

Meeting chaired by Cllr Bob Todd, Chairman of Edenbridge Town Council

- EDENBRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL PRESENTATIONS
- GUEST SPEAKERS:
- News from Kent County Council County Cllr Margot McArthur
- Update on District matters Cllr Julia Thornton, Leader, Sevenoaks
 District Council
- Local Policing Community Safety Unit Inspector, Mark Stubberfield
- News from the office of Tom Tugendhat MP, Conor Dobbs
- Youth Club Services in Edenbridge Richard Dowling (HOUSE) and Anthony Shipwright (Eden Christian Trust Youth Group)
- Youth activities and more at Bridges Ron Sutton
- Edenbridge Rugby Club and youth teams Jerome Basdeo, Chairman
- Eden Valley Museum 2024 Alan Smart
- PUBLIC QUESTIONS



- Presentations will be given by each speaker
- There will be a Questions and Answers session at the end of the meeting (for up to 15 minutes)
- Questions that can't be answered tonight will be posted as part of a summary and answers on the Town Council's website. There is also a Questions box at the registration table if you prefer
- Sit back and enjoy the presentations

MEETING PROCEDURE

MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING

To receive the minutes from the Annual Town Meeting 20 March 2023



Your District Councillors:

Cllrs Angela Baker, Alan Layland (SDC Chairman), Margot McArthur, Jim Morgan

Kent County Councillor - Cllr Margot McArthur

Sevenoaks District Council Leader - Cllr Julia Thornton

Welcome to all the guest speakers. Also in attendance: Deputy Chief Executive & Chief Officer (Finance & Trading), Sevenoaks District Council - Adrian Rowbotham

INTRODUCTIONS

EDENBRIDGE TOWN COUNCILLORS

15 volunteer Councillors are elected every four years



Cllr Jon Aldridge



Cllr Angela Baker



Cllr Sarah Compton



Cllr Bill Cummings



Cllr Michael Gemmell Smith



Cllr Carey Jacques



Cllr Alan Layland



Cllr Margot McArthur



Cllr Stuart McGregor



Cllr Vince Parker



Cllr Angela Read



Cllr Michael Stockdale



Cllr Jeff Streets



Cllr Stephen Sumner



Cllr Bob Todd

EDENBRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL STAFF

TOWN COUNCIL

TOWN CLERK

(Caroline

OPEN SPACES OFFICER

(Vacant)

COMMUNITY WARDEN (Kevin McGovern)

Leet)
DEPUTY CLERK &
RESPONSIBLE FINANCE
OFFICER

(Lorraine Ganney)

MARKET OFFICER

(Guy Holden)

-ADMINISTRATION & PLANNING ASSISTANT

(Deborah Bond)

TOURISM ASSISTANT

(Lindsey Eaton)

COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER (Davina Miller)



EDENBRIDGE

TOWN COUNCIL

HEAD GROUNDSMAN &

BUILDINGS

(Craig Open)

GROUNDS TEAM

(Lance Thompsett,

Tony Saunders, Sean Rose,

Kai Day)

A LOOK AT THE PAST YEAR AND WHAT'S PLANNED FOR 2024

Councillor Angela Baker

EDENBRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL OWNS AND OR MANAGES



- 5 playgrounds
- 9 buildings and outbuildings (own/or maintain)
- 8 Open Spaces parks and greens
- Millennium Wood
- 2 ponds
- Over 550 trees maintained
- Hanging basket displays



- 4 Cemeteries and the Churchyard
- 246 Streetlights owned, plus maintains 2 for SDC
- 2 allotment sites
- Owns and maintains the sports pitches
- Provides and maintains street furniture, bins and benches



- Public toilets free use
- 2 car parks owns Market
 Yard; manages
 Leathermarket. Free Parking
- Council office facility 5 days a week, open to public Monday-Thursday
- In addition, work with SDC and the GSBT in partnership to manage the Town Field and Water Meadows.

