulfilling a broad range of requirements for the local community. The benefits that come from a having such a vibrant community and voluntary sector creates many positives for the town by providing services to those in need, volunteering for those who need to develop their life skills, as well as providing the means for people to become involved in their community or simply leisure opportunities.

I am impressed by the work in the town by volunteers who help run these organisations and, having recognised and supported such organisations in the past wherever I can, I am certain that there are many unsung heroes upon who so much depends on the success of fundraising events and other vital work in the community.

In terms of my role of Chairman, I'd like to stress that the Town Council is currently working towards making its frontline operations as efficient as possible. Like many town and parish councils across the country, we are committed to providing value for money.

We all know that, currently, times are tough amid the cost-of-living predicament, increased inflation and soaring food and energy bill prices. As a direct result of this, the Town Council has had to make some cutbacks as demonstrated in its recent budget-setting for the next financial year. We may face additional challenges in the coming year and face further difficult decisions on how to balance the provision of essential quality services with ever-decreasing budgets and increased expenses.

The way the Town Council operates will continue to transform.

One development worth mentioning again is the fact that town councillors recently agreed to freeze their members' allowances for the next financial year, as a gesture of good will to residents amid the cost-of-living crisis. Allowances paid to all 18 members of the Town Council will not increase in the coming year to reflect the current unstable economic climate, increased living expenses and austere times facing residents.



Whilst our allowances only represent a small fraction of the annual Council budget and expenditure, it's crucial that we all lead by example by accepting a pay freeze, and by playing our part in minimising the Council's costs and the consequent passing on of costs to residents. It's only right that we do this.

I would like to end my report with two things. Firstly, by reminding you all that a new Town Council will be formed this coming May and there are still several challenges to face and many obstacles to overcome. Many of the challenges in the past, and many of the challenges in the future rely heavily on you, the parishioners, for support as well as the new Town Council members, as well as Council staff.

I can't finish without my thanks going to my wife, Consort and fellow town councillor Barbara Holbrook, who has attended some engagements alongside me during the past year. Thanks also to the Deputy Town Mayor and Vice-Chairman Councillor John Puttick for his valuable help and determination, and to all Town Council staff - officers, the works team, youth workers and post office operatives - for everything they do to keep our machine up and running.

Councillor Paul Holbrook
Town Mayor & Chairman, Hailsham Town Council



Chairman's Report: Finance, Budget & Resources Committee



The Town Council adopted the recommendation put forward by the Finance, Budget & Resources Committee for the next financial year (1st April 2023-31st March 2024) and the agreed budget of £1,281,529 with amount of precept of £1,281,505 to be requisitioned from Wealden District Council, with the shortfall in the budget of £23 to be drawn from Council reserves.

This means that council tax for a Band D property in Hailsham will be £166.65, which represents only a £3.42 per year increase on the previous year – a 2.1% increase, which is well below inflation.

In making the recommendation for the budget, the Town Council aims to provide continuing security for essential services for residents and visitors alike with value for money improvements where possible.

Town Council members and officers have worked tirelessly together over many months to ensure that any tax variation is minimised for the next financial year. Difficulties have arisen and the Town Council has been subject to external pressures such as economic inflation and the cost-of-living crisis.

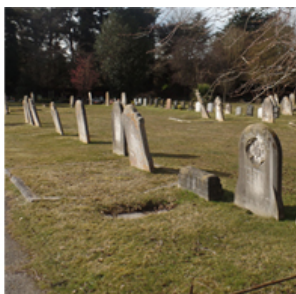
Some key changes which have affected the Town Council during the current financial year include significant increase in the cost of utilities across most Town Council-maintained sites, in addition to horticultural contract price rises (in line with RPI) and an increase in running costs for the James West Community Centre.

The Town Council has made changes to ensure that Hailsham residents are not burdened with such cost increases, and this has required the Council to make savings in a number of areas. These changes and savings have resulted in a very small increase in the Town Council's budget and subsequently, its share of the precept.

Our focus for the next year is to make a small number of required cutbacks, to ensure the tax increase is as low as possible, whilst continuing to operate our core services efficiently, including the running of the high street post office, youth services, public conveniences, community halls, cemetery and play areas, to name but a few.

