

Former E-News editor Chris Chandler dies suddenly aged 69

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Our sincere condolences go out to Mrs Roberta Chandler, wife of Christopher Chandler who suddenly passed away on Wednesday 10 April 2019. Christopher was enthusiastic in editing Peacehaven Town Council's E-news magazine for a number of years and was thoroughly captivated by the different topics in each month's edition. Christopher was always able to produce top quality headlines and gave excellent service to the Council. He was a lovely gentleman who will be greatly missed.

### Buyers need to beware as thousands of customers report being ripped off on online marketplaces. Here are Lewes District Citizens Advice's tips for using online marketplaces:



### Check the product details

This should include: photos; a description; cost of the item; delivery charges; contact details for the seller; and any cancellation rights.

It should be clear if it's being sold by a trader or private seller - this is important as your rights are different.

It is wise to read previous reviews as these can often flag potential issues, but watch out for fake reviews. If something sounds too good to be true, it probably is.

### Take screenshots of the item you want to buy

This will come in handy if the item you receive is different to what you saw on the website.

#### Use a payment method that protects you

You'll have a better chance of getting your money back if there's a problem by using a card or PayPal, particularly if it's an overseas seller. Avoid paying by bank transfer.

#### Go back to the seller if there's a problem

Explain what's happened, how you'd like them to fix it and give a deadline for them to respond. Getting your money back from a private seller

The product description needs to be accurate, but if information is missing you won't be able to ask for your money back.

If the item doesn't match the photos on the website, you may also have grounds to ask for your money back.

The outgoing Mayor of Peacehaven, Cllr. Jackie Harrison-Hicks would like to convey her sincere thanks to the outgoing council members for their work and contribution to the town since being elected and to the Youth Mayor of Peacehaven Fatma Bacha and her Deputy Harvey Browning for raising the youth profile within the town over the past year.

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With Lawson Lewis Blakers

#### Things to consider when deciding to make a Will

Almost 60% of us have no Will. If this is you and you:-

- are unmarried and have a partner – on death your partner will not automatically receive anything under the intestacy rules.
- are in a "second marriage", you could prejudice the children of your previous relationship. A well worded Will could protect your spouse/partner and your children.
- have children under 18, you will need to appoint trustees to manage your estate until your children attain 18 – you can nominate chosen trustees in a Will.
- have no partner or children you can direct the distribution of your estate to friends or good causes.
- Preparing a Will is a chance to review your affairs to consider tax planning, funeral arrangements, etc.

Our charges for a Will start from £210.00 (inc VAT). Please contact Sarah Barry at Lawson Lewis Blakers for advice. Telephone 01273 582680 or e-mail: sarah.barry@lawsonlewisblakers .co.uk



## Champions...under 14s win their league in style

PEACEHAVEN & TELSCOMBE under 14s were crowned Sussex Sunday Youth Division 2 champions in dramatic fashion.

In a winner takes all game against local rivals and second placed Rottingdean, the under 14 team triumphed 3-0 to lift the title.

The team, managed by Clive Blunt, won 12 of their 14 games, drew once and only lost once all season - a brilliant achievement at any level.

In their ranks, and a player to look out for in the future is top scorer Josh Munro. Josh notched 31 goals this season.

Clive Blunt said: "The boys have been brilliant all season with a never-say-die attitude and have matured as players – the future looks bright for Shutty" (Mark Shutt, first manager).

Peacehaven & Telscombe play their final game of the season on Bank Holiday Monday May 6 when they face Haywards Heath in the final of the RUR Cup at Lancing FC. Kickoff 3pm.

You can hire the club's clubhouse from £150 by calling Sue Norwood on 07946 107041.



## From The Acting Town Clerk



Following the elections on the 2nd May and we look forward to welcoming some new Councillors and some returning. Councillors will receive a 'welcome pack' full of important information, as well as training in various areas relating to their appointments. The Annual meeting of Council is on the 14th May, at 7pm and this is when we elect our new Mayor and Deputy Mayor, as well as carrying out various other procedural matters. Over the last few months, a lot of work has been going on behind the scenes to get the Council's financial position on a more solid footing, as well as updating various policies and procedures which form the foundations for the Council's operation. We have been lucky to have Andy Beams working with us on this; Andy is an experienced Clerk, financial professional and auditor.

We are also making sure that the staff are looked after by introducing a staff handbook, common job descriptions and other procedures to make this aspect of our work more efficient and business-like. We are also reviewing our IT and other support functions, again to improve efficiency and in the long-term to reduce costs. There is more to do and we are keen to give the best service to our residents in the most cost effective

way.

Finally I would like to say a big 'Thank You' for the warm welcome I have received from Councillors, staff and numerous members of public.



Without vital sponsorship to cover the event at the town's summer fair, Zero Degrees may have to pull out of the biggest event of the year!

Organisers of the Skate Festival have issued a plea to help fund the hire of a Generator, PA system, and the purchase of event t-shirts. If a local business is willing to sponsor these items skaters won't be left disappointed by having to cancel their plans for the festival.

