

## UCKFIELDVOICE

EDITION 247

#### **COUNCILLORS SOAPBOX**

## THE RISE IN PAVEMENT PARKIN

September 2023

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In 2016, Uckfield High Street underwent improvements to provide wider pavements, new trees, street furniture and a resurfaced highway. Sadly over the last two years since the pandemic, it has become noticeable that 'pavement parking' throughout the town and residential areas has increased. Some of the larger vehicles are making business deliveries, but others are shoppers or people collecting and delivering takeaways etc, etc.

#### Inconvenient and hazardous

Parking on double yellow lines is illegal. Parking on pavements is anti-social. Allowing such parking to go unchecked creates a hindrance to pedestrians particularly those with mobility issues, wheelchairs, scooters, prams, buggies. It is inconvenient and hazardous to other vehicles.





#### Misuse of on-street parking bays

It is also apparent that some of the vehicles parked in the on-street parking bays, are those working in businesses in the High Street, which then restricts access to these bays for those shopping.

#### Free car parking

Uckfield is fortunate to have various FREE car parks throughout the town. Continual inconsiderate parking will damage the surface of the pavements (already there are a number of loose kerbstones) and hasten the need for repair - the cost of which will fall on the council tax payer.

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

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- Volunteer Fair
- Allotment Conference
- September Job Fair

## **RISE IN PAVEMENT PARKING (CONT.)**

#### **Eroding grass verges**

On many minor and secondary roads, pavement parking within the town has severely impacted grass verges. This has caused a number of them to be completely destroyed. We all should be aware that parking on the pavement is wrong and is a potential danger, risk and inconvenience to others.



## **Volunteer Fair**



Join us SATURDAY 23 SEPTEMBER

At the Civic Centre Uckfield 10am - 2pm Free entry

#### SEE WHAT'S HAPPENING!

Learn about local charities Types of volunteering Meet new people BRING THE FAMILY HAVE FUN HELP OTHERS!



www.uckfieldvolunteer.org.uk 01825 760019 office@uckfieldvolunteer.org.uk

## ALLOTMENT CONFERENCE 2023

The allotment conference is a really useful get-together so please come along and use this opportunity to raise any questions or concerns you may have. At the conference, the winners of this year's allotment competition will be announced and presented with their certificates and prizes.



## Uckfield Town Council Allotment Conference

## Wednesday 20 September 2023 7.00pm Weald Hall, Civic Centre Tea and coffee from 6.45pm

## Don't miss out!

The annual Allotment Conference is your opportunity to meet your fellow allotment holders from across Uckfield, raise any questions or concerns.

Please send any questions or concerns in advance so we can make sure we have a response for you on the night email: rachel@uckfieldtc.gov.uk post: Rachel Newton, Uckfield Town Council, Civic Centre, Uckfield TN22 1AE

## **THIS SEPTEMBER**

# **JOBS FAIR**

**Thursday 7 September** 

10am - 12pm - at the Civic Centre Uckfield

#### 20+ Employers & Community Support Groups

Bring your CV along and learn more about:-

- Armed Forces
- Hospitality
- National Careers Service
- Recruitment Agencies
- Civil Service
- Care
- Apprenticeships

- Retail
- Volunteering
- Agriculture
- SECAMBS/NHS
- Training
- Construction
- Study/Qualifications
- Local Government



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## **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

Agendas and minutes can be viewed on the town council website. Meetings

website. Meetings Weald Hall or Council Chamber at the
PLANS Civic Centre. All meetings start at 7pm.
FULL COUNCIL All questions should be directed to the Town Clerk at:

admin@uckfieldtc.gov.uk

#### COMING NEXT MONTH

- Weald on the Field in pictures
- Events in October

#### MON 11 SEP MON 18 SEP - FULL COUNCIL - ALLOTMENT CONFERENCE WED 20 SEP MON 25 SEP - PLANS - ENVIRONMENT AND LEISURE MON 9 OCT MON 16 OCT PI ANS \_ MON 23 OCT - GENERAL PURPOSES - FULL COUNCIL MON 30 OCT