Locally, the Town Council is committed to supporting community-based initiatives and voluntary organisations, and throughout the next 12 months, will continue to work hard and drive forward initiatives to promote the town as a key location to live, work and visit, helping to boost the local economy

Councillor Steve Keogh
Chairman, Finance, Budget & Resources Committee



Chairman's Report: **Assets Management Committee**



The Assets Management Committee deals with Town Council properties such as play areas, open spaces, Hailsham Country Park, the Common Pond, sports grounds, allotments, tree maintenance, grass cutting, litter bins and buildings such as Maurice Thornton Pavilion, the James West Community Centre, cemetery buildings and Grovelands Barn, the Cortlandt former stable block building and public toilet facility in North Street, 1 Market Square building, bus shelters and street lighting.

The Committee has focused on a number of projects during the last year, and I have listed a few of them below, some of which are completed, and some are in the process of being organised:

- Work to the Common Pond islands
- The new bus shelter is due to be installed shortly in Hawks Road
- The all-weather track at Western Road Recreation Ground is now completed and lighting is due to be installed on this pathway shortly
- New footpaths at Hailsham Cemetery
- A new defibrillator has been installed in the Town Centre, on Vicarage Field
- The Committee is currently working on a "Health Parks Project" to consider improvements to various spaces owned by the Council
- The Town Council is due to adopt land at Welbury Farm, next to the James West Community Hall in Brunel Drive
- The Town Council is also due to adopt the new Village Green at Cuckoo Fields Development

The Assets Committee, with the help of local organisations, have also organised a Warm Bank for local residents to visit at the James West Centre on a Saturday and Sunday morning, alongside the Community Fridge. This has proved very popular in the winter months and the Committee hope to continue offering this service for the residents of Hailsham. Thank you to everyone who has assisted in volunteering and helping with this much needed facility.

The Assets Committee also continues to work with the local Sports Clubs and Hailsham Active to continue to improve the local sports facilities assisting where it can with Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) funding.

I would like to thank everyone on the Assets Management Committee for all their hard work as well as everyone who is involved in all the projects linked to the Committee.

Councillor Trevor Powis
Chairman, Assets Management Committee



Chairman's Report: **Planning & Development Committee**



In the last year, the Planning & Development Committee has considered 116 planning applications, 4 of these being major applications and 6 of these East Sussex County Council applications.

The Committee meets every three weeks to consider the planning applications that have been submitted and then puts forward its views to Wealden District Council. We are only consultees so we cannot make the decision on whether to approve or object to an application - we can only offer our opinion.

The Committee has recently commented on the consultation for the changes to the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF).

Amongst other things, the Committee has responded to the consultation to state that:

- Green belt land should not be released unless the need can be fully substantiated, for example in the case that all brown field sites have been utilised
- Planning Authorities must use up to date accurate and comprehensive evidence - The evidence must be credible and in simplistic wording understood by residents
- Detailed information must be fully accessible to residents and demonstrate the implications for carbon pollution and ecosystems impact of every development.
- The Town Council fully supports the availability of homes for social rent
- Housing must be provided for an ageing population, for example developments should have a mix of bungalows
- Agricultural land should be specifically protected within the NPPF
- All new developments must be planned and designed to adapt to climate change.

The Committee is also very pleased to hear that the Hailsham Neighbourhood Development Plan is being given more weight under these new rules.

The proposed relocation of the Cattle Market to a site at Land to the West of the A22 Hailsham Bypass has recently been considered by the Planning & Development Committee. The Town Council has opposed the application, as it is concerned at the detrimental effect a Cattle Market on this site will have on the neighbouring and local businesses as well as concerns over the traffic congestion such a development would create in this area.

The Town Council are awaiting the Wealden District Council Local Plan, which should be ready this year.

I would like to thank everyone on the Committee for their hard work throughout the year.

Councillor John Puttick
Chairman, Planning & Development Committee



Chairman's Report: **Communities Committee**



The Town Council's Communities Committee organises several events throughout the year. As always, I would like to thank our fantastic partners who work so hard to organise the community events in the town – including Hailsham Lions Club, Hailsham Rotary Club, Hailsham News, Hailsham Forward, Hailsham Community College, Hailsham Parish Church, Hailsham Bonfire Society, Hailsham Farmers' Market, Hailsham FM, Hailsham Festival and the Hailsham Community Groups Forum.

