



# THE UCKFIELD VOICE

## COUNCILLOR MESSAGE

### AT WORK IN THE COMMUNITY

by Cllr. Jackie Love

We moved to Uckfield almost 18 years ago and immediately fell in love with it. We loved the beautiful area it sits in and were blown away by the amazing community feeling the town has. Within days people were introducing themselves, asking if we needed anything and guiding us around the services and shops within the town. It was very heart warming and made us as a family feel wanted and cared for.

I hope through my work within the Council and groups I am involved with (UBCS, Church Coombe Residents Association and Celebrate Uckfield) I can pass on this kindness to others who already live here and those that move to our amazing town and the community that surrounds us.

I am a Councillor for Uckfield North, however I do have a circle of friends within the whole of the town. Through my work with the Uckfield Bonfire and Carnival Society I get to meet many others throughout the town at events and of course selling programmes!

I am honoured to be the Chair of the Society and this year we celebrate 190 years of activity in the community. We hope everyone comes out and



Sussex Bonfire Pics

joins us in our celebrations; whether that's watching everyone parade through the town and showing them your appreciation, or taking part through schools, groups, families, businesses, fellow societies

and groups. We have to thank the shop keepers that started the society and those that have championed hard over the years to ensure we continue this incredible part of Sussex history.

Through all the societies in East Sussex an amazing amount of money is raised for many charities within the community that need our support to continue their services and care. Through all your support by putting monies in the collecting buckets we were able to donate £3800 to different groups from last year's celebrations.

Our motto; 'We Burn for Charity', is not just for the society, it is for our community to work together and to support each other.



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# UCKFIELD TOWN COUNCIL GRANTS 2018 – 2019

## UCKFIELD TOWN COUNCIL



### GRANTS 2018/2019

for  
Uckfield voluntary organisations.

Application forms can be downloaded  
from [www.uckfieldtc.gov.uk](http://www.uckfieldtc.gov.uk)  
or  
are available by applying to:

**Uckfield Town Council  
Civic Centre  
Uckfield**

**East Sussex TN22 1AE**

**Tel: 01825 762774**

**Email: [linda@uckfieldtc.gov.uk](mailto:linda@uckfieldtc.gov.uk)**

#### CLOSING DATE:

**Friday 25th August 2017**

After which date the Council would be  
unable to consider applications.

Uckfield Town Council, at its discretion and subject to available funding, provides grants and general support to small local groups promoting community life in Uckfield.

Local organisations that fulfil the criteria may apply for a grant from the Town Council. In 2017/18 grants totalled £36,950 and were shared between 18 local organisations.

Application packs are available from the Town Council Office, Civic Centre, Uckfield or by phoning 01825 762774. Alternatively an application pack can be downloaded from the 'Community Tab' on our web site [www.uckfieldtc.gov.uk](http://www.uckfieldtc.gov.uk). The full criteria required to be eligible to apply can be found on page 4 of the application form.

The deadline for completed applications is 25th August 2017.

The Finance sub-committee meeting, to decide upon those granted funds, will take place on 13th September 2017 at 6.30pm. Organisations are advised to send a representative along to attend this meeting. Successful applicants receive their grants in May 2018 with payment of the second half of the grant in October 2018 for those awarded in excess of £1000.

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**5 AUGUST 2017 10AM TO 8PM**

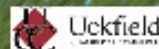
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# SEE WHAT'S ON YOUR DOORSTEP

by Cllr. Paul Meakin

It is said that “regular walking is one of the best forms of exercise”. In Uckfield we are very lucky to have the ideal places to walk and enjoy the peace and beauty of nature and the world around us, right on our doorsteps.

August is a great time to start to explore these places for walks during the holidays; children's adventures, walking your dog, listening to the birds or just strolling away from the bustle of everyday life.

The Town Council over many years have made it a priority to protect the areas of special environmental interest; creating our Local Nature Reserves, protecting ancient woodland and other wooded areas. All these sites are dotted across Uckfield providing easy access for walkers.