COUNCIL ACTIVITY 2023/24

- 51 Council and Committee meetings in 2023
- Councillor attendance was 58%
- Planning Committee has made 131 planning recommendations, and one appeal response to SDC
- Councillors have attended in excess of 55 outside organisation meetings
- New Council in May 2023, plus newly co-opted councillors
- Responded to draft Local Plan regulation 18 consultation (2nd phase) and engaged a consultant
- Open spaces, such as parks and playgrounds, town facilities and cemeteries were maintained to high standards, including awards from: South and South East in Bloom Silver Gilt Awards for Stangrove Park and Edenbridge Cemetery; FA Kent football pitches "PitchPower Good" Award
- New additional seating, picnic benches and bins installed across our open spaces
- New Council branding and logo
- Monday Games Club for the over 55s to meet and chat with new people, helping to overcome loneliness and isolation. Weekly attendance averages 10-15 people. Also hosted a special afternoon tea by securing funding from the Better Together Community Fund
- Continued to support and develop the Thursday Market, helping promote the High Street, and organised summer activities for children and letters to Santa at Christmas
- Recruited the Council's first ever Apprentice to the Groundsteam as a Horticultural Operative Apprentice Level 2
- Recruited a new Community Warden
- Organised Coronation Big Lunch celebrations music, family activities, stalls and fun had by all at the Recreation Ground
- Rickards Hall improvements continue with new cooker and dishwasher
- Treated for and protected against wood-boring insects to the two listed buildings, Doggetts Barn and Church House, and to Rickards Hall

COUNCIL ACTIVITY 2023/24

- We continue to support the Food Bank by providing a space at Rickards Hall and storage area at the rear of Doggetts Barn.
- Building Bridges for a Dementia Friendly Edenbridge initiative continues
- Completed IT upgrade including transition to Microsoft SharePoint, and improved office efficiencies, including new public opening hours
- Continued quarterly bulky waste collections
- Ran Edenbridge's own gardening competition 'Ready Steady Grow'
- Funded four Family Fun days at Stangrove Park over the summer holidays
- Worked with local groups to facilitate the Remembrance Sunday parade
- Continued to manage 245 streetlights replaced six new streetlights and upgraded 30 lanterns to LEDs
- Installed four Electric Vehicle Charging points at Market Yard car park first public chargers in Edenbridge
- Continued to tackle dog-fouling and encourage responsible dog-walking. Also launched a community survey to gather local opinion and suggestions
- Worked with Sevenoaks Community Safety on anti-social behaviour issues; cleaned graffiti off council assets; organised litter pick sessions; speedwatch and monitored Speed Indicator Device information; PACT meetings
- Awarded £9290 in grants to local groups
- CIL awards to WI Hall for new stage lighting; Hever Primary School; St Paulinus Centre;
 Doctors Practice; New Memorial Health Centre



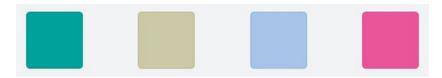


EDENBRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL

We introduced a new logo and brand identity shortly after the new Council started its term in May.

The old crest logo had become outdated; the new logo and colour palette has a more simple, contemporary feel that will help the Council reflect a consistent and professional image while demonstrating accountability.





New brand identity & logo







We helped Edenbridge celebrate in style by organising a Big Coronation Lunch at the Recreation Ground on Sunday 7 May.

There was live music and entertainment, family activities, food trucks and stalls.



Coronation of King Charles



The Council won two Silver Gilt awards at the South and South East in Bloom Awards for Stangrove Park and Edenbridge Cemetery.

Kent FA also awarded us a "Good Pitch" assessment for all five football pitches at the Recreation Ground, which means we can access funding to help maintain our standard.



Open spaces awards







The Town Council has been managing the Thursday Market since May 2021. During this time it has attracted a range of stallholders and maintained a regular number of stalls (up to 15 each week), as well as Lloyds Mobile Bank. We run promotions throughout the year to encourage people to visit the market and High Street, and have improved our signage and banners.



Edenbridge Market

Thursdays, 8am to 2pm, Market Yard Car Park







We were able to secure funding from the Better Together Community Mobilisation grant from Sevenoaks District Council so that members of our Monday Games Club could enjoy a classical afternoon tea. Also invited were other residents in the community who have found their network of friends have changed since the Covid-19 pandemic, and so this provided them an opportunity do something nice after the difficulties of the past few years, and to connect with some new faces.