Of course, we have the King's Coronation on Saturday 6th May. On Sunday 7th May, the Bonfire Society is organising a Fun Day at Western Road Recreation Ground in celebration of the Coronation.

The Town Council will be erecting bunting and flags in Hailsham High Street in honour of the Coronation and Hailsham Parish Church is organising many celebratory events. Currently, the Church is organising a short civic service on Friday 5th May and will be live screening the 90-minute Coronation service from Westminster Abbey on Saturday 6th May. There will also be a Service of Celebration for All Ages event at the church Sunday 7th May at 10.30am.

The Town Council continues to run a weekly street market every Saturday.

For the first time, this Easter, the Town Council is organising a cryptic Easter Hunt taking place between 3rd and 5th April, whereby participants are encouraged to follow the clues around the town. For more details, please visit the Town Council website.

Our Christmas Lights Switch-on event will be held again this year on Friday 24th November. As usual, we will have some carol signing from the local schools and Santa will be in attendance courtesy of Hailsham Rotary Club. The Hailsham Lions will also be selling candy floss and Hailsham FM will be providing the Christmas music.

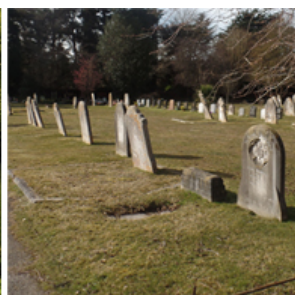
The Committee will also be organising a Christmas Market on Saturday 9th December, working alongside the Hailsham Farmers' Market, who will also be present selling local produce and gifts. We will have our local market stalls at this event, plus live music, mulled wine and other festive refreshments, alongside many stalls selling Christmas gifts. The Rotary Club's Santa will be in attendance.

We will again be organising the competitions for the 'Best Dressed Elf' and 'Best Dressed Dog', in addition to a 'Find the Elf' contest.

The Hailsham Farmers' Market are at the Cattle Market site every second Saturday of the month, and the Hailsham 10k, 5K, 3K, 1-mile Run had to be postponed last year but will be going ahead on Sunday 21st May of this year.

Hailsham Festival week will run from 9th to 23rd September this year, and the Bonfire Night Celebrations will take place on Saturday 21st October.

I would like to thank everyone on our Committee. We are extremely grateful for all the support we get from the various associations, as we could not do this without the support of all of you.



Report: Strategy Committee

This Strategy Committee is appointed to make recommendation to the Town Council in drawing up a business plan of priorities for the Town Council, monitoring progress against that business plan and recommending any amendments or changes to the plan as it progresses.

The Committee is responsible for working in partnership with other organisations, members of the town council or other Town Council committees or sub-committees to achieve this objective.

The Committee is made up of all of the Chairs and Vice-Chairs of the Standing Committees and meets on a quarterly basis to go through a report mapping the Council's teams progress against the objectives in the Plan. This way the committee has an oversight of the council's overall performance and everything it is achieving for the parish.

Over the past year the committee oversaw the publication of the council's new Strategic Plan for the years 2022-2026, setting out the council's aims and objectives for the next four years.

This new plan also included the Town Council's 'CIL List', that is, capital projects it intends to spend the contribution from developers known as 'Community Infrastructure Levy' on. The Town Council has a published Neighbourhood Plan, which means it receives 25% of all CIL paid to Wealden District Council by developers. This gives the town council an excellent opportunity to make sure the monies get spend of projects that it is behind and that directly benefit the community.

To date the Town Council has received over £1.25M worth of CIL funding, which can be spent on capital projects and the maintenance of existing capital. For the coming financial year, it has made the decision to use some of this for ongoing maintenance to ensure the annual precept is kept as low as possible.

To date, the Town Council has spent CIL funding on the following projects: the accessible footpath around the country Park Lake, the replacement of the Maurice Thornton Pavilion Roof with a new and hard-wearing material, the extensive revamping and repairing of Hailsham Cemetery's roads and pathways, the jointly-funded project to install lighting around the all-weather track at Western Road Recreation Ground, the newly installed state-of-the-art Cricket nets and the Western Road Recreation Ground.

Further CIL projects identified by the Town Council include:

- Improved 'Overflow' at the Common Pond
- A project to further enhance and revamp the town's playgrounds at Maurice Thornton, Battle Road and Stroma Gardens
- The provision of a cycle café facility
- The enhancement of Stoney Lane.

