

# Our Hailsham

WINTER / SPRING 2025

## HAILSHAM YOUTH SERVICE TO CELEBRATE 25 YEARS

Hailsham Youth Service is proud to announce its 25th Anniversary later this month and is inviting residents, businesses and the local community to attend a special event to mark the occasion.

Taking place at the Station Youth Centre in Western Road on Tuesday 25th February from 4.30pm, members of the public are cordially invited to attend the celebratory event and meet staff and invited guests, as well as find out more about the Service's achievements during the past two and a half decades and its base of operations at the Centre.

The Service, funded and managed by the Town Council, was founded in February 2000 to provide young people in the local area with opportunities to develop social, physical and emotional awareness.

The Service currently operates various club and activity sessions for young people, including those that are based at the Station Youth Centre (the Service's new base of operations, incorporating 'The Underground'), as well as Hellingly Youth Hub and Monday Youth Hub sessions on



weekdays. Additional services include 'On Track Hailsham' which caters for young people with special educational needs, Network@The Station for 18-25s and the 'Friday Night Project', which organises a varied line-up of free and low-cost recreational activities on Friday evenings.

Delighted to be celebrating its Silver Jubilee, the Service has had an impact on the lives of thousands of young people in Hailsham and the surrounding area and grown from one operational base into an expanded network of services which operate throughout the local community.

"Hailsham Youth Service aims to provide activities, which are both leisure and issue based, and meet the multitude of needs that the young people put forward us on a regular basis," said Town Mayor, Cllr Holbrook. "The 25th anniversary of the youth project marks over two and a half decades of hard work and solid achievement of these aims."

"The development of the Town Council's youth projects since 2000 proves that there are ample opportunities for developing partnerships with other agencies to provide innovative work with individuals or groups of young people. The anniversary event will be a good opportunity for people to see how successful the introduction of this youth facility and its continual expansion has been!"

Youth Service Manager, Andy Joyes commented: "It has been a pleasure to lead and develop Hailsham Youth Service from the very beginning - and to work with such amazing youth workers. Everyone's positive attitude and obvious enjoyment in working with young people has ensured that the Service has gone from strength to strength since its launch."

"We have had great support from the Town Council, which has backed us all the way, and the various projects we have undertaken in partnership with other youth agencies have been particularly enjoyable too. We have had a considerable impact on our community by providing advice and support, community engagement, and working towards the empowerment of our local youth."

Mr Joyes added: "As we celebrate the 25th Anniversary milestone, I want to extend my gratitude to the young people, families, youth workers, staff and councillors who all have a part to play in this incredible journey. I hope that young people will continue to enjoy everything Hailsham Youth Service has to offer in years to come."

**For more information on the Hailsham Youth Service, visit [hailshamyouthservice.org](http://hailshamyouthservice.org) or call 01323 841702.**





## Hailsham Youth Service

We aim to provide young people in the local area with opportunities to develop **social, physical and emotional awareness**. Regardless of background or culture, young people can expect a safe, supportive and fun environment at our centres and through our various activities.



**Mondays:**  
6.30pm-8.30pm (Yrs 6-11)  
James West Community Centre, Brunel Drive  
Sports and games including football, basketball and badminton!



**Tuesdays and Thursdays:**  
3.15pm-5.15pm (Yrs 6-8) | 6.15pm-8.30pm (Yrs 9-12)  
The Station Youth Centre, Western Road  
Comfortable seating areas and facilities including pool tables, air hockey, table tennis, table football, board games, games consoles and more!



**Wednesdays:**  
6.15pm-7.30pm (Yrs 6-8) | 7.45pm-9pm (Yrs 9-11)  
Hellingly Community Hub  
Pool tables, table tennis, games and crafts!



**Wednesdays:**  
5pm-6pm | 6.15pm-7.15pm  
The Station Youth Centre, Western Road  
Sessions designed to help young people who struggle with mainstream social settings.



