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**CELEBRATING 100 YEARS
OF PEACEHAVEN NEWS-
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Making Peacehaven a better place to live, work and visit



From The Mayor

Cllr Claude Cheta



Dear residents of Peacehaven,

It has been a long month, especially for me taking time to recover from Coronavirus.

I can't stress the need enough to stay at home, only go out if it's necessary, to collect prescriptions or to exercise.

During these unprecedented times the need for regular food donations is pivotal. Items can be dropped off at Community House during every weekday morning between 8.00am – 11.00am. All donations will be gratefully received.

The NHS blood sessions are continuing to take place at Community House. Peacehaven Councillors and staff are available to answer any questions you may have, just ring the office number 01273 585493.

We're reading and listening to your questions about a closer vaccination site to Peacehaven. Community House is currently on standby but it cannot accommodate the Pfizer Vaccine in great numbers due to its temperature conditions. It is however, possible that Community House will be a site to support the COVID-19 testing programme. We are very happy to support whatever helps the country recover from this deadly virus.

Please check out our website for information and up-dates regarding COVID-19 and for all latest news. Make a point of contacting a relation, friend or neighbour even if it's for a quick chat.

Your Mayor
Claude Cheta

FROM PCSO- CHRIS MARCHANT



We have had a couple of burglaries across the town over the past couple of weeks, these tend to be opportunistic.

Please don't give any person the opportunity to leave you a victim.

Simple precautions like locking doors and windows will obviously help, whether that is on your home or your vehicle.

Leaving a light on or getting a PIR light that detects movement can also be a really good deterrent. Simple things that are really cost effective can make all the difference, like CCTV.

It's not necessary to spend thousands of pounds on a system, the internet is full of cheap alternatives that are really effective.

Remember that you are more than welcome to ask for advice at

christopher.marchant@sussex.pnn.police.uk

Hopefully we can all get vaccinated this spring as I look forward to getting out into the Community and seeing you all again.



From the Town Clerk



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

This month marks my second anniversary as your Town Clerk. The time has flown by, despite the advent of Covid and the many other challenges that beset a Town Council in the course of its operations.

I am grateful for having a brilliant team of staff and Councillors working with me and giving me much needed support and advice. I am very lucky in this respect and we never forget that we are here to serve you, our residents.

This last year we have continued to make great improvements to our ways of working and this has brought many positive changes and results, particularly in the area of managing finances, but there is always room for more improvement.

Looking forwards, we will continue to find ways to support our community's needs, to the extent of our powers and finances and we will continue to chase after other authorities to supplement this. One thing Covid has done is to highlight the areas that urgently need addressing.

Please take care and keep safe and well.

Best regards,

Tony



COUNCIL MEETING'S THIS MONTH

TUESDAY 2ND PLANNING & HIGHWAYS 7.30PM

TUESDAY 9TH LEISURE, AMENITIES & ENVIRONMENT 7.30PM

TUESDAY 16TH BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT 7.30PM

TUESDAY 23RD PLANNING & HIGHWAYS 7.30PM

All Council meetings are open for public to attend and watch.

If you would like to attend a virtual meeting please email: townclerk@peacehaventowncouncil.gov.uk

FROM THE MP- LLOYD RUSSELL-MOYLE



We hopefully have light at the end of the tunnel when it comes to this awful pandemic but now more than ever we need to redouble our efforts to ensure we minimise the effects of the virus on our health service.

At the time of writing Sussex County Hospital has reached capacity of critical care beds.

I have been assured that the NHS is still coping and if you need medical care please call 111 for non-emergencies or 999 for emergencies.

I have been having regular meetings with the NHS and the Council regarding the vaccine roll-out and we have started to massively expand capacity for the delivery of the vaccine. The NHS would like to remind everyone that you will be contacted by your GP when it is your turn to receive your vaccine. They are starting with the most at risk groups, being the over 80's and NHS workers.

The Government have pledged to vaccinate 15 million people by mid-February and it is a goal I am going to hold them to in Parliament. In the meantime we need to stay inside and minimise all contact to ensure we can relieve the pressure on the NHS. I hope by the summer life can begin to return to normal but until then please stay safe everyone.

