



From Sevenoaks Town Council for the Community of Sevenoaks

Winter/Spring 2010/2011

Message from The Town Mayor

As I write I am about two thirds of the way though my term as Town Mayor, which seems a good time to say a big thank you to all those who have been kind enough to invite my wife and I to their functions. In all, I suppose we have attended about 240 functions either supporting local organisations or representing our town elsewhere in what has been a fascinating year.

One of the recent highlights was leading the parade when switching on the Christmas Lights. The Town Council supports the lights in financial and other ways, the hope being that people will be attracted to our beautiful town and help it prosper. The parade included the stars of Jack and the Beanstalk and I am told there were up to 300 school children behind me as well. Also, there were an estimated 3000 people in the town for the event. Thanks to all who opened their shops late, Performed, and helped with the organisation.

Another highlight was Jack and the Beanstalk which was a tremendous and very enjoyable success; and shows how well established the Stag has become since the Town Council took on the lease.

I look forward to my remaining months as Mayor with enthusiasm. I see our support of local organisations as one of the most important parts of the job, so please contact the Town Council office if you feel that the support of the Mayor, by his presence, can help at a function.

Mayoral Civic Event April 2011

Saturday 23rd April 2011—St George's Day
Gala Evening at the Stag Community Arts
Centre

Cllr Simon Raikes
Town Mayor 2010/2011

Town Council Offices
Bradbourne Vale Road
Sevenoaks
TN13 3QG

Tel: 01732 459953

Email: Council@sevenoakstown.gov.uk

Sevenoaks Vine Bandstand

Sevenoaks Town Council Presents You with a series of Open Air Concerts.



19th June
Invicta Concert Band
26th June
Sevenoaks & Tonbridge Concert Band
3rd July
Oxted Band
10th July
London Saxophone Choir
17th July
Kent Police Band
24th July
Wadhurst Brass Band
31st July
Cranbrook Town Band
7th August
Second Wind
14th August
Casa Bella
21st August
Brighton & Hove City Brass Band
28th August
Stour Valley Jazzmen

Enjoy lazy Summer Sunday afternoons here at the Bandstand

Performances kick off at 3pm
And the events are completely free.

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Enjoy Good music, and why not take a picnic too?

Soundwaves



Youth Bands Night

£2 Advanced
£4 On the night
UNDER 18s ONLY

The Plaza Suite
London Road
Sevenoaks
01732 450175

Concerts arranged for the following dates so far

11th February
4th March
1st April
13th May
3rd June
1st July
5th August
2nd September
7th October
4th November
2nd December

bands interested in performing
should contact Linda Larter
linda.larter@stagssevenoaks.co.uk
01732 451548



Sevenoaks Town Council would like to thank the following traders for their support for the 2010 Christmas lights

Alan Streek Menswear	L M Funerals t/a Doves	Sevenoaks Hearing Care Centre
Andrews Estate Agents	Funerals Sevenoaks	Sevenoaks School
Audi	Leslie Warren Opticians	Sheffords
Baldwins Travel	Loch Fyne	Spec Savers
Bea Couture	Lorimers	Strada
Brasserie Gerard	Oaks Spice	Strutt & Parker
Britannia	Opus	The Chocolate Shop
Chesterton Humberts	Pantiles Cameras	The Compact Disc Shop
County Perry Insurance	Paydens Ltd	The Full Monte
Fingz	Photovision Services	The Granville School
Francis Chappell & Sons	Rajbari	The Hardware Centre
Francis Jones Jewellers	Riverside Insurance Brokers Ltd	The New Beacon School
Great Haul of China	Sargeants	Toni & Guy
Heritage Window Company	Savills	Valentina Fine Foods
Kent Adult	Sencio	Walmthamstow Hall Ltd
Education Services	Sevenoaks Bookshop	Warners Solicitors
Knole House Furnishers	Sevenoaks Computer Shop	William J Wilkinson Opticians

South East in Bloom

Following on from previous years of much admired hanging baskets, Sevenoaks Town Centre is being entered into the South East in Bloom Competition this summer. The Town Council would be delighted to hear from local businesses and groups who would like to participate in this exciting floral project either through sponsorship or manpower.

*Can you help to achieve our success through working together to enhance our beautiful town?
If so, please email council@sevenoakstown.gov.uk*

Sevenoaks Town Centre Partnership

Sevenoaks Town Council is spearheading the creation of a Town Centre Management partnership to market our unique town and encourage greater visitor numbers.