These are all long-term projects planned for delivery in the life of the new Strategic Plan, subject to studies of feasibility including costs and deliverability.



Chairman's Report: Neighbourhood Planning Committee



As Chair of the Neighbourhood Planning Committee, I have responded via our Planning & Development Committee on the draft National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and Levelling Up Government document.

On the face of it the proposed amendments appear modest, but the implications are the most significant since the 2012 framework NPPF.

There is a substantial watering-down of the key elements relating to design and place-making, and a golden opportunity has been missed to incorporate and address sustainable transport within this consultation.

Given that, planning's most contentious issues around cars and allocated parking on developments and road infrastructure should have been included. Climate change, air pollution, environmental impact and sustainable transportation are all major issues that should have also been addressed within this consultation.

The objective to speed up and incentivise plan-making should have been a positive aspect but coupled with the pathways to reduce housing requirements and leave green belt boundaries unchanged, there are now in my view very clear tensions between plan-making and addressing the current national housing crisis.

One fundamental change for the better in the NPPF is that local Neighbourhood Plans are to be given more weight, which is good news for those who have produced such plans in recent years.

At a local level, the Town Council's Planning & Development Committee, which acts as a consultative panel, comment on every planning application and within the response we detail the policies of our Neighbourhood Plan. When we receive a presentation from potential developers, our Neighbourhood Plan is the focus of discussion and debate with them.

We await the release of Wealden District Council's Draft Plan after the forthcoming elections, in order that we can respond to the consultation and take a measured view against the Hailsham Neighbourhood Plan's policies.

Councillor Mary Laxton
Chairman, Neighbourhood Planning Committee



Town Clerk's Report



The Annual Report from the Town Council enables residents to see how we perform, and what we have achieved throughout any given year.

We continued to provide many of our services and complete several objectives, as well as commencing new projects. This Annual Report document will outline many of these actions, services and activities by way of individual reports from our Committee Chairs - and other information which residents may find useful.

2022/23 as usual, has been another busy and exciting year for us and we have worked on a number of major projects, all of which I hope you will be given an insight into from throughout this document.

The efforts and achievements of the small and hard-working staff team are not obvious to those outside the Town Council, but a huge amount of work and expertise goes into delivering and administering our services, communicating with the residents, businesses and community groups of Hailsham, working with our colleagues from other organisations, effectively monitoring and maintaining our finances, servicing and producing the documents for our regular meetings and offering a professional and friendly service to all of our Town Council members.

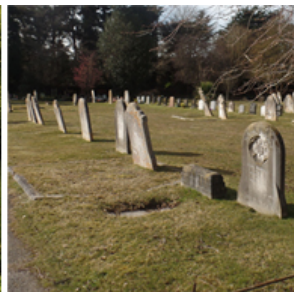
Our office staff and administration team continue to work hard to action the decisions of the Town Council and maintain our extensive range of services, assets and facilities for residents. Our outdoor works team continue to provide an invaluable service to the town, working hard to improve the environment and look after our large portfolio of land and property.

Our youth worker team – Hailsham Youth Service - whose positive attitude in working with young people and providing them with structure, safe spaces and a wide range of support services, has ensured that our youth projects have gone from strength to strength in recent years. Add to that, our post office team which continues to offer excellent customer service for the people of Hailsham since opening just three years ago.

One of the Town Council's greatest strengths is its ability to facilitate: to develop and enhance strong partnerships and relationships in order to take the town forwards together. It continues to be the case that by working together with the other local authorities, organisations and businesses who have influence in Hailsham that we can really get things improving and moving.

It is always a slightly peculiar situation for the council's officers as we face the end of the council term and the approaching elections as we do again in May this year. In theory we could have 18 entirely new councillors implementing significant changes in direction. In reality there is usually at least some continuity, but also some friendly familiar faces who will no longer be part of the council.

We prepare ourselves to work successfully and co-operatively with whoever gets elected and to develop a fruitful and productive relationship. I do have a great level of respect for anyone who puts their name forward to represent and improve their community.