Games Club afternoon tea







Four 7kWh charging points for electric vehicles are now available for use at Market Yard car park, Edenbridge. It has been made possible thanks to a partnership project through Kent Parish Networks, with funding from Kent County Council, a government grant and a contribution from Edenbridge Town Council CIL funds (money we have received from developers.)

Electric vehicle charging points





Each year the Council budgets for vandalism. This past year 2023-24 has seen an significant increase, resulting in the budget increase from £3,000 to in excess of £7,500.

In addition, staff time has been spent cleaning graffiti off street furniture, play equipment, defibrillators, noticeboards and buildings.

Replacement Costs

5 bins vandalised – £3,450

10 streetlight lanterns damaged by catapults – £2,066

Noticeboards graffiti and catapult holes – £182

Broken window - £340

Play equipment damages – £1,480

Tackling vandalism







We appointed a new, part-time Community Warden in October. It is an important role that the town is lucky to have and enables us to deal with certain issues quickly.

So far, the Community Warden has:

- dealt with roughly 10 cases of graffiti
- dealt with 6 cases of fly-tipping
- organised 7 litter picks and 95 bags of rubbish collected
- arranged 4 planting sessions est.2,500 bulbs planted
- Mobilised the portable Speed Indicator Device at a number of locations across the town



Community Warden

"THE TEAM IS UERY FRIENDLY AND SUPPORTIVE AND I BELIEVE I WILL LEARN A LOT FROM THEIR EXPERIENCE OF GROUNDS WORK THROUGH WATCHING AND INTERACTING WITH THEM"

For the first time in its history, the Council recruited an apprentice to join the award-winning Groundsteam as a Level 2 horticultural operative apprentice.

Apprenticeships are a great way for young people to gain professional qualifications by combining on-the-job training with off-the-job learning at the same time as earning money.



Supporting apprenticeships



Behind the scenes, we have:

- Improved IT software helping to improve efficiencies and improved security for secure storage of data.
- Carried out a staff evaluation and set new office opening hours, to help towards efficiencies.
- Doggetts Barn was also treated to protect against beetle infestation which meant the office was emptied, old files sorted and the office redecorated.

Office efficiencies







The Council is pleased to have awarded grants totalling £9290 towards services and activities it believes will improve the quality of life of residents across all ages:

- 1st Edenbridge Guides
- Edenbridge Amateur Dramatic Society
- Hi Kent Hearing Aid Support Clinics
- Marsh Green Pre-School
- Edenbridge Rugby Football Club
- West Kent Mediation
- Edenbridge Voluntary Transport
- Bridges
- Eden Christian Trust/ECT Youth Club
- Edenbridge and Westerham Citizens Advice

It has also awarded £14,500 in Service Level Agreements to HOUSE and The Eden Valley Museum.



Community grants



The National Association of Local Councils (NALC) and Society of Local Council Clerks (SLCC) have been campaigning for improved standards to help address issues of bullying, harassment and intimidation, and have put Civility and Respect at the top of their agenda.

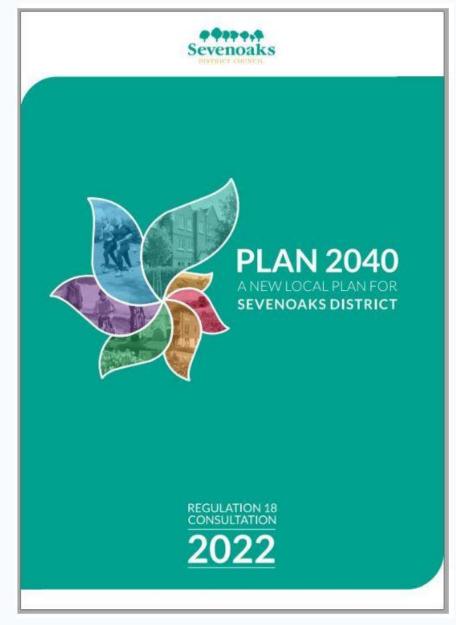
The Council has also raised this with Tom Tugendhat MP, requesting calls for government to establish appropriate and effective sanction mechanisms to deal with issues in the sector, and to improve standards on Civility in public life. In December 2022,
the Council
signed-up to the
"Civility and Respect
Pledge" and continues
to support this
NALC initiative.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN 2024/25