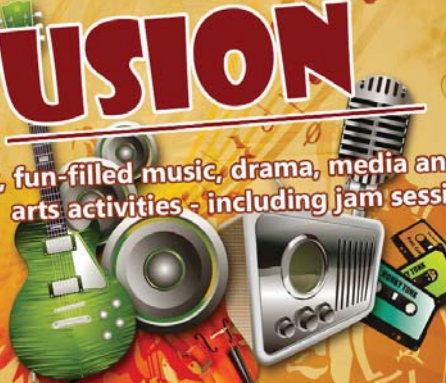
**First and third Friday of the month :**  
7pm-9pm  
The Station Youth Centre, Western Road  
Social night for 18-25s! Arcade air hockey, pool tables, games consoles, lounge, food and refreshments.



**Friday evenings | Various locations**  
Fun, safe and engaging activities for young people including indoor activities, dry-slope skiing and ski lessons, trampolining, ten-pin bowling, games, sporting activities, and youth nights!

# FUSION

New, fun-filled music, drama, media and creative arts activities - including jam sessions!



MONDAYS | 6.30PM-8.30PM | The Station Youth Centre  
Years 6-12 COME ALONG AND JOIN IN!

# The Lounge

Enjoy a variety of gaming activities from classic board games to team challenges... Whether you're a fan of strategy games, card games or interactive group activities, there's something for everyone!



MONDAYS | 3.15PM-5.15PM | The Station Youth Centre  
Years 6-12 SNACKS/REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE

# RESIDENTS INVITED TO ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Hailsham Town Council invites residents to attend the next Annual Town Meeting which takes place at the Hailsham Civic Community Hall in Vicarage Lane on Wednesday 7th May.

The main part of the meeting will start at 7.30pm and will be chaired by the Town Mayor and Chairman, Councillor Paul Holbrook.

Those who attend will be given the opportunity to discuss matters applicable to the parish of Hailsham and ask relevant questions, subject to the provisions of Schedule 12 of the Local Government Act 1972. The subject of the questions can properly cover any issue of public concern affecting residents of the parish.

Full details regarding the format of the meeting will be announced in the near future and an agenda published a few days before the meeting date.

"It's been another very busy year where we have been taking forward a number of projects, including improvements to existing services," said Town Clerk, John Harrison. "Our Annual Town Meeting offers a great opportunity to provide a clear update on the significant community projects that we have been working on to take the town forward."



"Furthermore, this important meeting gives all residents an opportunity to tell us what you would like to see over the coming year and put forward your views on ways to improve our town for everyone."

Town Mayor Cllr Paul Holbrook commented: "It is the responsibility of all of us to help ensure that the town continues to be a pleasant place to live, work and visit, so I encourage you to come along to the Annual Town Meeting and put forward your comments and suggestions. Your town councillors will be there to listen, help and answer any questions relating to our services and projects."



## TEMPORARY LOCATION OF TOWN COUNCIL RECEPTION

Hailsham Town Council would like to remind residents that its offices and reception area have temporarily relocated to the former Free Church building in Western Road (now The Station Youth Centre), to allow for the completion of necessary electrical rewiring works at the Inglenook/Fleur de Lys building in Market Street.

The public reception area and enquiries desk continues to operate at the temporary premises and opening hours remain the same (9am-4pm, Monday to Fridays - except bank holidays).

The public telephone number and email address is also unchanged whilst staff operate from the Western Road premises: 01323 841702 / enquiries@hailsham-tc.gov.uk.

The temporary front reception area includes a resident and visitor information point, offering a one-stop pick-up point for enquiries and a wide range of locally produced leaflets, brochures and other information, which are readily available. The Town Council's information point is staffed to offer free help and advice for day visitors and group travel organisers on attractions, guided tours, festivals, accommodation and events in the locality, as well as details on places to visit in nearby areas.

Free help and information are also available to residents on local and council services, community safety, general consumer advice and public transport – including timetables for selected local buses.



The forthcoming work to the existing Town Council offices will involve the complete rewiring of the 15th century Grade 2 listed building on both floors, in addition to necessary fire safety works to include the installation of new fire doors.

Please note that the Fleur de Lys Meeting Room is not available for the public to hire or for external bookings for the duration of the works at the Market Street building.

