



NEW COUNCILLOR APPOINTED

Daniel Marvell has been appointed as a new councillor for Uckfield North following the recent by-election.

Dan grew up in Uckfield, attending Holy Cross School and Uckfield College and has been active in Uckfield's community life since he was 16. He was involved in a successful petition to stop cuts to the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme locally.

Youngest ever member

Previously at the age of 18, following a by-election in 2018, he was elected to serve on Uckfield Town Council. At that time he assisted with the reopening of the youth centre. Dan was one of the founding Directors of the Uckfield



Community Fridge.

Dan loves meeting residents so perhaps you will meet him soon!

WEALD ON THE FIELD 2022 - HEADLINE ACT



Brighton based singer/songwriter Max White will be headlining Weald on the Field on 13 August.

Max has toured, supporting Rag'n'Bone Man, where he performed to sold out

venues. In July he was on the bill at the Ardingly Showground, again supporting Rory, but also alongside Eurovision sensation Sam Ryder!

Max describes his material as alt-pop and he always has a great interaction with his audience, especially when performing his debut release 'Sugar'.

The music for this year's Weald on the Field will have something for everyone and the full line-up can be found overleaf!

Contact us through:

admin@uckfieldtc.gov.uk



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WEALD ON THE FIELD 2022

Join us on Saturday 13 August on the Luxford Field, for the Weald on the Field event. It's an amazing day of local produce, street food, pop-up bars, live music and entertainment for all ages. There's a really chilled, family-friendly, festival atmosphere, and you can come and go as you like, or stay all day!

Entry for the public is FREE.

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LUXFORD FIELD UCKFIELD

SATURDAY 13 AUGUST 2022 11AM - 7PM

LIVE MUSIC ON THE AIRSTREAM STAGE

12:00 Pentacle Drummers

12:30 Megan Tweed

13:30 The Management Duo

15:00 Iron Tyger

16:30 Fat Freddie & The Queens

18:00 Max White & Band



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 *LOCAL CRAFTS *FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT





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LOOKING AFTER THE ENVIRONMENT

Uckfield Town Council's grounds team and ranger have been working hard to make our open spaces as environmentally friendly as they can.

Making room for wild flowers

You may have noticed that the team has been actively avoiding cutting areas of wild flowers. The banks around Victoria Pleasure Ground were left uncut and were full of wildflowers attracting many insect and pollinators. Among other species we have seen red clover, oxeye daisies, white clover and creeping buttercup flourish in these areas. In Snatts Road cemetery we introduced a mowing rota over a four week span to allow for four different stages of wild flower growth. We have used this grass cutting rotation in several areas to promote wild flower growth. Where possible, wild borders have been widened and paths have been cut through them. Apart from the obvious wildlife benefits, this practice has achieved the advantage of reducing the amount of fossil fuels needed for cutting.

Looking after the wildlife

In Snatts Road Cemetery we have left 'wildlife corridors' to allow reptiles, amphibians and small mammals to move about safely and easily. The team has also been joining up dormouse wildlife corridors within the reserves with the introduction of new hedging and the diversion of footpaths. They are continuing to monitor wildlife activity and conduct regular reptile surveys.

Ensuring the future of our trees

Managing the trees and woodland areas within Uckfield is an important part of improving the local environment. We have reinstated coppicing cycles in all the woodlands and we are allowing areas to regenerate into woodland

through succession planting. We are growing on and restocking the woodlands with locally provenanced tree seeds – an important and essential way to keep imported diseases at bay – and will use these to expand Boothland wood. We have registered our veteran trees with the Ancient Tree Inventory – an initiative by the Woodland Trust to map the oldest and most important trees in the UK. We have been re-routing some footpaths to allow for the retention of these valuable veteran trees.

Environment at the forefront

The team are always conscious of how their work can affect the local environment and are constantly coming up with ways to improve the impact they have. We are slowly introducing more electrically powered tools to reduce our reliance on fossil fuels. We now collect and compost our own grass cuttings and are creating our own woodchip piles. We will keep you updated with our progress.



LAST MONTH IN YOUR COUNCIL

Accounts for year ending 31 March 2022

On 27 June, members approved the town council's draft annual governance and accountability return, and financial statements for the year ending 31 March 2022.

Each year our accounts and financial statements must be examined by an independent internal auditor, and we work with accountants to prepare the year end accounts. Once this information is prepared it is placed out for publication and submitted to an independent external auditor to review. Despite a very difficult couple of years financially with the pandemic, we are pleased to say we achieved a sound set of accounts.

For further information visit:
<https://www.uckfieldtc.gov.uk/your-council/council-finance/>

Transport for the South East Consultation

Transport for South East is a regional body working in partnership with the 16 local authorities for transport related matters in this area. Rather than looking at specific areas in

isolation, it looks at the whole of the South East and the connections and linkages between areas. The aim of the body is to determine what transport infrastructure is needed to boost the region's economy.

They are currently consulting on their draft Strategic Investment Plan which makes a compelling case for investors and sets out their ambitions. The deadline for feedback is 12 September 2022. To take a look and find out more, visit:

<https://transportforsoutheast.uk/engagementhq.com/transport-for-the-south-east-strategic-investment-plan-consultation>



UPCOMING MEETINGS

Agendas and minutes can be seen at Uckfield Library and on the town council website. Meetings will now be

held in person either in the Weald Hall or Council Chamber at the Civic Centre. All meetings start at 7pm.

MON 1 AUG	– PLANS
MON 22 AUG	– PLANS
MON 5 SEP	– FULL COUNCIL
MON 12 SEP	– PLANS
WED 14 SEP	– ALLOTMENT CONFERENCE
MON 19 SEP	– ENVIRONMENT AND LEISURE
MON 26 SEP	– GENERAL PURPOSES

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

COMING NEXT MONTH

- Weald on the Field in pictures
- Plans committee update
- Allotment conference