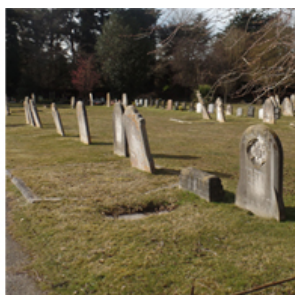


So, I'd like to take this opportunity on behalf of the myself and council officer team to thank all of the current council for their work, support and good-natured working relationship over the past four

years and to wish absolutely everyone who has chosen to stand up and be counted at the forthcoming election the best of luck.

May I also take the opportunity to thank you all for attending this Annual Town Meeting. Please feel free to come along to any of our future Council and Committee meetings or contact any town councillor or myself if you have any issues you wish to raise.

John Harrison
Town Clerk



Appendix 1: Hailsham Town Council Mission & Objectives

Mission Statement

Hailsham Town Council will work to provide a safe, high quality social and physical environment to meet the needs of residents and visitors; will be at the forefront of promoting Hailsham as a place and will work with other agencies to defend the best interests of the Town for the benefit of everyone.

Aims & Objectives

- To enable residents of Hailsham and its surroundings to enjoy high-quality social, recreational and cultural facilities within the Town and seek the continuing improvement and development of these facilities in accordance with the wishes of residents.
- To encourage and promote the economic and commercial vitality of Hailsham.
 - To preserve the unique identity of Hailsham and promote its heritage.
- To ensure that harmony exists between commercial, ecological and residential requirements.
 - To consult with and take due regard of all comments received from other statutory bodies, voluntary organisations and individuals, to ensure an improving standard of service to meet local needs.
 - To represent the views and wishes of the people of Hailsham.
- To help create a socially inclusive and caring community that embraces all residents, irrespective of their circumstances.
- To promote and maintain the "Charter of Twinning" between the people of Hailsham and the citizens of Gournay-en-Bray.



Appendix 2: Hailsham Town Council Facts, Figures & Structure

Facts About Hailsham Town Council

- currently has 18 elected Members.
- holds over 60 Council or Committee meetings a year, plus the Annual Town (Electors') Meeting.
 - employs/retains 27 paid members of staff, including office/administrative, outdoor/works, youth service and post office staff.
- publishes a newsletter three times a year, distributed for collection by residents to various public outlets in Hailsham.
- commented on 116 planning applications in 2022/23, including 4 major applications and 6 County Council applications.
- The 2022-23 parish rate (which represents the proportional part of the Council Tax which is paid to and funds the Town Council's services and responsibilities amounts to £163.23 for Band D, representing a total of £1,252,856 (requested of Wealden District Council) for the financial year.

Committee Structure

Seven Standing Committees were appointed for the 2021/22 municipal year, these being the:

- **ASSETS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**
 - **COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE**
- **FINANCE, BUDGET & RESOURCES COMMITTEE**
 - **PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**
- **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING COMMITTEE**
 - **STRATEGY COMMITTEE**
 - **STAFFING COMMITTEE**

A full schedule of Committee meetings, in addition to bi-monthly meetings of Full Council, is available to view on the Town Council website:

hailsham-tc.gov.uk



Appendix 3: Hailsham Town Council Assets & Land

LAND & PROPERTY

MANAGED/MAINTAINED BY HAILSHAM TOWN COUNCIL



PUBLIC OPEN SPACES & PARKS

Land at Butts Field; Land at rear of Retail Park (Diplocks Way); Land at Arlington Road East; Land at Blacksmith's Copse; Common Pond; Land at Ersham Road Triangle; Land on west side of Solway; Land to the south side of Quinnell Drive; Dennis King Memorial Sensory Garden; Cameron Close public open space; Orchard Park and land adjacent to Grovelands Barn

RECREATION LAND & PLAY AREAS

Hailsham Country Park (including lake and ponds); Western Road Recreation Ground (including Beaconsfield and tennis courts); Maurice Thornton Playing Fields; Carpenters Way open space; Stroma Gardens play area; Battle Road play area; Maurice Thornton play area; Quinnell Drive play area; Maurice Thornton skate park

ALLOTMENT SITES

Station Road; Battle Road; Harold Avenue

CEMETERY LAND

Cemetery site at Ersham Road

PREMISES MANAGED

1 Market Square (Square Youth Cafe/SafeHub/The Foyer); Cemetery Lodge (Ersham Road); Cemetery buildings inc. chapel; 3 Market Street; Inglenook & Fleur de Lys (Market Street); 4 Market Street; James West Community Centre; Union Corner Hall and car park; Maurice Thornton Pavilion, Grovelands Barn; 2 North Street building (inc. public toilets)

OTHER

War Memorial (Vicarage Field); Victoria Gate (High Street)

POST OFFICE

10 High Street

FOR A MORE DETAILED LIST OF LAND & PROPERTIES MANAGED BY HAILSHAM TOWN COUNCIL, PLEASE CALL 01323 841702.