"We are delighted that work will soon be underway to make the necessary electrical improvements to the Town Council Offices, said Town Clerk, John Harrison. "The relocation to the former Free Church premises in Western Road means we can continue to deliver services to Hailsham residents, including front-of-house public enquiries."

"We apologise for any inconvenience caused in the meantime and ask residents to bear with us whilst the essential works are being carried out at our Market Street building."



## BANKING SERVICES

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Pay in cash or cheques\*  
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10 High Street

Monday to Friday 8.30am-5.30pm | Saturday 9am-1pm

## VE DAY 80th CELEBRATION

*A grand celebration to mark the 80th Anniversary of VE Day - the end of World War Two in Europe on 8th May 1945.*

**SATURDAY 10TH MAY**

9am-2.30pm | Vicarage Field, Hailsham

MARKET STALLS • LIVE ENTERTAINMENT  
ACTIVITY STALLS • SINGER MISS PEGGY SUE  
1940S MUSIC WITH SJAAN DANCE ACADEMY  
HISTORICAL PHOTO EXHIBITION • CHORAL  
SINGING BY LOCAL SCHOOL PUPILS  
MUSIC AND DANCE WITH THE JACKETTES

Hailsham Parish Church will be open to welcome visitors into the church building from 11am to 1pm on the day.

SEE

YOU

THERE!

## POST OFFICE BANKING SERVICES: A BENEFIT TO HAILSHAM RESIDENTS

Staff at the town centre Post Office continue to fulfil its broad range of services to residents and businesses, including the provision of banking services amid the forthcoming closure of two further bank branches in Hailsham in March.

The Town Council, which owns the franchise for the post office located at 10 High Street, is again assuring customer of the availability of banking services, whereby customers can access their high street bank accounts at the town centre Post Office. This service is free of charge and, provided customers have their debit card with them, they can check their balance and withdraw or deposit cash. If they don't have a debit card, some banks will still allow you to deposit cash via the Post Office, if you have a deposit slip.

The Post Office's free everyday banking service is available to both businesses and individuals. Information on which banks offer what services at the Post Office is available in-branch.

In addition to banking services being available at the post office, LINK, the UK's cash access and ATM network has recently confirmed that Hailsham will receive a pop-up banking hub this coming March, which is excellent news for the town's residents amid the forthcoming closure of the town's Halifax and Lloyds branches.

"Many banks tell us that changes in customer behaviour have been the driving force and principal reason for bank branch closures," said Town Clerk and Postmaster, John Harrison. "An increasing number of people bank online and consequently make far fewer visits to branches. Whilst we fully understand the considerable uptake in the use of online banking in recent years, there are still people, particularly the elderly, who like to visit their branches and bank in person."

"This is where the town centre Post Office can help, taking into account the closure of more bank branches soon, but with transactions for customers of other banks and building societies too."



Town Mayor Cllr Paul Holbrook commented: "Since taking over the franchise for the town centre post office and ultimately saving the essential community facility from closure, the public have commended the Town Council and continue to show their appreciation by way of proving feedback online and in-person at the branch."

"It's wonderful that our town centre post office is conveniently located for local businesses and residents, especially the elderly who often rely heavily on ease of access to local post office services."

 **James West  
Community Centre**

**BOOK OUR CENTRE TODAY!**



- **MAIN HALL:** 18m x 11.7m, ideal for sports, games, fitness classes, playgroups, conferences, community events, birthday parties, private functions and more!
- **MEETING ROOMS:** Perfect for corporate meetings, interviews, training and seminars...
- **OTHER FACILITIES:** Kitchen, store rooms, toilets, changing rooms, P.A. system, Wi-fi and on-site parking...

BOOKING CONTACT



**01323 841702**  
(MONDAY-FRIDAY, 9AM-4PM)



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# TOWN COUNCIL SETS PRECEPT FOR NEXT FINANCIAL YEAR

The Town Council adopted the recommendation put forward by the Finance & Governance Committee for the next financial year (April 2025 to March 2026) and agreed a budget of £1,804,154, with a precept amount of £1,644,120 being requisitioned from Wealden District Council.

