

T H E UCKFIELDVOICE

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DON'T FORGET TO VOTE

BY HOLLY GORING, TOWN CLERK

In a matter of just a few weeks, households in Uckfield will be asked to vote in local elections and appoint representatives for their community.

Local elections are taking place for both Uckfield Town Council and Wealden District Council. Nominations are required for the 15 seats on Uckfield Town Council and five seats for Wealden District Council in this area.

The role of a councillor

The role of a councillor is to represent a neighbourhood (ward) and the people who live within that area. They are an advocate for local residents, help to keep residents informed and assist with resolving any issues or concerns.

Polling Day

Polling day takes place on Thursday 2 May 2019. If you have registered to vote with the elections department at Wealden District Council, you will receive a polling card prior to this day which will tell you which polling station to visit to vote.

Deadline dates for vote applications

Friday 12 April 2019 is the last day that the elections team at Wealden District Council can receive applications to vote in these elections.

Monday 15 April is the last day that you can apply for a postal vote.

For more information, visit <u>http://www.</u> wealden.gov.uk/Wealden/Council/Voting_ and_Elections/



Make your vote count

So please make your vote count, and make time on 2 May 2019, to vote in your local elections.

Polling stations

Polling stations will be open from 7.00am in the morning until 10.00pm at night. Details of your polling station can be found on your polling card. If you lose your polling card or are unsure where you should go to vote, please contact Wealden District Council on 01323 443322 for advice.

Election results

The results from the elections will be announced on Friday 3 May 2019, ready for the start of a new municipal year.

> Contact us through: admin@uckfieldtc.gov.uk @uckfieldtowncouncil

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Calendar Competition 2020

'Uckfield at Work, Rest and Play'

Entry forms available now!

For full terms and conditions visit www.uckfieldtc.gov.uk/Calendar-Competition-2020.aspx

The closing date of the competition is the 31 July 2019



THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

This meeting will be held in the Ashdown Room Civic Centre, Uckfield

on TUESDAY 9 APRIL 2019 at 7.00pm

This is a meeting for residents of Uckfield to ask questions of the Town Mayor and the Chairmen of the Council Committees

If you have any questions it would be helpful if you could let the Town Clerk know in advance

at Uckfield Town Council Civic Centre, Uckfield TN22 1AE

or Email: townclerk@uckfieldtc.gov.uk

Please join me and the other Councillors for coffee from 6.30pm

Councillor Spike Mayhew Town Mayor

LAST MONTH IN YOUR COUNCIL

Starting a refill campaign in Uckfield

Members of Full Council have agreed to install a water fountain in the foyer of the Civic Centre. This would run off mains water and provide a clean source of drinking water for members of the public to refill their drink bottles.



Members of the public can download an app on their mobile devices called 'Refill' and find free water sources on the go. Our aim is that the Town Council can join the Refill scheme and become a key refill station in the Uckfield area. The intention of this campaign is to reduce the use of plastic bottles. It has been quoted that 'if just one in ten British people refilled their water bottles once a week, we would have 340 million fewer bottles a year in circulation' (Refill campaign).

Considering options for Ridgewood Village Hall

Members were presented with a report from the Chair of the Ridgewood Village Hall Committee who asked for support in finding funding for the proposed extension and refurbishment of the Village Hall.

It is anticipated that to complete the full extension and refurbishment will cost in the region of £300k. The Ridgewood Village Hall Committee have held a number of fundraising events to raise money for the works, and have made contact with key businesses working in the Uckfield area to assist with the rebuild.

The Town Clerk has been tasked with exploring the options available to the Town Council and to consider whether it is possible to provide any form of financial contribution.

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Full Council agendas and minutes can be seen at Uckfield Library. If you wish

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your question beforehand to allow a full response to be given at the meeting.

All questions should be directed to the Town Clerk admin@uckfieldtc.gov.uk

COMING NEXT MONTH

- A new electoral year
- Parkrun
- Sporting Facilities in Uckfield