

HAILSHAM FORWARD CIC

EXECUTIVE TEAM

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT 9.00AM ON 7 JUNE 2019 AT
HAILSHAM TOWN COUNCIL OFFICES, MARKET STREET, HAILSHAM

Attendees:

Christian Letschka - Officer Support Hailsham Town Council: CL
 Cllr Chris Jackets - Hellingly Parish Council: CJ
 Mickey Caira – Officer Support Hailsham Town Council: MC
 Ben Pratt – Hailsham Farmers’ Market: BP
 Cllr Gavin Blake-Coggins – Hailsham Town Council: GBC
 Paul Gibson – Hailsham News & Talk: PG

Action:

6/19/1	<u>Election of Chairman</u>	
	CJ was proposed and elected as chairman of the Executive Committee for the forthcoming year.	
6/19/2	<u>Apologies:</u>	
6/19/2.1	Peter Willson – Hailsham Chamber of Commerce: PW Steve Wennington – Hailsham Active: SW Cllr Nigel Coltman – Co-opted Member: NSC Jan Townsend – Community Representative: JT Clive Soper – Federation of Small Businesses: CS Neil Povey – Hailsham FM: NP Phil Matthews – Representing Young People: PM Cllr Nick Collinson – Wealden District Council NAC Cllr Chriss Triandafyllou – Hailsham Town Council: CT	
6/19/3	<u>Confirmation of the Minutes of the meeting held on 10th May 2019:</u>	
6/19/3.1	The minutes were agreed as an accurate record of the meeting.	
6/19/4	<u>Matters Arising from these minutes</u>	
6/19/4.1	None	

6/19/5	Wealden Local Plan – Health & Wellbeing	
6/19/5.1	MC confirmed that now all the councillor representatives are confirmed and the Hailsham and Hellingly Plan updated he can now request a meeting with Cllr Ann Newton from WDC to discuss how the WDC Local Plan deals with the significant deficit in recreational space in the southern Wealden area.	
6/19/5.2	MC stated that he will invite Cllrs Jackets and White from Hellingly PC, Cllrs Coltman and Blake-Coggins from Hailsham TC and Steve Wennington from Hailsham Active.	
6/19/5.3	CJ reported that Hellingly PC meet every quarter with the NHS, as part of this meeting discussions on the disposal by the NHS of a former chapel and tennis courts have taken place. It may be possible to acquire these facilities from the NHS at a reasonable price and use them for recreational purposes both indoor in the chapel and outdoor on the tennis courts. It would require funding and the use of section 106 monies may be possible. It was agreed that Hailsham Forward write to the NHS to provide support for this opportunity. CJ to provide contact details of the NHS.	CJ to provide contact details. MC to write to the NHS supporting the proposal.
6/19/5.4	It was reported that Jenny Seale has highlighted the lack of recreational facilities at a recent Communities Committee meeting of the Town Council. It was agreed that there needs to be a coordinated approach to the pursuit of more facilities and an improvement to the health & wellbeing of the local community.	
6/19/6	Hailsham Farmers' Market	
6/19/6.1	BP stated that David Chennell who is now the health & wellbeing officer at WDC is supporting the Wealden markets and is also promoting healthy eating as part of this.	
6/19/6.2	BP reported that a couple of new traders have now been found but there is still an issue with the take down of stalls for the June market. He thanked all those who have tried to find help including Steve Wennington, Hailsham Community College and Bede's School. Social media has also assisted in getting the message out.	
6/19/6.3	BP highlighted the work being done to organise the	

	joint Christmas event for 2019. He stated that a small working group had now been formed to work on a detailed plan.	
6/19/7	<u>New Projects</u>	
6/19/6.1	PG reported that the take up on the Shop Local Scheme was slow. He is disappointed as for less than £1 per week a business has access to around 12,000 local people and thought more businesses would have signed up. He stated that he has promoted this at the Hailsham Chamber and a local networking meeting.	
6/19/7.2	MC stated that when the Hailsham Card was launched it took some time for businesses to be confident to join the scheme and it may be the same for Shop Local.	
6/19/7.3	CJ stated that anything that promotes the businesses in Hailsham needs to be exploited.	
6/19/7.4	PG confirmed that any new business joining the scheme are promoted on Hailsham News.	
6/19/7.5	GBC ask what more could be done to promote the scheme locally. MC to talk to Terry Hall to see what HTC could do.	MC to talk to Terry Hall
6/19/7.6	CJ asked if the price was too cheap and therefore putting businesses off. PG stated that he wanted to be competitive at the moment.	
6/19/8	<u>Any Other Business:</u>	
6/19/8.1	MC provided an update on the Post Office opening. It was suggested that the opening should be well publicised. PG offered to make a film and all local media should be advised that the Council is taking on the franchise in Hailsham, which is the only Town Council in the country to do so.	
6/19/8.2	Note: The Post Office have confirmed that they are responsible for the official opening and the promotion of the opening and therefore the Council are unable to get involved in the organisation of the event.	

6/19/9	<u>Date of Next Meetings:</u>	
6/19/9.1	Future Dates for 2019: 5 th July 9 th August 6 th September 4 th October 8 th November 6 th December	