



DRAFT Annual Plan 2021/22 PRIORITIES

PEOPLE		PROVISION	
1	<p>COMMUNITY GRANTS</p> <p>We will award up to £47,000 of community grant funding to local groups and charitable organisations for the period 2021/22</p>	6	<p>NEW FINANCE</p> <p>We will look to change from our existing cheque payment method, by two signatories, to a dual authorisation BACs payment model and digitalise our purchase order and invoicing procedures.</p>
2	<p>PUBLIC EVENTS IN THE TOWN</p> <p>We will work alongside the local business community and local community groups to deliver two free public events within the town; Weald on the Field and Uckfield Revival.</p>	7	<p>NEW BOOKING SYSTEM</p> <p>We will look to install a new booking system for the internal management of booking enquiries for the Town Council's rooms and open spaces.</p>
PLACE			
3	<p>IMPROVEMENTS TO OPEN SPACES</p> <p>We will undertake repairs and improvements to a number of our open spaces including installing new signage, replacing play area surfacing, investigating drainage issues and upgrading a number of litter bins.</p>	8	<p>ROAD SAFETY</p> <p>We will work with partner organisations such as Sussex Police and East Sussex Highways to re-establish community speedwatch initiative(s) in the town and explore the installation of a speed reduction device.</p>
4	<p>GRASS VERGE CUTTING</p> <p>We will continue to contribute to the costs of the East Sussex County Council's grass verge cutting contract to retain a good standard of service, and ensure visibility is maintained on pavements and highways.</p>	9	<p>TOWN COUNCIL BUILDINGS</p> <p>We will review our older buildings, undertake repairs and improvements and investigate how they could be better utilised to meet the needs of hirers and local community groups.</p>
5	<p>CLIMATE CHANGE</p> <p>We will investigate ways in which we can reduce our impact on climate change by reviewing our contracts, buildings and equipment, managing our land for nature, and minimising waste:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - looking to replace at least one grounds vehicle; - reviewing energy saving measures in our buildings (Foresters Hall); - tree for a tree planting scheme; 	10	<p>NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN</p> <p>We will support the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group to prepare a draft Uckfield Neighbourhood Plan ready for submission to the local planning authority.</p>