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Making Peacehaven a better place to live, work and visit



## From The Mayor

#### Cllr Claude Cheta



Dear Peacehaven residents,

On Saturday 22nd February 2020, I had the privilege of hosting the latest 'Food From Around the World' event- African Night . From the feedback received from you so far, I am proud to say that it was a success.

Beyond the food that I am sure you enjoyed, we celebrated innovation, creativity and diversity in our Town. I was impressed with the skills of the dancers and musicians. liked it when so many residents joined in to dance and sing. It was a memorable moment in the life of our town.

Special thanks to John (one of our lovely residents) who generously donated two of his precious paintings from Kenya in support to the Mayor Charity. Thanks also to councilors, volunteers and council staffs who helped organize the event. £764 was raised during the night and will support my chosen charities: Chillax, CTLA, Kempton House and Know Dementia.

As promised, we will continue listening to you and adjust our plans to meet your needs. You requested the Bingo Night and the recent session was very successful, with at least 40 people attending and raising £145. I found your engagement in community activities very encouraging.

As you requested, we are now running the Bingo session on Wednesday starting on 11 March 2020 from 14:00 to 16:00. This will be in addition to the Friday session (next one on Friday 6th March 2020).

Please also note in your diaries the Wrestling Night on 14 March at 19:30.

As you will notice, we are growing as a family and the quality of community life is improving. More residents are having a say in what is happening in Peacehaven: At least 50 people attended the neighborhood plan meeting on Monday 24 February 2020 and shared their hope, expectation and vision for the town. We saw many challenges ahead of us, but many opportunities and strengths as well.

We are moving in the right direction. Let's keep going.

Claude Cheta

Your Mayor

#### IMPORTANT INFO FOR EU CITIZEN'S



Many EU citizens living in the UK are confused about how and when they need to apply for Settled Status to stay in the UK. The good news is their rights won't change until 31 December 2020 however, they should apply as soon as possible in case of any delays. After the transition period ends on 31 December EU citizens might be asked to prove their right to get a job or use a service like the NHS.

To apply for settled status, they need evidence that they've lived in the UK for 6 months out of every 12 months for 5 years in a row. They will also need a passport or national ID card, a digital photo, a National Insurance number or proof of how long they have lived in the UK, a mobile number and an email address.

Those who do not have a National Insurance number can contact HM Revenue and Customs National Insurance Helpline on 0300 200 3500 to help find it.

For parents, it is often easier to make an application for a child after they have made their own because the two can be linked. In order to apply on behalf of children, parents will need to have proof of their relationship - for example a birth certificate.

If anyone is unsure of what to do, help is available at all our offices across the district and details of opening times are available on our website www.lewesdistrictcab.org.uk



## AMERICAN RUMBLE

7.30pm 14th MARCH MERIDAN CENTRE



JOSH FAULKNER is aiming to have the last laugh when big-time wrestling returns to Peacehaven on March 14.

Faulkner, who combines his exploits in the ring with performing gigs on the stand-up comedy circuit, is one of the top grapplers taking part in an American Rumble Spectacular at the Meridian Centre.

The big Saturday night show, presented by leading matchmakers Premier Promotions, whose events have been thrilling fans for five decades, will feature an all-in rumble event in which the wrestlers are eliminated by being thrown out of the ring over the top rope, and the last man standing is the winner. Faulkner, the recently-crowned Premier Wrestling Federation heavyweight champion, will be fighting it out against a power-packed line-up in a bid to land the king of the ring crown on his first Peacehaven appearance for two years.

The 24-year-old body-builder from London became the youngest-ever winner of the PWF title when he defeated former European champion James Mason in a bout at Worthing in November to find a successor to modern-day grappling icon Doug Williams.

Among the star names standing in his way will be one of Europe's most exciting lightweights, "Wonder Kid" Jonny Storm, the giant "Man Mountain" of wrestling Karl Atlas, controversial high-flying Londoner Tate Mayfairs, masked destroyer The Phantom and Buddhist grappler Josef Kafka.

The much in-demand Storm will be making his Peacehaven debut - seven years after the promoters first tried to book him for a Saturday night show at the Meridian Centre!

The show, in aid of the mayor's charities and sponsored by Aquarius Solutions, starts at 7.30. Tickets from the Meridian Centre, telephone 01273 585493, or on line at Eventbrite.co.uk.



## From the Town Clerk



From the desk of the Town Clerk......

On Tuesday 21st April, we have the Annual Town Meeting here at Community House starting at 6pm. This is an event where we can reflect on the past year, discuss current issues and look forward to the next year and beyond.

