

UCKFIELDVOICE

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MESSAGE FROM THE NEW DEPUTY MAYOR, JACKIE LOVE

Wow! What a shock, however, at the same time an incredible honour and privilege in being voted to be this wonderful town of Uckfield's Deputy Mayor.

As I have said on many occasions with friends and family; this town is an incredible, kind and caring community. We see it daily, especially through social media in supporting our food bank, charities and each other, finding lost property or beloved pets and doing everything you can to find the owner. Really you are all amazing folk!

I hope, in this role, I can show a wider community how caring, and hard-working you are which will hopefully bring greater support to our town. I will attend as many groups and events that I can along with our new Mayor Cllr Spike Mayhew. We aim to be at as many events as possible.

We will all have to work with each other to welcome new residents once the Ridgewood Farm development starts to be occupied. The village of Ridgewood is making a start by extending the village hall to provide improved opportunities and facilities.

We have some incredible events held in our town, to name but a few; The Festival, Weald on the Field, Bonfire and Carnival, Holy Cross Church's Christmas Trees,



Late Night Shopping, various sports events and groups which all can bring everyone into the community. We believe by you joining in and supporting these events it makes it easier for us to work together for Uckfield.

Spike and I will work to encourage further involvement from the community to attend all the many events which the Town has in its annual calendar. We look forward to meeting you all.

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

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CALENDAR COMPETITION 2019

Calling Uckfield amateur photographers to enter our photographic calendar competition 2019 themed 'The Spirit of Uckfield'

What captures the 'Spirit of Uckfield' for you? Let your imagination flow and your finger start clicking.

The successful photographers will have the recognition of seeing their photographs in print and the chance to win first, second or third place prizes of a One4all Post Office gift card to the value of £50, £35 and £20 respectively. Download an entry form at:

www.uckfieldtc.gov.uk/Calendar-Competition-2019.aspx

Entries in digital format along with an entry form should be send by post to: Uckfield 2019 Competition, Uckfield Town Council, Civic Centre, Uckfield TN22 1AE



or email to: admin@uckfieldtc.gov.uk

CLOSING DATE: 31 July 2018

The calendar will be delivered to all households in Uckfield during November 2018.

UCKFIELD TOWN COUNCIL GRANTS

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 2018/19 grants totalled £41,285 and were shared between 18 local organisations. The full criteria can be found on page four of the application form.

Application packs are now available from the Town Council Office or by phoning 01825 762774. Alternatively, an application pack can be downloaded www.uckfieldtc.gov.uk/Town-Council-Grants-2019-2020.aspx.

All applications will be decided upon at the Finance Sub-Committee meeting on 12 September 2018 at 6.30pm. Organisations should send a representative along to attend this meeting. Successful applicants receive their grants in May 2019 with payment of the second half of the grant in October 2019 for those awarded in excess of £1000.





"Join us on Luxford Field from 10am to 8pm for a day of wonderful local produce, sensational street food, pop up bars & live music"

*UCKFIELD *SATURDAY 4 AUGUST 2018

LIVE MUSIC



POP UP BARS ARTISAN PRODUCE

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WEALD ON THE FIELD BY CLLR DONNA FRENCH

'Weald on the Field' started in a small way in 2016 as one of many events hosted by the Town Council led 'Uckfield is Open' group. Due to its success, the event was repeated in 2017 with help from, amongst others; the Chamber of Commerce, Wealden District Council and Food Rocks.

It's back, bigger and even better!

Luxford Field will again be full of mouth watering delights, and rocking to some amazing local musicians. The evening will culminate with the sound of Tom Fitzpatrick and his band.

Children's entertainment is extra special this year and the Uckfield Farmers' market will also be joining the festival atmosphere on Luxford Field.

There's still time for local businesses to get involved with sponsorship opportunities or booking a free spot in the **'Biz Box'** area on the day. A fantastic chance to showcase your products or services. For more information email townclerk@uckfieldtc.gov.uk

LAST MONTH IN YOUR COUNCIL

Our new Mayor and Deputy Mayor have been busy attending an assortment of events as the town commences its fantastic calendar of activities over the summer months

Our councillors and staff continue to deliver and support a number of key projects within the town. The office staff have been fine tuning the council's policies and procedures in the wake of the General Data Protection Regulations. It involves reviewing the information that the Town Council collects and holds, in line with its retention schedule. This won't mean any changes to you as a local resident, so don't worry. But guite rightly it is an important time for organisations to stop and think!

It means reviewing the information we collect when dealing with enquiries, making sure we only collect



the information we need when we ask you for information and reviewing how we store that information. We will be receiving support from an external company, as we make adjustments to the new regulations. Together with this we had previously organised an information session for community groups in the town, to assist them in understanding the new requirements.

A Privacy Policy has been placed on the Town Council website and a policy will be added to our new Civic Centre website which is due to be launched very soon, so watch this space!

UPCOMING MEETINGS

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

| 9 JULY | - GENERAL PURPOSES | |
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| 16 JULY | – PLANS | |
| 23 JULY | - ENVIRONMENT & LEISURE | |
| 30 JULY | - FULL COUNCIL | |
| 6 AUGUST | – PLANS | |
| 20 AUGUST | - GENERAL PURPOSES | |
| 28 AUGUST | – PLANS | |
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All questions should be directed to the Town Clerk. Please email: admin@uckfieldtc.gov.uk

COMING NEXT MONTH

- Gatwick Airport
- Open spaces