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Peacehaven Town Council

NEW ANZAC-ON-SEA



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Making Peacehaven a better place to live, work and visit



February 2017

Named for Peace

Peacehaven's centenary events continue with a special church service and a photographic presentation to mark the renaming of the town exactly 100 years ago this month.

The town was established in 1916 by entrepreneur Charles Neville. Its first name of New Anzac-On-Sea was chosen by judges from more than 80,000 names submitted in a countrywide competition.

The name was a tribute to the soldiers from Australia and New Zealand who were fighting overseas.

Many of the roads in the town were also to be named after noteworthy First World War battles such as Mons, Loos and Ypres. However, it was soon decided that such names were, perhaps, inappropriate for streets



Picture: Richard Clayton

Even a song! Last year's centenary photo event on the promenade

and Anzac was viewed as particularly sacrosanct after the sacrifices made at Gallipoli.

So Neville held another competition. It was won by Ethel Radford from Leicestershire, who suggested Peacehaven since Anzac reminded people of the war rather than a perfect place of peace to recover after the horror of battle.

The 2017 renaming anniversary will be celebrated at the Evangelical Free Church on South Coast Road on Sunday, February 12, at 3pm.

Everyone will be welcome to a short service and a projection presentation of historic pictures of the town by historian Julia Winckler, who designed and curated last year's centenary seafront photo event. This will be followed by a buffet reception.

SOUND ADVICE

citizens advice Lewes District

Citizens Advice is expecting more than 370,000 people to seek help with debts in the first weeks of this new year.

Gillian Guy, Chief Executive of Citizens Advice, said: "If you'd like to understand more about how your circumstances affect your money options or are struggling with debt, Citizens Advice can give you the information and advice you need to find a way forward."

First, do a simple budget. Write down your income and take away essential bills such as gas and electric, food and transport. Use CA's online tool to set a more detailed budget.

Save money on essentials. You could save an average of £300 on

your energy bill by changing tariffs or suppliers. Use CA's energy comparison tool to see if you can save.

Check you are claiming the right benefits. If you have a family or are married, check if you can apply for working tax credits or marriage tax allowance on www.gov.uk

If you live alone, you may be entitled to a council tax discount.

If you claim benefits, visit the CA website to see if you are eligible for discounts on water or energy bills.

If you are worried about your finances and need some help, drop in to one of CA's local offices or call 03444 111 444. Further details of the opening times are at www.lewesdistrictcab.org.uk



Showing at the town council's cinema at the Meridian Centre

on Wednesday, February 22, at 7.30pm will be **Sully (12A)**. Tom Hanks is American pilot Chesley Sullenberger, who heroically landed his stricken airliner in the Hudson River in New York and saved his passengers and crew. Tickets are £5 from the Information Office.

Eyes down!

Cash prize bingo will be at the Meridian Centre on Wednesday, February 8, at 2pm. Eight games for £4 plus snowball and flyer.



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Still going strong

One of the town's and Peacehaven Town Council's success stories of the past ten years has been the Peacehaven & District Chamber of Commerce.

The chamber was launched in February 2007 by the town's then Mayor, Cllr Elayne Merry. She felt that a town the size of Peacehaven and the businesses within it would benefit significantly from having a chamber of commerce.

"During my first year as Mayor I started to get a better understanding of our town but felt there was an important link missing between the council and the business community," she said.

"When I embarked upon my second term as Mayor I wanted to find out if there was enough local interest to launch and then support a chamber of commerce."



Towards the end of 2006 about 200 of the town's businesses were invited by the town council to introductory meetings to gauge interest in forming a chamber. From its launch on February 8, 2007, under the

chairmanship of Phil Armstrong, MD of Pama Signs, the chamber quickly established itself as the area's premier business support and networking organisation.

Mrs Merry said: "I'm pleased at the progress the chamber has made and would urge businesses that have not yet joined to do so and they too will enjoy the many benefits of membership."

To celebrate this historic milestone the chamber will be hosting a gala dinner at Peacehaven Golf Club in March. For more details about this and the chamber go to www.peacehavenchamber.co.uk

Council meetings

The public may attend any council or committee meeting. Each meeting is normally held at the Meridian Centre and starts at 7.30pm unless stated.

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21 Planning and Highways

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District councillors

Peacehaven's councillors on Lewes District Council:

North ward: Andy Loraine, 01273 580919, and Elayne Merry, 01273 580732.

East ward: Nigel Enever, 01273 580399, and Jackie Harrison-Hicks, 01273 589430.

West ward: Dave Neave, 01273 586381, and Robert Robertson, 01273 517069.

Peacehaven's councillors on East Sussex County Council: Ian Buchanan, 07754 749372, and Phil Howson, 01273 581612.

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► The town council has a variety of rooms at the Meridian Centre for hire for events such as meetings, parties, receptions, seminars and conferences. Find out more by calling 01273 585493.

FROM THE HOUSE

It has been a busy start to the new year locally and in Parliament and I welcomed the Prime Minister's recent speech on Brexit. I do understand some people in Brighton Kemptown are still disappointed with the result of last year's referendum but the country voted to leave the European Union and it is the duty of the Government to make sure this happens.

As Economic Secretary to the Treasury, I was proud to represent the UK Government at the Asian Financial Forum in Hong Kong, reassuring financial institutions and other governments that Britain remains very much open for business.

The Prime Minister has set out 12 negotiating objectives for Brexit, part of our Plan for Britain, which aims to get the right deal abroad while ensuring a better deal for working people here at home. Please see www.simonkirby.org/news/speech-prime-minister-rt-hon-theresa-may-mp-170117 for her speech.

Many residents in Peacehaven have contacted me about rights for EU nationals in Britain and British nationals in the EU. The Government wants to guarantee these rights as early as it can. We have told other EU leaders we can offer EU nationals here this certainty, as long as this is reciprocated for British citizens in EU countries. I will continue to do all I can to make sure we get the best possible Brexit and forge relationships to build a truly global Britain.



Simon Kirby

MP for Brighton Kemptown and Peacehaven



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