- D-Day commemoration events 6 June, Stangrove Park
- Continue to make representations on the draft Local Plan
- Edenbridge Gardens in Bloom gardening competition
- Summer Family Fun Days
- Bulky Waste collections x 4
- New Council website
- Pavilion Recreation Ground new windows and shutters refurbishment (funded via CIL grant) Tender awarded 2023-24
- 10 town and country walks being reviewed, uploaded to compatible GPS software and new leaflets
- Two-yearly tree survey of over 500 trees on Council sites
- Chairman's Reception
- Providing 58 summer hanging baskets for the town
- Continue streetlight column upgrades with 15 replacement columns
- Continuing the maintenance work to the buildings
- Continue with improvements to the open spaces parks, playgrounds and cemeteries
- FA Kent grant improvements to the football pitches

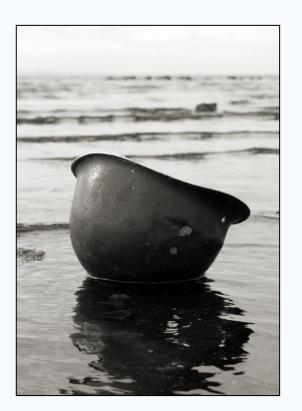
SEVENOAKS LOCAL PLAN 2040 (DRAFT)

The Town Council engaged a consultant and submitted a response to the Local Plan Regulation 18 (Part 2) consultation. The Council supports some sites for development, but objects to others where it considers that the scale of housing development and the release of the site would represent an excessive level of growth for Edenbridge during the plan period, when considered together with Green Belt development already committed and other Green Belt sites around the town also proposed for release.



www.edenbridgetowncouncil.gov.uk/councilsubmits-its-views-on-local-plan/







Residents are invited to attend the Beacon lighting and picnic at Stangrove Park on **Thursday 6 June**. The Church Bells will ring from 6.45 pm. Music in Stangrove Park starts at 7.30 pm with Steve Conway's 1940/50s swing music followed by Edenbridge Town Band and the Beacon Lighting at 9.15 pm.

D-Day 80th Anniversary commemorative event



Whether you are an experienced gardener or just fancy having a go at growing something this year, give it a go and enter this year's gardening competition. Categories include:

- Front & Back Garden
- Allotment Garden
- Window Boxes & Hanging Baskets
- Young Gardener
- Youth / School Group
- Strangest or unique space to create a colourful display

Closing date: Friday 12 July

Presentations: September (date tbc)

Edenbridge Gardens In Bloom

EDENBRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL

Come and chat with us to find out more

Wednesday 8 May 3.00 pm - 4.30 pm Monday 13 May 1.00 pm - 2.30 pm Rickards Hall



Dementia Friendly Edenbridge **BUILDING BRIDGES FOR DEMENTIA FRIENDLY EDENBRIDGE**

YOU ARE INVITED TO

Bations and businesses to learn

to become dementia friendly

THELAUNCHOF

We continue to work with Kent Dementia **Action Alliance to encourage local** businesses and organisations to get access to free dementia-awareness training. We also help to promote the monthly Forget-me-not cafe at the Eden Centre.

