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*Making Peacehaven a better place to live, work and visit*





## From the desk of the Town Clerk



Regretfully I have to inform you that Matthew Gunn left the Council at the end of September.

Matt looked after the Council's web site, social media, advertising and marketing, as well as being a key member of some Committees and Working Parties.

Matt was also the 'go to' person for all things technical and we will all miss him very much. He is taking his many skills into the commercial world and we wish him the best of luck.

It's so nice now to have our regulars and other hirers returning to use the Council's facilities. There is some apprehension but there is also a semblance of normality returning.

The Neighbourhood Development Plan has been drafted and is being reviewed internally initially to make sure that it is fit for purpose. You will be hearing about this a lot more very soon and we will be seeking your views and agreement to the Plan.

The Council is also finalising its Internal Business Development Plan, which is a central and structural guide to how the Council delivers for its residents and seeks all opportunities for the Town.

There is so much going on in the Council and its Committees and Working Parties. Please have a look at the reports on the Council's web site and do let us know if you have any questions or would like to become involved in any of our activities.

Best regards,  
Tony Allen



## ART SHOWCASE LAUNCHED



Peacehaven Town Council are organising an Art Showcase to support the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

The piece of art, in whatever form you prefer should be submitted no later than 17th December 2021.

All entries will be displayed in Community House until June 2022. For further information with the terms & conditions please email Deborah Donovan:  
[civicanmarketing@peacehaventowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:civicanmarketing@peacehaventowncouncil.gov.uk)

The overall best entry will receive a gift from the Royal Collection Gift shop.

### From The Mayor's Civic Officer Deborah Donovan



I have been asked to write a few words on behalf of the Mayor about what's coming up in the Civic diary:

As we leave the summer behind we have a lot of events to look forward to.

This month the Mayor will be judging the carved pumpkin entries, on 28th October, see information on page 9. Our bingo session have restarted, check our our Facebook page for up-dates. Both Remembrance services, in November will go ahead this year, Armistice Day on 11th and Remembrance Sunday on 14th both services start at 11.00am. We are encouraging our residents to attend both events and would like to see our local schools participate on 11th.

The Christmas Market will be organised by one of our regular hirers this year, they have kindly offered to run a raffle on behalf for the Mayor's charities. If you wish to donate a prize towards the raffle please drop it in to the Information Office during working hours.

Until next month, take care and look after yourselves.

## UNIVERSAL CREDIT CUT

Soon Universal Credit claimants will receive notifications about a cut to their benefits of £20 a week - equivalent to £1,040 a year - from 6 October depending on the day you get your Universal Credit payment.

How many people will be affected?

The cut will hit 6305 people on Universal Credit in Lewes District; Families with children represent 37% and 38% are already in work.

How much could I lose?

Every Universal Credit claim will drop by around £85 a month, depending on individual circumstances.

There is support available. Speak to an adviser about:

- A benefits check to verify you're getting all the support you're entitled to. Or use the online calculator.
- Help with debt. Some bills can cause more problems. Rent, mortgage arrears, energy bills and council tax are priority debts with serious consequences if you don't pay them. Lewes District Citizens Advice can provide guidance if you're struggling with bills.
- Free school meals. If you have children and you get certain benefits, you might be eligible for free school meals.
- Food bank vouchers. You can ask for a referral from Lewes District Citizens Advice or an organisation that's already supporting you.
- Check your online journal so you know how much your benefits will reduce by and when.

"Lewes District Citizens Advice is on hand to help you if you're worried about making ends meet."

- Universal Credit Help to Claim line 0800 1448444



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## REMEMBRANCE PARADE AND SERVICE

The traditional REMEMBRANCE MEMORIAL SERVICE will be held at the Peacehaven & Telscombe War Memorial at Meridian Park, Peacehaven, on Sunday 14th November 2021 at 11.00am. Peacehaven Town Council, Telscombe Town Council and The Royal British Legion are looking forward to seeing as many of your members as possible attending the service to celebrate the end of hostilities.

Organisations taking part in the Parade will muster at the Joff Car Park, Peacehaven by 10.15am prior to moving off under the direction of the Parade Marshall. Wreath layers should report to the Civic Officer for instructions on arrival at the War Memorial.

In the event of severe weather, representatives should contact the Civic Officer, Deborah Donovan on 01273585493 by 9.00am to ascertain whether a parade will be held or if organisations should report directly to the Church of the Ascension.

It would be appreciated if you could confirm your attendance by e-mailing me;  
[civicanmarketing@peacehaventowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:civicanmarketing@peacehaventowncouncil.gov.uk).

If a poppy wreath is required for Ceremonial Laying at the Memorial, please contact the Royal British Legion Poppy organiser, Stephen Redman ([suered@btinternet.com](mailto:suered@btinternet.com)) Wreaths and posies must be collected as soon as possible from the Council Offices or as arranged by Stephen as there will not be any available on Remembrance Day.

If you should require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me on 01273585493.  
Thank you in advance of a peaceful parade & service.



The local branch of the Royal British Legion are in need of new members to ensure the branch keeps afloat! If you are interested in joining please let us know.

Greenhavens Network represents over 100 community groups and organisations working in and around green spaces in Peacehaven, Newhaven and Seaford in East Sussex.

Greenhavens Network member groups are passionate and enthusiastic about their green spaces and want to share that passion with their local communities. They are made up of hundreds of volunteers who provide thousands of hours of their free time because they care and want to make friends, keep healthy and learn new skills in the great outdoors.

If you want to be involved, Greenhavens Network community groups are waiting to hear from you. Contact them today to see the difference they can make to you and your local green spaces.



