

# HAILSHAM FORWARD

## EXECUTIVE TEAM

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT 9.00AM ON 31ST MARCH 2017 AT  
HAILSHAM TOWN COUNCIL OFFICES, MARKET STREET, HAILSHAM

### Attendees:

Cllr Nigel Coltman – Co-opted Member: NSC  
Cllr Gavin Blake-Coggins – Hailsham Town Council: GBC  
Jan Townsend – Community Representative: JT  
Cllr Nick Collinson – Wealden District Council: NAC  
Mickey Caira – Officer Support Hailsham Town Council: MC  
Cllr Chriss Triandafyllou – Hailsham Town Council: CT  
Clive Soper – Federation of Small businesses: CS

### Action:

4/17/1	<b>Apologies:</b>	
4/17/1.1	Cllr Barby Dashwood-Morris – Hellingly Parish Council: BDM Steve Parmar-Greaves – Local Business Representative: SPG Phil Matthews – Representing Young People: PM Trina Mayson – Hailsham Chamber of Commerce: TM Christian Letschka - Officer Support Hailsham Town Council; CL	
4/17/2	<b><u>Minutes of Meeting Held on 10<sup>th</sup> March 2017</u></b>	
4/17/2.1	These were agreed as an accurate record of the meeting.	
4/17/3	<b><u>Matters Arising:</u></b>	
4/17/3.1	<u>Minute 3/17/4.1. CIC Document</u> NAC to locate and supply contact details to MC	
4/17/3.2	<u>Minute 3/17/4.1 Hailsham Industrial Parks</u> CL has issued the road diversion routes for the Diplocks Road Works.	
4/17/3.3	<u>Minute 3/17/4.2 Hailsham Industrial Parks</u> MC awaiting feedback from ESCC	

4/17/4	<b><u>Hailsham Industrial Parks</u></b>	
4/17/4.1	MC highlighted the potential to use land at the rear of the industrial units adjacent to the football ground as additional parking. This could alleviate some of the access/egress issues; although it will be difficult to first establish land ownership and find the funding to create a parking area. It was agreed that MC to discuss with WDC to start the process of establishing ownership.	MC to contact WDC.
4/17/4.2	MC put forward Sarah King's request to hold a meeting to discuss the proposal for the creation of an industrial parks association. The Team agreed, noting that this would need to be on a Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday.	MC to organise a meeting with Sarah King.
4/17/5	<b><u>Hailsham Street Market:</u></b>	
4/17/5.1	Tracey Ryland's feedback was discussed by the Team. It was agreed that the focus was to find and retain more traders and to not look to make any changes to the operation of the market for six months.	
4/17/5.2	<p>Details of the feedback:</p> <p><i>We have called every trader and ex trader and also emailed the ex traders to try to get feedback. We haven't reached everyone but have left messages where we were able to.</i></p> <p><i>There is a good amount of feedback and although some of it is mixed there are some consistencies. These are mainly:</i></p> <p><i>Footfall is by far the biggest issue Although it goes quiet at times most people seemed fairly happy with the trading hours and some even talked about extending them</i></p> <p><i>Interestingly, most of the previous traders were positive about the price whilst most of the current traders said that it is too high.</i></p> <p><i>Finally, I put a post on facebook which asked what people would like to see in the market. So far the post has reached 493 people and they have made the following comments:</i></p> <p><i>Cheese</i></p> <p><i>Bread / cakes</i></p>	

	<p><i>Cider</i>  <i>Meat</i>  <i>Fish</i>  <i>Ice cream</i>  <i>Gift items</i>  <i>Local wines</i>  <i>Local honey</i>  <i>Flowers</i>  <i>Clothes</i>  <i>Shoes</i>  <i>Household items</i>  <i>Unique kids clothes and accessories</i></p> <p><i>You can see from this that there is a desire for fresh and good quality food and drink.</i></p>	
4/17/5.3	MC stated that from the list of goods above, as identified by the public, some are already sold at the market with others soon to be available, including cheese. NAC stated that he has a contact for ice cream and will forward this to MC.	NAC to supply contact details of ice cream seller to MC
4/17/5.4	Tracey raised the question on market traders; did Hailsham Forward want quantity over quality in the recruitment of new traders? The Team agreed that quality was more important and the focus should be to recruit as many traders as possible and MC would continue to vet all traders before confirming their attendance at the market.	
4/17/5.5	MC highlighted an on-going issue with one trader parking all day in the bus stand in the High Street whilst trading at the market. The Team agreed that MC should take action as appropriate with this trader to ensure that this does not continue and potentially affect the status of the market.	
4/17/5.6	The Team agreed that the work undertaken by Tracey to date was excellent and asked MC to thank Tracey on their behalf.	MC to thank Tracey for the work on the market.
4/17/6	<b><u>Legal Status Update:</u></b>	
4/17/6.1	There is no further update on this item. MC awaiting details from NAC on specialist help.	

4/17/7	<b><u>Any Other Business:</u></b>	
4/17/7.1	NAC highlighted the on-going issue of anti-social behaviour that is happening in the town centre on a regular basis. This is affecting the businesses and those living in the town centre. He stated that Hailsham Forward should be working with the other authorities in finding solutions to this issue. The Team agreed to this.	
4/17/7.2	MC stated that a meeting with Sussex Police had taken place in the last week to understand the problem and look to solutions. Further meetings and actions will take place in the near future and MC will keep the Team informed of the progress.	
4/17/8	<b><u>Date of Next Meeting:</u></b>	
4/17/8.1	12 <sup>th</sup> May 2017, 9.00am Town Council Offices.	