FINANCE AND PRECEPT

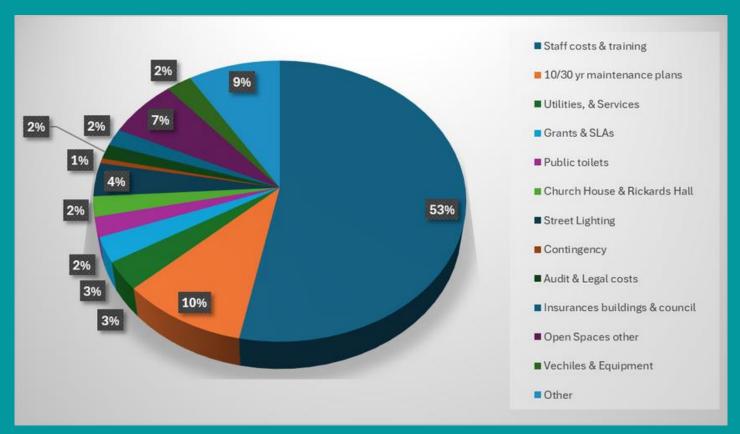
Councillor Stephen Sumner

Chair of Finance and Governance Committee

THE BUDGET THIS YEAR 2023/24

- Forecast expenditure (12mths) £799,880
- Spend to date (11mths) £673,622

How it is spent:



- Forecast income (12mths) £818,130
- Income to date (11mths) £792,273

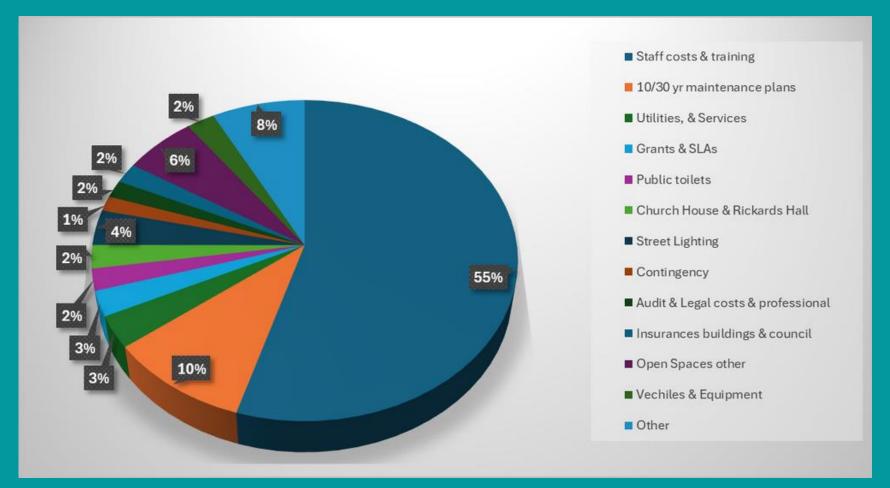
BUDGET COMPARISON

2022-23 Actual against forecast 2023-24 & budget 2024-25



NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET 2024/25

Planned Expenditure budget - £858,575



Predicted income: £858,575

- Precept £745,185
- Other £113,390

Budget 2024-25





"Our budget reflects the quality services we plan to provide while being mindful of the increase in costs that we are all facing."

- Chairman, Councillor Bob Todd

All this and more for £3.62 a week. From an awardwinning Council!



Allotments

Tourism &



services of Edenbridge Town Council compared to £180.43 in 2023-24. That's a 6.12% increase on last year, or £7.89 annually or 15p per week.

This 'Precept' represents one of the smallest proportions of your overall Council Tax

bill, which you receive from

Sevenoaks District Council.





Public Toilets

Playgrounds & Open Spaces

South East In Bloom

Award 2023

Stangrove Park Edenbridge Cemetery

OUR BUDGET...

£858,575

Market

£745,185

£113,390

Expenditure

Cemetries

Income - Precept (Share of Council Tax)

Income (estimated) e.g. cemetery fees, market, hall hire

View detailed budget statement at www.edenbridgetowncouncil.gov.uk/ annual-budget-and-precept



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Expenditure: £858,575

Income (Precept): £745,185

Income: £113,390

Based on a Council Tax Band D property, the average household will pay £188.32 a year for the services of Edenbridge Town Council.

This is an increase of £7.89 per year, or 66p per month.