For this meeting we produce an Annual Town Report which includes statements from the Council, local charities, local organisations and any other local bodies, highlighting their work over the last year. Please send your report to me by Friday 21st March (by email in MS Word format if possible).

Applications are now being sought from local charities, local organisations, etc. for the first round of Council grants allocations which will take place in April/May. The Council's grants policy and an application form can be found on the Council's web site, or please ring the office and we will be happy to send them to you.

Please also take time to have a look at the wide range of events that take place here at Community House; I hope that you will be as amazed as I am at the number and the variety that are on offer.

Tony Allen



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# Senior Projects Officer (Planning & Business Development Officer) VACANCY

Peacehaven Town Council is looking for an experienced Projects Officer to develop and implement its vision for the community and for sustainable long-term planning development. This will include the creation of a Business Plan for the Council, the redevelopment of Peacehaven Town Centre and delivering the Neighbourhood Plan.

The successful candidate will have proven Project Management Skills, the ability to communicate at all levels and experience of local authority planning.

The position is initially part-time (22.5 hours per week). Salary circa £42,000 (pro-rata) subject to experience.

#### Principal Responsibilities:

- 1. Developing and implementing the Town Council Business Plan and the Neighbourhood Development Plan.
- $2. \ To \ work \ closely \ with \ Council \ Officers \ at \ Town, \ District \ and \ County \ level \ and \ other \ stakeholders.$
- 3. To identify and apply to external funding sources to enhance the services provided to the town.
- 4. To support entrepreneurial activity and create sustainable employment opportunities.
- 5. To develop a sustainable transport plan for Peacehaven and to consult with relevant highways authorities.
- 6. To manage, in consultation with stakeholders, the regeneration of the town centre and other facilities.
- 7. To attend all Planning & Highways and Business Planning Committee meetings.
- 8. To undertake other duties from time to time consistent with the level of the post including deputising as the Proper Officer.

#### **Person Specification:**

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Educated to Degree Level - Essential

Driving – use of car and current driving licence- Desirable

#### Knowledge/Experience:

An understanding of local authority administration and/or experience of working in the public sector- Desirable

An understanding or experience of the commercial environment- Essential

Experience of working in partnership with a diverse range of people, community groups and businesses- Desirable

Experience of managing projects and delivering results on time and within budget- Essential

Experience of successfully managing a significant budget and obtaining external funding - Essential

Experience of Local Authority and Neighbourhood planning - Desirable

#### Skills:

An ability to work under pressure with changing priorities and timescales- Essential

An ability to negotiate and influence outcomes- Essential

Excellent oral communication skills and a clear confident presentation style- Essential

Excellent written communication skills, including committee papers- Essential

An ability to analyse situations and data and present a workable solution- Essential

An ability to manage major projects- Essential

An ability to take the initiative and devise creative solutions- Essential

Resilient, able to advise elected members- Essential

Good IT skills including project management- Essential

Able to use Microsoft Office applications, Social Media and the Internet- Essential

#### Flexibility:

Available for attendance at evening meetings (and some weekend meetings/events) social events, talks to local groups- Essential

For more information and an application pack please contact the Town Clerk at Peacehaven Town Council.

Email: townclerk@peacehaventowncouncil.gov.uk

Tel: 01273 585493

Closing Date: 5pm on Friday 27th March 2020



## From the MP Lloyd Russell-Moyle



I know that many of you are worried about coronavirus after recent cases in Brighton.

I have continued to be updates from the CEO of the Sussex NHS CCG and the Health Minister regarding the situation, and the potential risks that it poses to local residents.

Whilst I understand why the recent confirmed cases of coronavirus is concerning to many of you, I want to reiterate that this is not cause to panic, which is consistent with the advice from NHS officials and the Government.

The best thing that you can do is to follow the guidelines provided by the NHS, which are here to help you to stay protected.

- 1) Always carry tissues with you and use them to catch your cough or sneeze.
- 2) Bin the tissue, and to kill the germs, wash your hands with soap and water, or use a sanitiser gel.
- 3) If you have arrived back from China within 14 days follow the specific advice for returning travellers. More information is available on their website, and I strongly advise that you contact 111 if you are showing any symptoms.

#### From the PCSO - Chris Marchant

On Friday 21st February we have had a multiagency Open Day to co-inside with the school half term at Saxon House Newhaven. This has involved about 25 agencies, from Police, Fire, Council, assorted youth clubs, sailing and rowing clubs, schools, gymnastic groups, Sea Cadets, Scouts, well you name it and they were there. Why? I can hear you ask. The Community has come together in response to on-going Anti-Social behaviour from a small minority, who are impacting on the majority. Therefore the aim is to see what can be offered to try and deflect these youngsters from their ways. (Who wouldn't want a taster day at the Newhaven Sailing Club at Piddinghoe). The reason this is all getting a mention, is we feel this is worth rolling out over the District, so this has the potential to turn the event into a road show, going to Seaford, Lewes and yes...Peacehaven.