This means that council tax for a Band D property in Hailsham will be £4.06 per week, representing just an 11.8p per week increase on the previous year.

"In making the recommendations for the budget, the Town Council aims to provide continuing security for essential services for residents – making improvements where possible.

"The Town Council has agreed a minimal increase in its share of the council tax for the next financial year," said Cllr Gavin Blake-Coggins, Chair of the Finance & Governance Committee. "An 11.8p per week increase represents value for money when you consider all the things that we do, as well as increased running, administrative, contract and other costs."

"The Town Council continues to deliver good value, and the budget proposal for the next year will enable us to continue to do that and go some way towards making a significant difference for the residents of Hailsham."

Some key changes which have once again affected the Town Council and justified an increase in its share of council tax include the Government-mandated increase in employers' National Insurance contributions, further work to manage local development through the review of the Local Plan, as well as outsourced services and contingency funding to ensure the Town Council manages its risks and can respond to unforeseen challenges without draining on reserves.

Cllr Blake-Coggins added: "The Finance & Governance Committee was in agreement that the Town Council cannot ignore the very real inflationary pressures, as this in turn causes a false starting point the following financial year, increasing financial difficulties when setting the budget."



"Our focus for the next year will be to continue to ensure all services are run as efficiently as possible, including the running of the high street post office, continued expansion of Hailsham Youth Service, community halls, cemetery, play areas and youth services, as well as funding for urban grass cuts, improvements to public open spaces, Town Council-maintained footpaths and more."

Council taxpayers should be aware that only a small percentage of the council tax demand goes to Hailsham Town Council, around 5% of the overall demand to residents (according to Wealden District Council for 2024/25) which, given the range of services the Town Council provides, represents good excellent value to residents. The remaining percentage goes to Wealden District Council, East Sussex County Council, the Police Authority and the Fire Service for the services they provide.

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.

**If you require any further information on the Town Council budget for 2025-2026, please contact Becky White (Responsible Finance Officer) on 01323 841702 or by email: [enquiries@hailsham-tc.gov.uk](mailto:enquiries@hailsham-tc.gov.uk)**



# JAMES WEST COMMUNITY CENTRE AVAILABLE TO HIRE

The James West Community Centre has already had a busy start to the new year with more organisations scheduling to hire the facility on a regular basis, together with further upgrades being made to the valued community asset.

The centre, located in Brunel Drive in north Hailsham, has an ever-increasing range of local groups and people of all ages using the facility on a regular basis. Current regular hirers include Hailsham Table Tennis Club, Monday Youth Hub, Hailsham Netball Club, Hailsham Active, Hailsham Voices Pop Choir, Yoga With Dawn, PW Performers and Baby Ballet. The centre also hosts meetings provided by DISC Dementia Support and Hailsham Parkinson's Society.

Several improvements have been made to the Centre recently, part of a scheduled plan of enhancements being carried out over the course of the next few months.

Upgrades include the installation of acoustic wall panels in both meeting rooms, to improve sound quality within the space and make the rooms even more user-friendly for hirers. Additionally, drop-down projector screens have been mounted on the walls in both rooms, seating has been added to the lobby/foyer area and a vending machine selling snacks and refreshments will be installed at the Centre in the coming weeks.

Add to that the repainting of some of the walls in the Centre and the reinstatement of timer-controlled lighting in the car park, which will save energy and ultimately reduce running costs.

Other improvements and upgrades being carried out at the Centre in the near future include the installation of signage on the outside of the building and the display of advertising boards on site.

Assets Management Committee Chair, Cllr Alexa Clarke said: "Since opening, this purpose-built facility has already begun



to play a key role in enabling Hailsham to fulfil its potential as a vibrant and inclusive town and we hope it continues to be a popular community hub, offering a range of activities for local residents."

"The James West Community Centre has been on quite a journey and has played host to sports training sessions and tournaments, wellness workshops, keep fit classes and more - even baby ballet classes! Overall, the Centre has attracted a good membership base and sees a lot of visits a year. There are openings for other local clubs and groups to benefit from using the facility."