KNOW DEMENTIA UPDATE



Families that would normally be attending our Memory Moments Café sessions at the Meridian Centre are currently being supported with regular telephone contact from our Café Coordinators.

Families are also receiving our monthly Know Dementia newsletter which contains a variety of different articles, some written by the families themselves that attend the cafes, along with recipes, crafts, puzzles, poems, etc.

The newsletters can be accessed via this link www.knowdementia.co.uk/events/.

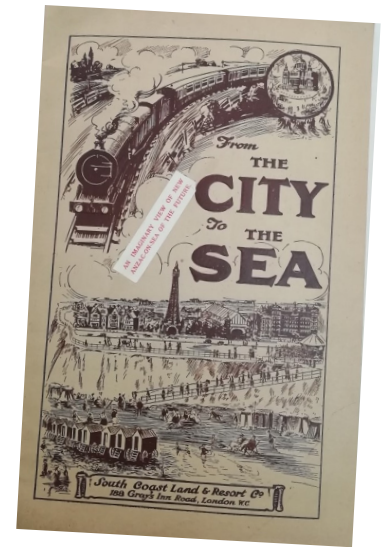
The December edition included a CD with a selection of the most popular songs performed by our regular entertainers, Jim and Natalie Pyle from Full Beam Productions. Know Dementia has also engaged Jim and Natalie, along with Moving Sounds and our other regular entertainers at the Cafe, to provide videos specifically produced for the families, which are accessed through links sent out via emails, Facebook and our website www.knowdementia.co.uk/health-wellbeing-activities/.

Watching and joining in with these videos is maintaining a connection to the Café sessions, making the families feel less isolated due to the familiarity with the entertainers and are being very well received. If you require support contact us on Tel. 01273 494300 or email us at info@knowdementia.co.uk

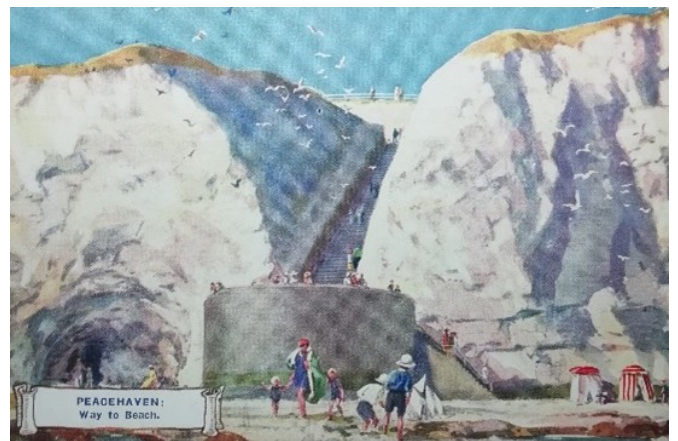
PEACEHAVEN IN 1921

One hundred years ago, at the start of 1921, Peacehaven had barely a handful of houses and a mere 24 permanent residents but the air was filled with the noise of hundreds of workmen and tradesmen building new homes. The men were glad of the work as there was mass unemployment throughout the country. By 1925, the landscape was peppered with bungalows and the population had risen to around 3,500. Today the population of the town exceeds 15,000.

Charles Neville, the founder of Peacehaven, hoped that this bit of coastal countryside could be turned into a 'garden city by the sea' and his futuristic dreams were illustrated in early promotional brochures and advertisements such as the one shown. The artwork was by one of Neville's employees, Gordon Volk, son of the inventor Magnus Volk. The potential of this new resort encouraged hundreds to acquire plots; the building materials, labour and services were provided largely by Neville's numerous companies. Sadly, the envisaged tower, railway station, bandstand, beach huts and bathing machines never came to fruition.

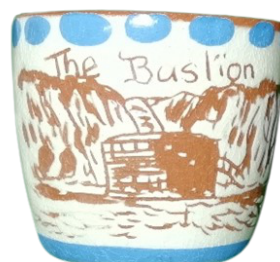


However, 1921 did see the construction of a feature that would enable the Peacehaven pioneers and their families to have easy access to the rocky foreshore and the sea – the Bastion and Bastion Steps. In the 1930's, a concrete beach pool was added, the water being refreshed with every tide, but this fell into disrepair during the second world war and was later demolished. The Bastion disappeared when the Undercliff was built in the late 1970's but the original Bastion Steps are still there, cutting down through the cliff, largely unchanged. The popularity of the Bastion and Bastion Steps is perhaps reflected in the huge number of postcards in which they have featured.