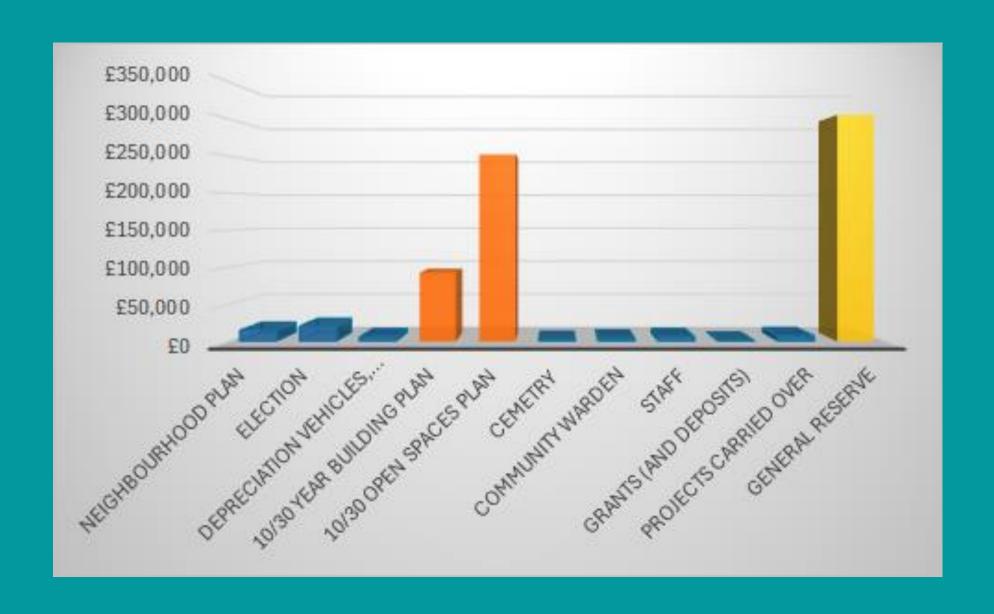
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Budget 2024-25

RESERVES

Edenbridge Town Council - Reseves View Shee							
As of March 2024 PROJECTED						2023-24 C/Os estimated	
BASED ON THE I&E ACCOUNTS							
	31/03/2023	Accrual	Planned	Year-end	31/03/2024	2024=-25	31/3/24
ETC - Reserves Forecast	Opening	Release	Mvmts	I&E	Closing	Budget	Closing
Budget 2024-25						858,575	Adjusted to
forecasted other income						-113,390	reflected movement
Precept income						-745,185	
Budgt surplus/deficit						0	unspent projects '23
Ear-marked Reserves						movement	projects 25
						+/-	
Movement from 2023-24 for project/EMR						-51,200	
Neighbourhood Plan	15,000				15,000		15,000
Election	15,500		5,000		20,500		20,500
Depreciation Equipment & tools & vehicles	1,000		5,000		6,000	2,700	8,700
10/30 Year Building Plan	92,797				92,797	16,500	109,297
10/30 Open Spaces Plan	255,166	-2,832			252,334	18,000	270,334
Cemetry	1,000		1,000		2,000		2,000
Community Warden	3,771				3,771		3,771
Staff	6,000				6,000	6,000	12,000
Grants (and deposits)	2,575	-1,790			785		785
Projects Carried Over	19,078	-11,840			7,238	8,000	15,238
	411,887	-16,462	11,000		406,425	0	457,625
General Reserve	287,347			18,250	305,597		305,597
	699,234	-16,462	11,000	18,250	712,022		763,222
CIL allocated	275,165	-148,243			126,922		126,922
CIL unallocated	7,618		19,903		27,521		27,521
Reserve Totals -	982,018				866,465		917,665

SHARE OF EARMARKED RESERVES



GOVERNANCE

- Transparency & Governance information on website
- Internal auditor twice yearly audits of finances and procedures
- Finance Committee scrutinise finances and budgets
- Software investments for managing Council finances and assets
- Council and Committee structure
- Council Policies, NALC model guidelines and best practices
- Annual external Health & Safety health check

COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS

THERE WILL BE A Q&A SESSION AT THE END OF THE MEETING



County Councillor Margot McArthur

Sevenoaks District Council

- Voting and elections
- Business rates
- Commercial waste
- Licences and permits (taxis, alcohol, gambling, temporary events, waste)
- Council tax
- Planning applications and building control
- Housing social housing allocations, homelessness, housing benefits
- Parking off-street Sevenoaks,
 Westerham, Swanley
- Parking on street throughout
 District
- Community safety