Appendix 4: Mayoral Engagements: 2022/23

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FUNCTION:

7 th May 2022	Hailsham Voices Community Choir Concert
8 th May 2022	VE Day/Falklands War Anniversary Service
25 th May 2022	Lightning Fibre Broadband Launch
1 st June 2022	Age Concern Volunteers Awards Presentation
2 nd June 2022	Thanksgiving Service for HM Queen Elizabeth II
2 nd June 2022	Hailsham Club Awards
3 rd June 2022	Jubilee Tea Party at The Cedars
5 th June 2022	Family Fun Day at Western Road Recreation Ground
5 th June 2022	Wealden Writers Prize Day
5 th June 2022	Stroma Gardens Tea Party
6 th June 2022	Caroline House Jubilee Celebrations
11 th June 2022	Launch of Hailsham Fun Run
11 th June 2022	Hailsham Pavilion Centenary Event
16 th June 2022	Marlow Ropes Open Day
18 th June 2022	Battle Road Allotment Society Open Day
18 th June 2022	Opening of 'Pass It On' Community Fridge
20 th June 2022	East Sussex Lord Lieutenant's Reception
24 th June 2022	Opening of New Teaching Block at Hailsham College
24 th June 2022	Opening of Revamped YMCA (Market Square)
25 th June 2022	Chiddingly Cadets Meeting
26 th June 2022	Armed Forces' Day Service
2 nd July 2022	Hailsham Choral Society Concert
9 th July 2022	Hailsham Horticultural Society Presentations
9 th July 2022	Grovelands School Summer Fete
9 th July 2022	Performance of 'Matilda' at Hailsham College
10 th July 2022	The Military Tattoo at Herstmonceux Castle
14 th July 2022	Wealden Brass Band Concert
20 th July 2022	Hailsham Hub Fundraiser
22 nd July 2022	Charles Hunt Centre Barbeque Event
23 rd July 2022	Opening of Hailsham Summer/French Market
23 rd July 2022	Opening of Huckleberry Hair Salon
29 th July 2022	Hailsham Horticultural Society Fundraiser
31 st July 2022	Seaford Mayor's Civic Service
6 th August 2022	Battle Road Allotment Society Barbeque
8 th August 2022	Walkabout with New Hailsham Police Inspector
15 th August 2022	East Sussex County Council Chairman's Reception
15 th August 2022	Presentation of a New Television to YMCA (Market Square)
20 th August 2022	Hailsham Foodbank Fundraiser at Chandler's BMW/Mini
20 th August 2022	Hailsham Football Club Prizegiving Event
21 st August 2022	Guest of the Mayor of Eastbourne at Airbourne
3 rd September 2022	Wealden Writer's Award Presentation
3 rd September 2022	Sunflowers' Mental Health & Wellbeing CIC Summer Fete
3 rd September 2022	Sunflowers' Mental Health & Wellbeing CIC Quiz Night
3 rd September 2022	Hailsham Boxing Club Prizegiving Ceremony