Cllr Clarke added: "The latest improvements to the Centre will ensure that the Centre continues to serve its purpose for residents for not only the short term but for many years ahead."

The facility comprises an 18m x 11.7m hall, able to accommodate an audience of around 200 seated, in addition to two meeting rooms. The facility also includes a modern kitchen, storerooms, toilets, changing rooms and a P.A. system.

Hirers can use the Centre for social clubs and activities, sports and games, dancing and exercise, pre-school and toddler groups, craft exhibits, after-school clubs, family functions, quiz nights and fundraising events, as well as seminars, conferences, business meetings and public consultation events.

The main hall is ideal for children's parties with space for inflatable/bouncy castles and is frequently used at weekends.

**For further information or to make a booking, contact Hailsham Town Council on 01323 841702 or by emailing [enquiries@hailsham-tc.gov.uk](mailto:enquiries@hailsham-tc.gov.uk)**

# MORE FOOTPATH IMPROVEMENTS COMING SOON

The Town Council's contractors will be busy again in the coming months resurfacing footpaths on its land, including at the Common Pond in Bellbanks Road and cemetery grounds in Ersham Road.

The next phase of improvement works at the Common Pond site will take place soon and will see the continuation of the overlaying of the perimeter footpath with tarmac. The pond site has already benefited from a newly resurfaced footpath surrounding most of the pond to ensure the safety of visitors.

The work followed the clearing of dead trees, removal of overgrown plants and general tidying of the pond's two islands last year, just part of an ongoing major upgrade project at the Common Pond.

The latest phase of improvement works at Hailsham Cemetery will also take place soon will see additional footpath resurfacing. The footpath renewal work follows a myriad of other improvements carried out at the cemetery in recent years, including the refurbishment of both the Old and New Gardens of Remembrance, repairs and roofing upgrades to the old chapel and the creation of up to 100 ashes burial plots.

"Hailsham Town Council is responsible for several areas of public open space across the town," said Cllr Alexa Clarke, Chair of the Assets Management Committee. "Our plan to undertake further improvements to the Common Pond and cemetery footpaths is just part of the Council's vision to enhance its open spaces over the course of the next few years."

"Footpath renewal is something we've been working hard on recently and we know that lots of people rely on accessible pathways and decent facilities being available when they're out and about. It makes a real difference if the facilities are well maintained for the public."



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# COME AND TRADE AT HAILSHAM STREET MARKET!

Hailsham Street Market organisers are encouraging small businesses to give trading at the market a try, whether they are experienced traders or a first-time, budding entrepreneurs who would like to sell their wares to new customers.



The market, managed by the Town Council, takes place in Vicarage Field every first and third Saturday of the month from 8.30am to 1pm, and items on sale include selling locally produced items such as food and crafts, as well as personalised gifts, confectionery and more.

Some of the local producers operating at the new market already sell goods in other local markets in the southeast.

The continuation of the street market, which was launched in August 2013, is just one of many projects being carried out by the Town Council's Communities Committee, aimed at improving retail opportunities locally and increasing footfall within the town.

"I'm delighted that Hailsham Street Market continues to operate," said Communities Committee Chair, Cllr Alexa Clarke. "It goes without saying that we have seen some steady growth in terms of the number of new traders last year, but we definitely need more to keep the market going and to help boost the local economy in the process. We're keen to support local businesses and give new traders the chance to sell their goods in the town centre at our street market."

"We have a flexible structure in place to offer opportunities to stallholders who are unable to commit to hiring a stall at every market event. So please do get in touch with us to book a stall at the next available opportunity."

**The cost of a market pitch is currently £20 if traders require a gazebo, supplied by the Town Council - and only £10 if traders supply their own gazebo.**

To book a stall or to discuss trader eligibility criteria, call 01323 841702 or email [info@hailshamstreetmarket.org](mailto:info@hailshamstreetmarket.org)

## TOWN COUNCIL TO MARK 80TH ANNIVERSARY OF VE DAY

The Town Council is making further plans for a 'grand celebration' in the town centre to mark the 80th Anniversary of VE Day - the end of World War Two in Europe on 8th May 1945.