If your business, service, group or society has equipment, knowledge or skills you are willing to share and would like to be involved from the outset of this innovative scheme for Sevenoaks, then please contact: planning@sevenoakstown.gov.uk

HELP FOR HEROES CONCERT

25TH JUNE 2011 @ 7:30PM



Eynsford Concert Band
Sevenoaks Community Centre
Cramptons Road
Sevenoaks

Tickets £10
Concessions £8

The Stag Box Office
01732 450175



Organised by Sevenoaks Town Council



2011/2012 Budget

The Town Council in preparing its budget (Precept) for 2011 / 2012 has borne in mind the need to continue to provide good local facilities, supporting the local community including businesses and keeping the budget (and therefore the rates) to a minimum increase, bearing in mind the current economic climate.

It should also be noted that Sevenoaks Town Council does not receive any government grant or any portion of the Non Domestic Rates.

In these difficult times the Town Council has resolved to keep the budget (Precept) unchanged. In addition all front line services have been maintained, including the grants to the Stag Community Arts Centre and the Sevenoaks Summer Festival.

Taking all of the above into account the Sevenoaks Town Council budget (Precept) for 2011 / 2012 has been set as follows:

Precept	% increase	Per average Band D home per annum
£715,000	0 %	£77.49

Linda Larter MBE
Chief Executive / Town Clerk
Sevenoaks Town Council
01732 459953

Sevenoaks Youth Café

Sevenoaks Youth Council is fund raising to create a Youth Café at the Stag Community Arts. The Youth Café will be a safe interactive meeting place open to all young people in Sevenoaks District.

If your business, group, association or charity would like to be involved, the Youth Council would be delighted to hear from you. Contact: council@sevenoakstown.gov.uk

STAG - Sponsor a Seat Campaign

The Stag Community Arts Centre has launched a 'Sponsor a Seat' campaign to fund-raise for the refurbishment of the seats in the auditorium. The scheme will pay for the re-upholstery of 457 seats in line with planned improvements scheduled for completion by June.

The scheme is open to individuals, groups, schools and local businesses. Each plaque inscription will be prefixed with either: 'Sponsored by...', 'In memory of...' or 'A gift for...'

The cost of sponsoring a seat is £100 for an individual, community group or small business and £500 for a business with more than 25 employees. Donations can be gift aided if the relevant form is completed, providing additional funds for the Stag charity.

Linda Larter, Chief Executive of The Stag Community Arts Centre says:

"Already we have had offers for seat sponsorship from supporters, regular customers and local businesses. I think it's an innovative idea for people to see the names of loved ones remembered in this way. So many people have special memories of The Stag - it has played an important part in people's lives for decades. We are happy to provide an opportunity for the community to be acknowledged for their support."

Halls For Hire

**Business meeting?
Lecture?**

**Keep fit Class?
Wedding?**

We have a hall just right for you!

Call us on 01732 459953 or visit our website at:
www.sevenoakstown.gov.uk

Raleys Gym

**Children's Gymnastics
Toddler, Pre-school and Junior classes
Summer Term begins on 19 April 2011**

Raleys Gym; Plymouth Drive; Sevenoaks;
Email : raleysgym@sevenoakstown.gov.uk
Tel: 01732 458614
Web: www.sevenoakstown.gov.uk

What's On in & around Sevenoaks

**To find out visit the Sevenoaks Tourist Office
Stag Community Arts Centre
London Road
Sevenoaks
TN13 1ZZ**

**Tel: 01732 450305
Open Monday to Saturday.**

Want to have an event included?
Email: tic@sevenoakstown.gov.uk www.sevenoaksevents.com

Royal Wedding Celebrations

The Town Mayor will be unveiling an engraved bench dedicated to Prince William and Kate Middleton on the afternoon of the Royal Wedding on 29 April at 2.00pm in Vine Gardens. There will be a fete taking place in the Gardens organised by St Nicholas Church.

The Town Council would be delighted if you were able to come and join in these celebrations and entertainment for all the family