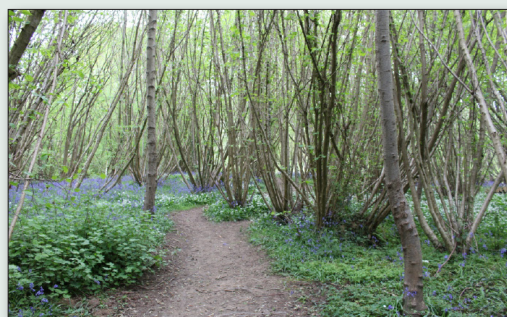
Take the time to enjoy the beauty of the natural spaces we have in Uckfield. Recommended places to visit are;

## Hempstead Meadows Local Nature Reserve



Main entrances from the Waitrose Car Park and Hempstead Meadow playing field.

## Nightingale Wood



Entrance form Bullfinch Gardens, Ridgewood.

## West Park Local Nature Reserve



Main entrance and parking at the top of Princes Close. Entrances also at Hart Close and Egles Grove.

## Boothlands Wood



Entrance from New Barn Lane or through the back of Victoria Park.

## The Millennium Green



Main entrance beyond Ridgewood Recreation Ground, off New Road.



# LAST MONTH IN YOUR COUNCIL

The Environment and Leisure Committee considered topics for a partnership meeting taking place in July with the County Council. Topics included the need to review speed restrictions across the whole of the town, not just the High Street. Road safety was a pressing concern, and particularly near to the schools in Downsvew Crescent where parked cars, high volumes of traffic and the loss of the school crossing patrol person had made the area increasingly difficult for pedestrians. Members were also interested in finding out more about Speed Indication Devices and would be requesting further information from the County Council on how this initiative could be run by volunteers on the access corridors into the town.

The Committee agreed to hold an Allotment conference in the early part of September. Allotment holders would be notified shortly of the details and format of the event.

Members approved the draft annual return and financial statements for the year ending 31st March 2017 at Full Council. The Council had received a good internal audit and members recognised the good work of staff in ensuring that the Council's financial procedures remained sound year on year.

Members of the Town Council supported the intentions of the East Sussex Against Scams Partnership and agreed to sign up to the charter, to help campaign and reduce the impact of scams on residents.

Parking issues were also on the agenda, with members adding to a list of hotspots across the town, and typical behaviour seen by residents in relation to illegal or inconsiderate parking. The issues recorded have since been passed to Wealden District Council as part of their district wide review into parking.

The Town Council's annual Road Safety day in June was a great success again this year. 425 pupils, from years three and four, and staff from 11 local primary schools attended. A lot was learned and everyone had a great time.

## ALLOTMENT HOLDERS



**ALLOTMENT CONFERENCE**  
**7th SEPTEMBER 2017**

**7.00pm, ASHDOWN ROOM**  
**CIVIC CENTRE, UCKFIELD**

**TEA AND COFFEE FROM 6.45pm**  
Please use this opportunity to raise any questions or concerns, it would be helpful if you could submit them in advance to: Uckfield Town Council, Civic Centre, Uckfield, TN22 1AE  
or  
e-mail: [angela@uckfieldtc.gov.uk](mailto:angela@uckfieldtc.gov.uk)  
*We do hope that you will attend*

# UPCOMING MEETINGS

Agendas are posted on the Town Council website [www.uckfieldtc.gov.uk](http://www.uckfieldtc.gov.uk) in PDF format, and are also posted on notice boards throughout the Town. Full Council agendas and minutes can also be seen at the Uckfield Library.

Meetings are held in the Council Chamber on the first floor of The Civic Centre, Uckfield and start at 7.00pm (unless otherwise stated). If you wish to ask a question at a meeting, on items on the agenda, it is advisable to submit your question beforehand to allow a full response to be given at the meeting. All questions should be directed to the Town Clerk. Please email [admin@uckfieldtc.gov.uk](mailto:admin@uckfieldtc.gov.uk) or call the Council offices tel: 01825 762774.

## AUGUST

14th	-	PLANS
21st	-	ENVIRONMENT & LEISURE
29th	-	GENERAL PURPOSES

## SEPTEMBER

4th	-	PLANS
11th	-	FULL COUNCIL
13th	-	FINANCE GRANTS
25th	-	PLANS