

HAILSHAM FORWARD CIC

EXECUTIVE TEAM

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT 9.00AM ON 9 AUGUST 2019 AT HAILSHAM TOWN COUNCIL OFFICES, MARKET STREET, HAILSHAM

Attendees:

Nikita Clarke-Cox- Officer Support Hailsham Town Council: NCC
 Cllr Chris Jackets - Hellingly Parish Council: CJ
 Mickey Caira – Officer Support Hailsham Town Council: MC
 Ben Pratt – Hailsham Farmers’ Market: BP
 Paul Gibson – Hailsham News & Talk: PG
 Steve Wennington – Hailsham Active: SW
 Cllr Nigel Coltman – Hailsham Town Council: NSC
 Jan Townsend – Community Representative: JT
 Clive Soper – Federation of Small Businesses: CS
 Cllr Gavin Blake-Coggins – Hailsham Town Council: GBC
 Cllr Chriss Triandafyllou – Wealden District Council: CT

Action:

8/19/1	Apologies:	
8/19/1.1	Peter Willson – Hailsham Chamber of Commerce: PW Neil Povey – Hailsham FM: NP Phil Matthews – Representing Young People: PM Cllr Nick Collinson – Director: NAC	
8/19/2	Confirmation of the Minutes of the meeting held on 5th July 2019:	
8/19/2.1	The minutes were agreed as an accurate record of the meeting.	
8/19/3	Matters Arising from these minutes	
8/19/3.1	None	
8/19/4	Wealden Local Plan – Health & Wellbeing	
8/19/4.1	MC confirmed that he will put forward dates in the second half of September for a meeting with Cllr Newton.	MC to email dates.
8/19/5	Town Centre Regeneration:	
8/19/5.1	MC confirmed that the public consultation will begin on 19 th August. The former solicitors’ office in Vicarage Field opposite the health centre will be used to provide information to the public.	

8/19/5.7	PG questioned why there was no publicity on the consultation process.	
8/19/5.8	MC advised the team that Hailsham Town Council acting as trustee for the charity that owns most of the car parks either side of Waitrose has not yet agreed that the car parks can be used as part of this scheme. There will be a meeting of the charity trust on 25 th September to consider the proposal from Wealden. It will be an opportunity for Hailsham to request “compensation” for allowing the car parks to be used in this way. There will also need to be an agreement by the Charities Commission for the use of charity land.	
8/19/6	<u>New Projects</u>	
8/19/6.1	New event for Hailsham in 2020. PG provided a written proposal for the event to MC prior to the meeting; this was presented to the meeting. It was agreed that this will be presented to the Council’s Communities Committee to consider managing. PG confirmed that he was not looking to manage the event himself and was looking for the whole town to get involved if possible.	
8/19/6.2	The timing of the event was discussed, and it was agreed that this should run through the day with a concert to end the event in the evening. This should attract different people through the event.	
8/19/6.3	MC confirmed that the written proposal will be presented to the Committee on 19 th August for consideration. CJ tanked PG for his work on preparing the proposal.	MC to present the proposal to the Communities Committee
8/19/7	<u>Hailsham Forward – Hailsham Town Council Relationship</u>	
8/19/7.1	MC highlighted the challenge made by the Town Council’s Strategy Committee on 7 th July. He has prepared a draft response to the challenge, which was circulated prior to the meeting. It is disappointing that the Council do not consider Hailsham Forward a force for the good for the town.	
8/19/7.2	It was agreed that if any representative wanted to add to the report and provide the positive	All to contact MC if they wanted

	outcomes of being part of Hailsham Forward; then they should provide details to MC	anything added to the report
8/19/7.3	CS reminded the team that the local FSB has 4,500 members and the Chamber 100 members, which are represented via Hailsham Forward. The Chamber are also exploring the expansion into Polegate and the industrial estates. These organisations are apolitical and work for their members interests.	
8/19/7.4	BP highlighted the fact that before Hailsham Forward invited the Famers' Market to join the partnership they did not feel part of Hailsham.	
8/19/7.5	All members of Hailsham Forward are also encouraged to attend the Council meeting, where the report will be presented. They will have an opportunity to address the Council in the first 15 minutes of the meeting.	All can attend the Council meeting on 25 th September at 7.30pm
8/19/8	<u>Any Other Business:</u>	
8/19/8.1	MC highlighted the consultation document he circulated prior to the meeting. He encouraged all to take the time to respond to the consultation in respect of the open spaces and how they are connected to the Cuckoo Trail.	All to consider responding to the consultation.
8/19/8.2	It was highlighted that there is a lack of awareness locally of both Hailsham Farmers' Market and Hailsham Street Market and it was agreed to explore ways to overcome this at the next meeting	MC to put this on the next agenda.
8/19/9	<u>Date of Next Meetings:</u>	
8/19/9.1	Future Dates for 2019: 6 th September 4 th October 8 th November 6 th December	