We are planning to have theses at regular intervals going forward.

If you have a business, or if you belong to a group or association that works alongside youth related matters, or you feel you could offer something to the youth(s) please contact me on: details below:

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#### **Howard Park Public Consultation**



Peacehaven Town Council is undertaking a public consultation about the future of Howard Peace Park to find out what you like & dislike and how you would like to see it improved.

A survey form to help gather your views is available by email or on paper from the Information Office, Community House, Meridian Centre and we would be very grateful if you can complete it and return it to Peacehaven Town Council.

You can also complete this survey online at: https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/D5PB3DD

Paper copies of the survey are available in the information office, Community House, Meridian Centre

A report containing the results and future plans for the park will be published later this year. If you would like to get in touch directly, please call me on 07973 864340.



#### Road Closure - Monday 2nd March 8pm-6am

A259 South Coast Road will be closed to through traffic from A259 North Way, Newhaven to Downland Avenue, Peacehaven between 8pm & 6am.

For further information please follow the link;

https://www.eastsussexhighways.com/highway-schemes/a259-south-coast-road-jointing?

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- You will not be treated as a number but will work with our Peacehaven conveyancers Lynn and Pia and their team of assistants – ensuring continuity of service for you.
- You will have the security of dealing with a practice based in Sussex for over 140 years and accredited by the Law Society under the Conveyancing Quality Scheme.



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Telephone 01273 582680 or e-mail: mary.irving@lawsonlewisblakers.co.uk

# Meridian Evening Women's Institute

We're having a coffee morning, come along and enjoy a coffee and cake (or tea and toast), browse the bric a brac, enter our fabulous competition and have a natter. Any questions about WI, ask any member there, we're always ready to talk, what we do, what it's like, what's the commitment, or anything else you'd like to know about our group.

Friday March 6th, Meridian Centre Foyer.

The craft group's entry for the South of England show later this year is coming along well. This is the sort of group WI excels at. Somewhere you can just enjoy spending time doing something creative without feeling under pressure. We have a mix of talents, with everyone pitching in to help This group meets every month, on the first Tuesday, 10.00 -12.00, the community room at the House Project. Next meeting is on Tuesday 3rd March.

We're always ready to welcome and involve new members. If you are interested in joining you can contact us by email at meridianeveningwi@outlook.com or just come to one of our meetings.

These are held at Peacehaven Meridian Centre, in the Anzac Room, on the fourth Wednesday of the month, 7.15 pm for 7.30pm til 9.45pm, with regular speakers and activities. The speakers vary but are never allowed to speak for too long, while our activities have ranged from salsa dancing to cooking. There is a monthly competition, raffle, tea and coffee and plenty of chat. No singing is required or knowledge of jam making!

## **Quiz Night**



General knowledge Quiz -

Friday 3rd April, 7 for 7.30pm start.

Main Hall Community House.

£2pp teams of upto 8.

Evening in aid of the Mayor's charities.

Bring your own snacks & drinks.





## FORD FIRES HAVEN INTO THE SEMIS

#### BY PITCHSIDE VIEW



CURT FORD assured Peacehaven & Telscombe of their place in the semi-finals of the Sussex Senior when they overcame Lewes.

He hit a beauty on 49 minutes from 20 yards to set up a semi-final date against National League South side Eastbourne Borough.

Peacehaven came into the game as underdogs against a team who play two divisions above them. The game was a robust affair with both sides looking dangerous when they attacked.

With just half an hour played Peacehaven had a huge penalty appeal waved away. And then Ford (pictured) hit the post with a good header.

Straight from the restart Peacehaven attacked as Jake Brocklebank found Josh Marshall who flicked the ball through to Ford who fired wide.

And then in the 49th minute Ford put Peacehaven ahead. Straightaway Lewes responded forcing Haven 'keeper Sanded into a good save.

With just one minute left to play Sanded made another brilliant save when he pushed the ball out for a corner.

Final score: Peacehaven & Telscombe 1, Lewes 0.

Home games coming up are: Saturday March 7, Horsham YMCA, 21st, East Preston, April 4 Loxwood, 11th Eastbourne Town. Kick-off 3pm. Check the club's website for any rearranged fixtures which may have been added.



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