Rare china egg cup decorated with The Bastion

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The year 1921 also saw the publication of the first edition of The Peacehaven Post, a wonderful monthly magazine, delivered for 4 shillings a year. Under the guiding hand of Charles Neville promoting his infant 'Garden City', it was edited by George Powell. He and his brother Felix Powell, the composer of 'Pack up your troubles in your old kit bag', were both residents of Peacehaven, and together, wrote a song entitled 'Come to Peacehaven' in 1921. The magazine was filled with local news, sport, adverts of local businesses, Gordon Volk's cartoons, anecdotes, poems, residents' contributions, photos of the latest houses, and articles promoting the health benefits of the town where we now live.



Credit to: Peacehaven Resident Derek Barton has lived in Peacehaven for the past 30 years

HAVENS COMMUNITY CARS OFFER VACCINATION TRANSPORTATION

ONLY PAY THE COST OF THE FUEL AND A SMALL ADMINISTRATION CHARGE



Havens Community Cars CIO, which launched in September 2020, now has over 100 members. With dozens of calls for support received already to reach the vaccination centres in Eastbourne and Brighton, the charities volunteer drivers are working every day to help in the fight against the Covid Pandemic.

One of the most memorable journeys undertaken by a Havens Community Cars volunteer driver this week was for a 93-year-old couple to get their Covid vaccine after celebrating their 70th Wedding Anniversary.

The driver reported "they were a lovely couple who said the vaccine was the best gift they had received. They said they didn't want any of their remaining time together cut short."

Residents living between Saltdean and Seaford (The Havens) can join the scheme for free and use the service whilst only paying the cost of the fuel and a small administration charge. It is open to anyone unable to use public transport.

New volunteers are always welcome to apply with full training, DBS checks and PPE equipment provided as well as volunteer expenses covered.

To find out more please email havenscommcar@gmail.com or call 01273 918226 (Mon-Fri 9-1)



EASTER BONNET COMPETITION

**DESIGN AND MAKE YOUR OWN
EASTER BONNET / HAT**

Entry Cost: Donation to food bank

**Entries to be dropped off to the
information office, Meridian Centre
between 9am-11am, Mon to Fri**

Closing Date: Friday 26th March

THANKS FOR RESPONDING TO THE CENTRE OF PEACEHAVEN MASTERPLAN SURVEY



Thank you to all those who responded to the survey on the masterplan for the centre of Peacehaven the Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) Steering Group has had a fantastic response and is currently collating everyone's views.

There have been many comments on Facebook and other platforms and an updated frequently asked questions document has been created which you can view here: (www.peacehaven-and-telscombe-neighbourhood-plan-steering-group.co.uk/post/masterplan-frequently-asked-questions), to respond to questions as they arise.

All the responses will be used to create a paper which will be used as an evidence document.

A pamphlet was delivered to every home in the plan area i.e. East Saltdean, Telscombe including Telscombe village and Peacehaven. Social media and websites were also used to promote the online survey. The pamphlet set out the background on the NDP and the concept possibility for land use on the Meridian Site.

We had planned a number of public events in 2020 to consult and make the community aware of the vision and aims of the NDP but of course these were overshadowed by COVID-19 regulations. However, on 11th February at 7pm we will be holding a public Zoom meeting, to enable any questions or comments to be addressed. Please contact Peacehaven Town Council's Town Clerk at: townclerk@peacehaventowncouncil.gov.uk if you wish to attend.

The Co-op Group own the majority of the land on the Meridian Site and they have appointed a preferred developer - Henry Davidson Developments Limited (HDD).

HDD will in due course be consulting on their plans and they will be responsible for an actual planning application. If you wish to contact HDD directly to make your views known you can do here (www.hddl.co.uk/contact-us).

For more information about the Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) Steering Group see the [website](#), [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).