<https://greenhavens.network>

E: [greenhavens@yahoo.com](mailto:greenhavens@yahoo.com)





## PEACEHAVEN & TELSCOMBE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP

### **Peacehaven and Telscombe ambitions to become a 20-minute neighbourhood**

Ambitions to become a 20-minute neighbourhood, where people can meet their everyday needs within a short walk or cycle, was outlined in the September Peacehaven and Telscombe Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group meeting.

Research has shown that benefits of a 20-minute neighbourhood include a boost to the local economy, spending locally and more businesses. Cars are used less and there is more active travel and an increase in street greening and green spaces. Overall, there is more of a sense of community and less anti-social behaviour.

Towns and cities globally realise that they need to create compact and sustainable neighbourhoods to meet these goals but face common challenges including financial, reduced staff and expertise, competing resources to prioritise and a lack of consistent goals.

However, steps can be taken by ensuring that there are inclusive activities available, walking and cycling routes are connected and there is a network of open spaces for multiple uses. The quality of streets and spaces should be prioritised, appropriate facilities put in place such as cycle parking and shower facilities and promotion of activity through local champions.

Cathy Gallagher Chair of the Peacehaven and Telscombe Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, "Many of the objectives of the Neighbourhood Plan reflect the goals of the 20-minute neighbourhood including better local facilities and infrastructure, better links to the South Downs National Park and the Coastal Path and improvements to walking and cycling routes. Providing a compact and sustainable town will also see less congestion on the A259 as people stay in the local area to shop and work."

[www.peacehaven-and-telscombe-neighbourhood-plan-steering-group.co.uk/](http://www.peacehaven-and-telscombe-neighbourhood-plan-steering-group.co.uk/).

Facebook: Peacehaven & Telscombe Neighbourhood Plan

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Email: [ptsteergroup@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:ptsteergroup@yahoo.co.uk)

## GARDENING TIPS FOR OCTOBER



### Gardening Tips for October

The weather has changed and Autumn is upon us, haven't the last few months flown by. October is the time for cleaning up in the garden, water butts may need cleaning out along with gutters. You should also cover wooden garden furniture and terracotta pots will need bringing inside as they have a tendency to freeze and crack.

Now is the best time to plant winter pansies, wallflowers and spring flowering bulbs to give you lovely Spring colour.

You can also plant new perennials, trees and shrubs.

You can replant hanging baskets with spring flowering bulbs, trailing Ivy's, winter heathers and spring bedding plants.

You can divide overcrowded and poor flowering herbaceous plants and cut back perennials that have died down.

You should also prune climbing roses.

Pumpkins that were planted in April, May & June should be ready for harvesting in October. If you have any spare then hollow them out as they make great bird feeders.

Don't forget to move tender plants into a conservatory or greenhouse.

If you have a greenhouse now is the time to insulate it using bubble wrap.

You can care for your lawn by brushing leaves or raking them off the grass. The end of October is the correct time of year for the last cut of the lawn, make sure you cut it slightly higher than during the summer months as this will protect your lawn from winter frost damage.

If you like hyacinths you should plant them now, they will give lovely scent and colour in your home but make sure you get the 'prepared' ones.

Happy Gardening!



*Alison Standing*  
*Peacehaven Horticultural Society*





## PUMPKIN CARVING COMPETITION



Bring your carved pumpkins to the information office by Wednesday 27th October at 12.00pm.

The Peacehaven Mayor will judge her favourite on Thursday 28th October.

Entry: A contribution to the food bank

Help your community whilst having fun

Categories: Child, Adult, Teen, Business

Contact us on 01273 585493 for more information

Pumpkins can be collected from the information office on Friday 29th October



## BINGO DATES



## BINGO

OCTOBER 2021

**Friday 8th**

**7.00 - 9.00pm**

**Wednesday 20th**

**2.00 - 4.00pm**

8 Games for £4 plus Snowball  
& Flyer games!

**CASH Prizes and FREE Refreshments**  
**MAIN HALL, COMMUNITY HOUSE**





## **CURRENT VACANCIES**

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

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 development 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 30-37 hours per week.

Salary circa £36,000-£42,000 subject to experience and hours.

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

Email: [townclerk@peacehaventowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:townclerk@peacehaventowncouncil.gov.uk)

Tel: 01273 585493

Closing Date: 5pm on Friday 22nd October 2021.

### **Communications & Commercial Officer**

Peacehaven Town Council is looking for an experienced person to develop and implement the Council's operations in the following areas

- Marketing
- Advertising
- Filming
- Website (CMS - Wordpress)
- Newsletters
- Social Media
- Public & commercial communications
- Deputy Civic Officer

The successful applicant will be experienced in the above areas and able to be self-sufficient and quickly contribute.

The position is full-time (37 hours per week).

Salary circa £21,500 subject to experience.

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

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## COUNCIL MEETINGS THIS MONTH



**TUESDAY 5TH CIVIC & COMMUNITY EVENTS 7.30PM**

**TUESDAY 12TH PLANNING & HIGHWAYS 7.30PM**

**TUESDAY 19TH LEISURE, AMENITIES & ENVIRONMENT 7.30PM**

**TUESDAY 26TH POLICY & FINANCE 7.30PM**

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

If you would like to find out more about our meetings please email: [admin@peacehaventowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:admin@peacehaventowncouncil.gov.uk)

## HELLO AND GOODBYE!



We welcome Graham Southern to our team of caretakers. Graham will split his time at Community House and the Hub.

We are sad to say our goodbyes to Matthew Gunn who trained and worked with us for 4 years as our Communications Officer. Matt has now taken a position with an independent IT firm and to Michelle Edser who will work for the Planning Department at ESCC.

Good luck to you all.



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