Environmental Services

- Street cleansing, some litter bins
- Refuse, garden waste collections and bottle banks
- Climate Change
- Solar Energy
- Electric vehicle charging
- Food Safety
- Environmental health and pollution
- Dogs

Kent County Council

- Leisure libraries, country parks, arts, history, consumer protection
- Roads and transport roadworks, bus passes, disabled parking badges
- Social care and health children and adult support, care homes, youth services, domestic abuse
- Community births and death registration, celebrants for marriage, civil partnerships and citizenship ceremonies
- Education and childcare providers school places, special educational needs provision
- Business trading standards, consumer protection
- Environmental disposal of all waste, planning, rights of way, minerals, flooding and drainage

My role as a Kent County Councillor

Attend, support and report back to parish and town councils within my division of Sevenoaks Rural South and represent the views at County Council from:

- Chiddingstone Parish Council
- Cowden Parish Council
- Edenbridge Town Council
- Hever Parish Council
- Leigh Parish Council
- Penshurst & Fordcombe Parish Council
- Weald Parish Council

- Respond to residents' concerns about any County services
- Active on committees as directed by the Leader of the County Council:
- County Council
- Chair of Children's, Young People and Education Cabinet Committee
- Chair of Local Children's Partnership Group
- Kent Flood Risk Management Committee
- Joint Transportation Board
- Represent KCC on several aviation committees and Gatwick consultative groups

Events during the year

- . Children
- . Schools
- . EU entry / exit system
- Roadworks



Cllr Julia Thornton

Leader Sevenoaks District Council



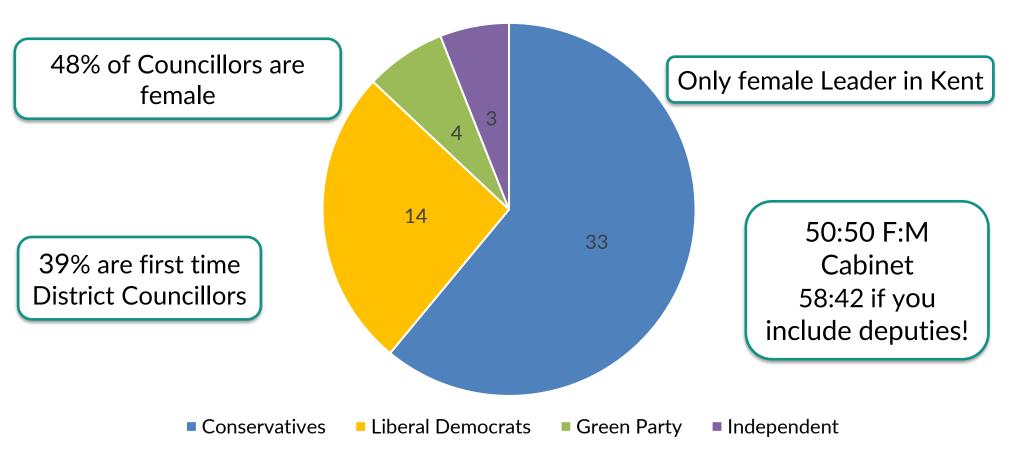
A bit about me ...

- Born and educated in Sevenoaks and have lived all but
 8.5 years within 5 miles of Sevenoaks town.
- 20 year career in marketing, branding & communications roles. Now walk dogs for a living!
- Elected as a District Councillor in 2011 representing the Seal & Weald Ward
- Became Cabinet Member for Development & Conservation in 2019
- Elected Leader of Sevenoaks District Council in May 2023

Make up of Council



Sevenoaks District Council





Develop a new Council Plan

- Wellbeing
- Financially responsible
- 'Better Together'





Focus on our budgets and financial stability

- £1.4m of savings required to set the 2024/25 budget
- Most challenging Budget in over a decade
- External influences causing rocketing fuel prices
- Above inflation increase in staff wages
- Continued high levels of domestic waste post pandemic
- Costs associated with the demise of Sencio
- 1 in 5 councils nationally facing bankruptcy in next 2 years
- 10 year Balanced budget agreed by full council on 20 Feb