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7 th September 2022	Speech to the Hailsham Museum/Historical Society
8 th September 2022	High Sheriff of East Sussex's Reception
18 th September 2022	Commemoration Service for HM Queen Elizabeth II
19 th September 2022	Opening of Boxing Club
22 nd September 2022	Opening of Harry & Ellie's Cabin in Hailsham
24 th September 2022	HMI Club Darts Trophy Presentation
1 st October 2022	Presentation of Awards in B12
2 nd October 2022	Speech at Hailsham Lions' Fun Day Event
8 th October 2022	Reception for Performance of 'String – The Musical'
9 th October 2022	Visit to Knockhatch Adventure Park with High Sheriff
13 th October 2022	Visit to Restart Jobs Fair
15 th October 2022	Hailsham Bonfire Society Award Presentation
16 th October 2022	Hailsham & District Twinning Association Event
16 th October 2022	Anastasia's Tea Party Charity Event
20 th October 2022	Hailsham & District Chamber of Commerce Breakfast Meeting
21 st October 2022	Grovelands Community Primary School Firework Display
21 st October 2022	High Sheriff of East Sussex's Judges' Service
27 th October 2022	Visit with the High Sheriff to the Square Youth Café
28 th October 2022	Speech to Cuckmere Community Bus Staff
30 th October 2022	Opening of Exhibition at Gallery North
1 st November 2022	Town Farm Residents' Association Fundraiser
2 nd November 2022	Age Concern/Charles Hunt Centre Volunteer Prizegiving
3 rd November 2022	Spring Bulb Planting at Orchard Park
5 th November 2022	High Sheriff of East Sussex's Prayer Breakfast
11 th November 2022	Armistice Day Parade & Service
11 th November 2022	HMI Club Anniversary Awards
12 th November 2022	Hailsham Choral Society Concert
13 th November 2022	Remembrance Day Service and Wreath-Laying
16 th November 2022	Hailsham & District Flower Club Presentations
18 th November 2022	Opening of South Road Sub Post Office
18 th November 2022	35 th Anniversary of Taylor Engley Estate Agents
18 th November 2022	Speech to the Hailsham & District Twinning Association
19 th November 2022	Christmas Fayre at Hellingly Community Hub
24 th November 2022	East Sussex Circus Training Graduation Day
25 th November 2022	Hailsham Christmas Lights Switch-on
26 th November 2022	Sunflowers' Mental Health & Wellbeing CIC Christmas Fair
2 nd December 2022	Hailsham Bonfire Society Charity Event
3 rd December 2022	St John Ambulance Carol Service
5 th December 2022	High Sheriff of East Sussex's Prayer Breakfast
7 th December 2022	Hailsham at War Event at the Charles Hunt Centre
7 th December 2022	Meeting with Sussex Police Rural Crime Team
8 th December 2022	Presentation of Christmas Tree to YMCA (Market Square)
8 th December 2022	Charles Hunt Centre Annual General Meeting
9 th December 2022	Mayor of Eastbourne's Charity Dinner
9 th December 2022	Hailsham Women's Institute Christmas Event
11 th December 2022	Carol Service at Uckfield Holy Cross Church
14 th December 2022	East Sussex County Council Chairman's Christmas Event
15 th December 2022	Opening of Papa John's Restaurant
15 th December 2022	Presentation of Awards at Charles Hunt Centre

DATE:**FUNCTION:**

17 th December 2022	Hailsham Choral Society Christmas Concert
17 th December 2022	HMI Club Tombola Event
23 rd December 2022	Mayor's Christmas Fundraising Event for 'Pass it On' CIC
2 nd January 2023	Hailsham WI Early Birds Event
13 th January 2023	Unveiling of Memorial Plaque for Glenn Moore
18 th January 2023	Interview on Hailsham FM
22 nd January 2023	Opening of New Wing at Luxford Nursing Home
27 th January 2023	Opening of Pantomime at Hailsham Pavilion
28 th January 2023	Church Prayer Breakfast
28 th January 2023	What Can I Join in Hailsham Community Event
2 nd February 2023	East Sussex Circus Training School Presentation
4 th February 2023	Hailsham Allotment Society Event
6 th February 2023	Meeting at Knockhatch Adventure Park
10 th February 2023	Lunch with Luxford Nursing Home Residents/Open Day
11 th February 2023	Opening of Vape Minds Superstore
14 th February 2023	Reopening of Diplocks Café
18 th February 2023	East Sussex Circus Training School Presentation
18 th February 2023	Chestnut Tree Children's Hospice Fundraiser at Knockhatch
23 rd February 2023	Opening of New Conservatory at Bowes House Care Home
24 th February 2023	Memorial Service/Vigil for Ukraine at Hailsham War Memorial
25 th February 2023	East Sussex Circus Training School Business Event
26 th February 2023	Presentation of New/Donated Van for Pass It On CIC
26 th February 2023	Meeting with Ukrainian Representatives at Hellingly Hub
3 rd March 2023	Presentation of Awards at Photographic Society Colour show

***Additionally, the Town Mayor holds a regular residents' surgery ('Tea With The Mayor'), which takes place at the Town Council Offices on the second Friday of every month, from 10am to 12pm.

Appendix 5: Member & Officer Contact Information

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