Taking place in Vicarage Field from 9.00am to 2.30pm on Saturday 10th May, the aim of the event is to recreate the elation and joy of the street parties that marked the original VE Day (Victory in Europe) in 1945, and to bring the community together in remembrance, reflection and celebration.

"The event will feature a street market selling locally sourced produce, gifts and accessories, as well as food stands and activity stalls."

Live entertainment has been arranged on the day, courtesy of music acts Miss Peggy Sue and The Jackettes. Local dance school Sjaan Dance Academy will be in attendance and an area will be created with seating in Vicarage Field for people to dance to 1940s-style music. Pupils from Grovelands Community Primary School's choir club and Hailsham Community College will also be providing entertainment throughout the day.

Hailsham Parish Church will be open to welcome visitors into the church building from 11am to 1pm on the day. Further entertainment and activities will be arranged in the coming weeks.

"VE Day is a huge and momentous occasion in our country's



history, and Hailsham is proud to play its part in marking its 80th anniversary," said Town Mayor Cllr Paul Holbrook. "As the occasion is fast approaching, Hailsham Town Council would like to share with residents what we have planned so far for our special event being organised."

The VE Day 80th Anniversary is a significant milestone in our history and it's an honour to be entrusted with creating such an important event that commemorates our history and community spirit.

"We look forward to working with project partners to organise a memorable celebration for all on 10th May."

Further details on the entertainment line-up and activities will be announced soon.

# PRAISE FOR NEW PUBLIC TOILETS IN VICARAGE FIELD



**The new public toilet facility which was recently opened in Hailsham town centre has received positive feedback from residents.**

Following the installation of two modular public conveniences and a Changing Places disabled unit in Vicarage Field, members of the public are delighted that the facility is clean, accessible, open seven days a week and a much-needed investment in the town centre.

One member of the public commented: "Just wanted to drop you a line about the new toilets now in place, which we used yesterday for the first time. The previous one was cramped, cold, not totally clean, and not always usable. The new ones are spotless, spacious, warm, and inviting. I've never seen such spacious, clean public toilets on my travels, so a massive well done and thank you."

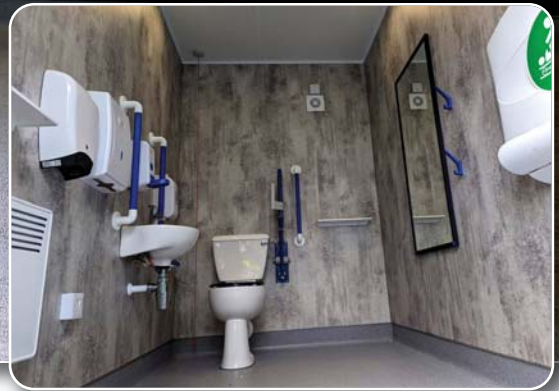
"The [Town] Council should be proud to have this excellent facility in place, money well spent and an investment, if it encourages people to shop/visit Hailsham."

The public toilets are free to use and open seven days a week, from 7.30am to 7.30pm.

The installation of the new public toilets was drawn from the Town Council's Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) funds, amidst a high-profile national campaign to increase the numbers of these specialist public conveniences.

The external look of the Changing Places toilet fits in with the street scene and, internally, the facility comprises an electronic hoist, a rise-and-fall changing table, shower, toilet and wash basin, all of which are totally accessible.

"Hailsham Town Council acknowledges the importance of public toilet availability and as a result of its commitment to provide clean, safe and accessible facilities, opened the new public conveniences in Vicarage Field," said Cllr Alexa Clarke, Chair of the Assets Management Committee. "The installation of the new toilet block demonstrates our commitment to making Hailsham an even better place to live, work, and visit. As a brilliant addition to the area, we are proud to provide these modern amenities that will serve the local community well into the future."



Commenting on the positive feedback from the public, Assets Management Committee Vice-Chair Cllr Mary Laxton said: "Residents and visitors welcomed the opening of the toilets in Vicarage Field and we have received a lot of positive comments about the facilities since then, particularly about how clean and accessible they are."