TOWN COUNCILLORS 2007 to 2011

	PARTY	ADDRESS	PHONE
EASTERN WARD			
Cllr Mrs S Camp	Lib Dem	36 The Crescent, Sevenoaks TN13 3QY	464674
Cllr A S Clayton	Lib Dem	75 Bayham Road, Sevenoaks TN13 3XA	451087
Cllr Mrs P C Walshe	Lib Dem	8 Crownfields, Sevenoaks TN13 1EF	454769
KIPPINGTON WARD			
Cllr A Eyre	Con	63 Brittains Lane, Sevenoaks, TN13 2JR	464865
Cllr R J Parry	Con	Burntwood Road, Sevenoaks TN13 1PT	461392
Cllr R L Piper	Con	3 Beaconfields, Sevenoaks TN13 2NH	455355
NORTHERN WARD			
Cllr J G Brigden	Lib Dem	44 Dartford Road, Sevenoaks TN13 3TE	740216
Cllr M Canet	Lib Dem	Holly Cottage, 29c Hollybush Lane, Sevenoaks TN13 3TJ	461397
Cllr P E Towell	Con	230 Seal Road, Sevenoaks TN15 OAA	459953
ST JOHNS WARD			
Cllr Mrs A E Dawson	Con	9 Camden Road, Sevenoaks TN13 3LY	457716
Cllr R Hogarth	Con	15 Church Field Cotts, Seal TN15 ODR	760325
Cllr S Raikes	Con	Beckets, 38 Wood- side Rd, Sevenoaks TN13 3HF	451707
TOWN WARD			
Cllr Mrs M A London	Con	18 Knole Way, Sevenoaks TN13 3RS	456327
Cllr J F London	Con	18 Knole Way, Sevenoaks TN13 3RS	456327
Cllr M G Short	Con	10 The Landway, Kemsing TN15 6TG	760263
WILDERNESSE WARD			
Cllr Mrs M E Crabtree	Con	Oakend, 17 Knole Rd, Sevenoaks TN13 3XH	461511

Functions & Facilities Provided By Sevenoaks Town Council

Precept

The Town Council's portion of the Council Tax for the financial year 2011/2012 is £715,000 equivalent to £77.49 per Band D house.

- ALLOTMENTS
- ARMED FORCES DAY TOWN SUPPORTERS
- BETHEL ROAD BURIAL GROUND
- BRITTAINS COMMON
- BRITTAINS LANE WOOD
- BUS SHELTERS (Dartford Road x2, St John's Hill x3, Bradbourne Vale Roadx1, London Roadx4, Seal Roadx1, Tonbridge Roadx1)
- CHRISTMAS TOWN CENTRE ILLUMINATIONS
- CIVIC FUNCTIONS
- CONSULTEES (Planning, Highways, etc.)
- FREE SUMMER CONCERTS @ THE VINE BANDSTAND
- GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATIONS twice yearly bids in by 1st February and 1st August
- GREATNESS PARK CEMETERY
- GREATNESS RECREATION GROUND & PLAYGROUND
- GRIT BINS
- HANGING BASKETS
- HILLINGDON RISE PLAY AREA
- HORSE TROUGHS (Old Police Station, Rheinbach Gardens, St Boltophs Road)
- THE GREEN, HILLINGDON RISE
- JUBILEE CLOCK (Old Market House)
- JUDD'S PIECE
- JULIANS MEADOW & PLAYGROUND
- KIPPINGTON MEADOW
- LAND AT LITTLEWOOD
- LAND AT TONBRIDGE ROAD
- LITTER BINS
- MIDLINGS WOOD
- MILLPOND WOOD
- MOUNT CLOSE OPEN SPACE & PLAYGROUND
- PLANTERS (The Shambles, Dorset Street, Pembroke Road, London Road, Buckhurst Lane)
- PONTOISE CLOSE OPEN SPACE & PLAYGROUND
- PUBLIC TOILETS (The Stag, The Vine, Lower St Johns)
- RALEYS CAR PARK
- RALEYS GYM
- RALEYS & KNOLE PADDOCK
- RHEINBACH GARDENS
- SEVENOAKS COMMON
- SEVENOAKS COMMUNITY CENTRE
- SEVENOAKS COMMUNITY ARTS CENTRE
- SEVENOAKS YOUTH COUNCIL
- STREET LIGHTS IN SOME UNADOPTED ROADS
- ST JOHNS TOILETS
- THE POUND
- TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE
- TOWN COUNCIL OFFICES / CHAMBER – Available for hire – meetings, conferences, and weddings
- TWINNING WITH RHEINBACH AND PONTOISE
- UPPER HIGH STREET GARDENS
- VARIOUS PUBLIC SEATS, LITTER BINS AND GRIT BINS
- VINE GARDENS (including Bandstand, Band Practice Room and Public Toilet)
- VINE CRICKET GROUND & PAVILION (including Tea Kiosk)
- VINE WASTE
- WAR MEMORIAL
- WEDDING FACILITIES at the Town Council
- WHITE HART BEECHES
- WOODLAND AT LETTER BOX LANE
- WOODSIDE ROAD OPEN SPACE

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