JACKIE WILKES, CHIEF OFFICER OF LEWES DISTRICT CITIZENS ADVICE:

citizens
advice

Staff and volunteers at Lewes District Citizens Advice hear stories every day of families whose lives have been turned upside down by this pandemic.

Some had never needed support from the benefits system before, while others were already struggling to get by before Covid struck. In total we've given 665 people one-to-one advice on Universal Credit since the first lockdown in March. 49% of people seeking our support on benefits used our services for the very first time.

We know that the government's £20 a week boost to the Universal Credit at the start of the pandemic often made the difference between empty cupboards and food on the table.

But that lifeline is currently set to end in just a few short months. It's a cut that's likely to push people into missed bills, mounting debts and a daily struggle to make ends meet. It's a cut that will also drain spending power from our fragile economy.

With an ongoing pandemic and a bleak outlook in the jobs market, we're urging the government to keep that lifeline. It's the right thing to do to support people who've lost livelihoods through no fault of their own.

PEACEHAVEN COMMUNITY AWARD 2021

The search to find a Peacehaven Resident to receive the Peacehaven Community Award for 2021 has started.

This prestigious award goes to an individual who has given their time and energy, throughout the pandemic, to benefit the local community and is open to a resident in PEACEHAVEN only. This award will be presented at the Annual Town Meeting on Thursday 6th May 2021.

The resident doesn't have to be well-known or involved in any major events; so long as their efforts have benefitted the local people and the community of Peacehaven.

Nominees should be:

- An individual, who has shown outstanding courage
- An individual who has done something of great benefit to you or the community
- An individual who has shown extraordinary commitment, energy and effort in their particular field or towards achieving a particular goal

Nomination forms for the Peacehaven Community Award can be found on our website or please email: marketingassistant@peacehaventowncouncil.gov.uk

Nominations must be made by two people and the nomination should state why the individual should receive the award.

RAMPION 2 WIND FARM EXTENSION LAUNCHES FIRST CONSULTATION



Rampion 2 wind farm extension launches first consultation

An informal consultation has been opened seeking feedback on initial proposals to expand the Rampion Wind Farm off the Sussex coast. Rampion 2 could create clean, renewable electricity to power over one million homes in the UK in addition to Rampion's existing generation. Feedback from this first consultation will help refine more detailed proposals which will be prepared for a second consultation later this year.

An offshore 'Area of Search' is being assessed to identify the optimum site for a maximum of up to 116 turbines, the same number as the existing Rampion Offshore Wind Farm. A subsea export cable is proposed to bring the power ashore under Climping beach, with an underground onshore cable route required to bring the power inland to connect to the national transmission grid at Bolney, where three potential sites are being considered for a new substation.

You can visit our 'virtual village hall' exhibition and give your feedback from 14th January to 11th February at www.Rampion2.com

Photo courtesy of Rampion Offshore Wind

UNDER 15'S REACH THE CUP FINAL ... BUT WILL IT BE PLAYED?

By Pitchside View



PEACEHAVEN & TELSCOMBE under 15s have booked their place in the final of the Mid Sussex league cup, but will it be played?

With grassroots football currently cancelled for the foreseeable future and with the distinct possibility the season may be abandoned altogether, Ian Brown's under 15s may not be able to test themselves in the final – the first this group of players has reached.

But given the torrid situation we all find ourselves in, it is worth celebrating the Under 15s route to the final.

In the first round Peacehaven faced Fishergate Flyers at home who they despatched 6-1. A hat trick from Tom Payne and two from Louis McMahon and one from Jody Parish-Jones sealed a comfortable victory 6-1 for Peacehaven.

In the quarter-finals St Francis Rangers away were the opposition and the game saw Peacehaven come away with a 2-1 win courtesy of goals from Richard Brown and a stunning strike from the edge of the box from Danny Hamill.

Peacehaven then drew Southdown Rovers in the semi-finals. With one point separating the two teams in the league this was always going to be a difficult game and conditions were atrocious.

Tom Payne smashed an unstoppable shot into the roof of the net to give Peacehaven the lead and this they held onto to make their way into the final.

Will the final be played? Who knows. If it is it is scheduled to be played on Sunday March 7 at Oakwood FC against Crawley Down Gatwick.



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