If you can help, please contact Debbie Donovan, who will pass your information onto the organisers: civicandmarketing@peacehaventowncouncil.gov.uk

### Peacehaven Community Summer Fair

Peacehaven Town Council's event planning is well underway for this year's Summer Fair. Many charities, local organisations and businesses have already booked their pitches, however, the council still have plots available, contact Matt Gunn for an application form:

marketingassistant@peacehaventowncouncil.gov.uk The fair will be supported by Wave Leisure who will run the arena activities, Town Crier & MC for the day Jon Borthwick and a giant car boot sale will be on site too.

If you would like to volunteer to help during the day with car parking please contact Matt for further details.

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Showing at the town council's cinema at the Meridian Centre on Wednesday, May 22, at 7.30pm is Fisherman's Friend.

Tickets are available from the information office £5.

### Rooms to Hire

Community House at the Meridian Centre could be the ideal place for your party or event. There are many rooms to hire. There is also free parking with no restrictions. The venue is fully compatible for disabled requirements and all rooms are on one level. The Main Hall is an adaptable venue for a variety of uses. The Anzac Room, with bright decor, is most welcoming. It is perfect for meetings, seminars and conferences and is also popular with groups for activities such as annual meetings.



# FREE GUIDED RIDES TO ENCOURAGE BETTER HEALTH

An action-packed season of free guided cycle rides is being launched for people to boost mental and physical health. Ride the Downs features rides for all levels of fitness, from those with no cycling experience, right up to seasoned cyclists who want to discover routes in the national park. There are 20 weekend bike rides to choose from covering the three havens, Seaford, Newhaven and Peacehaven. Ride the Downs is run by Cycle Seahaven in association with South Downs National Park. The guided events offer a friendly, sociable setting where cyclists can enjoy a relaxed ride on cycle paths, quiet roads and working onto off road tracks.

There are three types of rides. Introduction rides last between 30 and 60 minutes based on gaining confidence and skills. Health rides last up to 2 hours and are at a relaxed steady pace. Rural rides last up to 3 hours and are ideal for those who want to improve their physical fitness. For more information https://cycleseahaven.org.uk/ride-the-downs-with-cycle-seahaven/ or email Kirstie Forcey RTD@cycleseahaven.org.uk



*In memory of Ron Chiverton who passed away on 24th April 2019* 



# From PCSO Chris Marchant

Now that the clocks have changed and the bank holiday break seems a distant memory, thoughts are probably turning to our outdoor spaces and gardening.

No doubt you will have hi value items around and there in lies the problem.

People passing by have probably already noted the lawn mower, strimmer or other expensive gardening kit that has come out of the garage or shed.

Have you marked them, are you aware of serial numbers, could you identify it if lost, or do you have a photo of it?

If your answer is NO,then please contact me via the Town Council and i will be happy to come and mark property and give security advice .

I have specialist marking kit to help with the identification process.

Peacehaven thankfully is a low crime area but its important to be responsible for your own house keeping .

If you see anything suspicious in your area then please contact the Police and report this on the 101 number .

Should you need to speak in person on any other Police related matter then please contact me at christopher.marchant@sussex.pnn.police.uk



Peacehaven Bowls club are open every Monday afternoon from 2-4 for anyone wishing to have a try at outdoor bowls.

You can either just turn up to the bowling pitch at centenary park or email: pamahome@aol.com To let me know they would like to have a try at bowling.

### Greenhavens Need You 🔎

The Greenhavens Network Website goes live on the 1st May and we are asking you all to start writing about your groups, what you are up to, what your plans are, how you need help, what's special about your green spaces/community group etc. We really want this website to be fully participated in by all of you, as this is the way we hope that you will communicate with each other, help each other and stimulate interest and supporters in the wider community.

Contact: greenhavens@yahoo.com



# From The MP- Lloyd Russell-Moyle

When we talk about MP's we often tend to focus on the goings on in Parliament. It's understandable really, the intrigue of Westminster makes for a good story, the high stakes, plotting, and uneasy alliances, you could almost mistake it for Game of Thrones! However, the reality is that a lot of the work we get up to is in changing the law for our local communities. Buses are one of those issues, fighting to support the CTLA (Community Transport for the Lewes Area) from being shut down by the Government or sorting out bus routes, I seek changes in parliament to achieve practical difference in our communities. That's why I'm supporting the new proposals for regulation and municipalisation of our buses like in London. Sometimes the request can seem simple but is just as hard to achieve. For example, over the last few months I've heard from residents about the loss of the bus shelter at the Meridian Centre.

I have been close contact with East Sussex County Council, the Town Council and the Coop over this issue, and despite delays and denials we have made progress. The Co-op have agreed to donate a new bus stop and a contractor is due soon. With a bit of luck, the bus stop should be back soon, of course in the meantime I will continue to monitor this matter, but it is my hope that things should be back to normal soon, now we just need a new bench.

# **Report Highways Issues**

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# **E-NEWS**

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# Keep up to date

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If you are involved with a community group or organisation and would like to be featured in the next edition, send your stories and pictures to

marketingassistant@peacehaventowncouncil.gov.uk

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# Councillors

### Town Council Elections

A new town council will be elected on 2nd May. A full list of the ward councillors with their contact details will appear here in the June edition.

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