"Hailsham is a growing town and I'm sure these facilities will continue to be well used by townspeople and visitors."

Wealden District Council's Community Toilet Scheme is an initiative in place whereby members of the public can access toilet facilities at the following business premises (during opening hours):

- Wealden District Council Offices**, Vicarage Lane
- Freedom Leisure Centre**, Vicarage Lane
- Waitrose**, Vicarage Field
- Callenders Restaurant**, 80/82 High Street
- Costa Coffee**, 26B High Street



# HAILSHAM TOWN COUNCIL IS RESPONSIBLE FOR

## Buildings & Premises Managed

Inglenook & Fleur de Lys • James West Community Centre • 1 Market Square  
• 3 Market Street • Cemetery buildings (including lodge and chapels) • Union  
Corner Hall and car park • Maurice Thornton Pavilion • Grovelands Barn

## Parks & Gardens

Hailsham Country Park • Common  
Pond • Dennis King Memorial  
Sensory Garden

## Cemetery Land

Cemetery site at Ersham Road

## Hailsham Youth Service

The Station Youth Centre, Western Road

## Recreation Grounds, Outdoor Gyms & Play Areas

Western Road Recreation Ground • Beaconsfield • Tennis courts • Maurice  
Thornton Playing Fields • Battle Road, Stroma Gardens, Western Road,  
Quinnell Drive and Maurice Thornton children's play areas • Western Road  
and Maurice Thornton outdoor gyms

## Public Open Spaces

Land at: Butts Field; rear of retail park (Diplocks Way); Arlington Road East;  
Blacksmiths Copse; west side of Solway; south of Quinnell Drive; Cameron  
Close; Carpenters Way; adjacent to Grovelands Barn • Orchard Park

## Post Office

10 High Street

## Public Toilets

Vicarage Field

## Allotment Sites

Battle Rd; Station Rd; Harold Ave

## War Memorial

Vicarage Field

## Street Lights

Repairs - East Sussex CC

## WEALDEN DISTRICT COUNCIL

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BUILDING CONTROL • HOUSING  
LITTER (High Street and streets)  
ROAD SWEEPING • CAR PARKING  
(off-street) • TOURISM & WELLBEING  
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

## EAST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL

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## EAST SUSSEX HIGHWAYS

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STREET & YELLOW LINES • PAVEMENT  
GULLEY CLEARING • OVERGROWN HEDGES  
ROADSIDE TREES • WEEDS IN ROAD

# ALL SET FOR HAILSHAM COMMUNITY RUN!



Following the success of 2024's , the Town Council has agreed to allocate £6,000 in funding/sponsorship for the 3K race this year and is reminding the public to mark the date of next year's run in their diaries.

Taking place on Sunday 18th May, organisers are confident that the forthcoming Hailsham Community Run, part-sponsored by the Town Council, will be even bigger than and top the success of last year's event, where 772 people participated in and completed the 10k, 5k, 3k or all-inclusive 1-mile runs.

**Registration for participants is open via the [hailshamcommunityrun.co.uk](http://hailshamcommunityrun.co.uk) website.**

Town councillors Mary Laxton and Karen Nicholls are once again organising the event, working alongside Sports Systems Ltd, who is providing the technical expertise.

The Town Council's funding will go towards the purchase of medals, as well as the provision of licences, event planning expenses and other associated costs.

"Don't forget to sign up to take part in the run and be sure to book your place well in advance," said Cllr Laxton. "We had to close entries earlier than expected last year due to the overwhelming popularity of the event."

"Let's not forget, the Hailsham Community Run is the second largest public town event in Hailsham - and the fastest growing event in the running calendar in East Sussex. We pride ourselves on being fully inclusive and family-friendly at this event, which has grown from humble beginnings but grown in popularity since its inauguration. Let's make 2025's run a record-breaking event!"

**EVERYDAY SERVICES**

Letters and parcels • Collect and return • Car tax • Driving licence forms • Bill payments • Utility and mobile top-up • Passport check and send

10 High Street  
Monday to Friday 8.30am-5.30pm | Saturday 9am-1pm