

**In this area of the country, we have three levels of local government :**

- **County Council (East Sussex)**
- **District or Borough Council (Wealden District)**
- **Parish or Town Council (Uckfield Town)**



**A resident's council tax bill in Wealden district is roughly split as follows (can change slightly year to year):**

- East Sussex County Council (71%)**
- Wealden District Council (10%)**
- Sussex Police and Crime Commissioner (9%)**
- East Sussex Fire Authority (5%)**
- Your local town or parish council (average 5%)**



# East Sussex County Council

- Highways maintenance (road repairs, verge cutting, pavements, most street lighting) and Highway emergencies;
- Winter gritting;
- Rights of Way;
- Public transport;
- Adult Social Care  
(*carers, services for older people, learning disabilities, physical/sensory impairments*);
- Children's services (*child protection, support for families*);
- Education;
- Libraries;
- Trading standards
- Registration of births and deaths;
- Waste disposal (*including household waste recycling centres*).



# Wealden District Council

- Council Tax collection and business rates;
- Local planning as your local planning authority;
- Development and Building control;
- Waste collection and street cleansing;
- Environmental health (*including licensing, environmental protection – air quality, noise, food safety, health and safety and currently Covid safety*)
- Housing advice and homelessness;
- Housing benefits;
- Leisure Centres;
- Wealden car parks;
- Supporting economic development, local businesses and tourism;
- Community toilet scheme;
- Conserving biodiversity assets, conservation areas and designated sites.



# Uckfield Town Council

Uckfield Town Council owns and either directly manages or maintains, or oversees contracts and lease agreements for:

- 10 buildings plus storage garages – including the Civic Centre and Luxfords Restaurant;
- Snatts Road Cemetery;
- 16 plots of land/open spaces, which require ongoing maintenance
- 2 nature reserves
- 8 play areas
- a pond
- 7 recreation grounds including sports pitches which have to be prepared for fixtures
- 4 ancient woodlands (including extensions)
- 6 allotment sites
- 70 litter bins on Town Council own land
- 192 street lights which are looked after by ES Highways but we have to fund repairs, maintenance and identify ongoing work programmes and priorities;
- 7 bus shelters plus new ones in High Street;
- the Town Centre CCTV system with 6 cameras
- Floral displays and hanging baskets
- Community grants programme
- Festive lights