Your Council Tax

Kent County Council

Schools

Libraries

Your local town or

parish council *

Roads & pavements (including pothole repairs)

Children & adult

Public transport

social services

Every £1 you pay is shared with these organisations to provide the following local services:



10p



Weekly waste collections & street cleaning



Planning & building control



Housing & health



Council Tax & Business Rates collection



Environmental health & animal welfare



Community grants & leisure centres

Kent Fire & Rescue Service



11p



Visible neighbourhood policing



Protecting vulnerable people



Supporting victims of crime







Safety & prevention

Fire and rescue

Consulted on neighbourhood plans &

planning applications

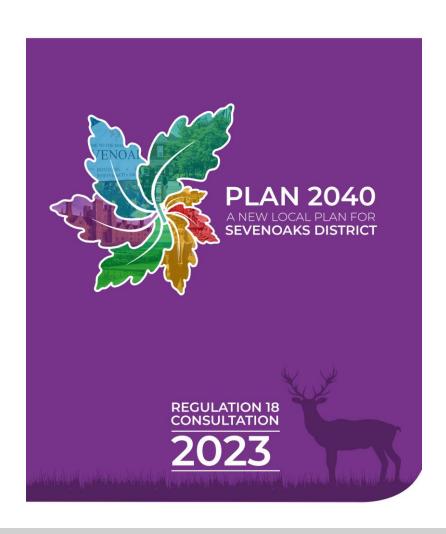
Local parks, recreation

grounds & allotments **Burial grounds &** war memorials

* the charge varies depending on the services provided by your



Deliver the Local Plan





The current Local Plan process started in 2021

The next steps are:

- Development & Conservation Advisory Committee 26th
 March first feedback from Reg 18 (part 2) consultation
- 5,500 responses with over 11,000 different comments
- Regulation 19 consultation (final round) summer 2024
- Submission by the end of 2024
- Examination 2025

Achievements to be proud of ...





Resident Survey

The highest performing Kent authority for

81% Satisfaction (national benchmark 68%)

86% Trust in what we do (68%)

63% Value for money (49%)



6 weeks

To re-open leisure facilities following the closure of Sencio



Investors in People Platinum

The only Authority in Kent to hold this level of accreditation

1 of only 2 local authorities in the Country
Top 10 of any organisations in any sector





COVID Response

The fastest authority in Kent to deliver £45M Paid in support grants to businesses in the District 1,250 Volunteers mobilised



Multi award winning Council

Only authority in Kent to receive a whole host of awards, including LGC Council of the Year



Strong Financial Management

Balanced ten year budget and financially self sufficient



The busiest Planning Department in Kent Over 2000 Planning Applications per year

Thank you!



Community Safety Unit Inspector Mark Stubberfield

Tom Tugendhat MP Conor Dobbs





Richard Dowling (HOUSE)

Anthony Shipwright (Eden Trust Youth Group)

Edenbridge Youth



Richard Dowling





Anthony Shipwright





Places to live. Space to grow.





















Open Tuesday,
Wednesdays and
Fridays
In 2023 we had
2212 Attendances with
128 young people
registered

Open on Thursdays
In 2023 we had 254
Attendances with
12 children
registered
Term time 38
weeks a year



Places to live. Space to grow.

Open on Thursdays In 2023 we had 351 Attendances with 53 young people registered Term time 38 weeks a year



Open Thursday and Fridays











Ron Sutton





The **BRIDGES** Centre, High St, Edenbridge, TN8 5AJ

The Ebenezer chapel built 1805 in Edenbridge High Street.



Later shortened and altered the Ebenezer was used for worship until the late 1980's





The **BRIDGES** Centre, High St, Edenbridge, TN8 5AJ Unused and proposed for business use it was seen by three ladies as a venue for a different purpose





...and the idea for BRIDGES was conceived in 1991 and it opened in 1995



The **BRIDGES** Centre, High St, Edenbridge, TN8 5AJ Following a land exchange deal with a developer; in 2002, BRIDGES decamped to the Scout H.Q. whilst the Centre was stripped and enlarged - giving us a bright new extension, a full-sized catering kitchen and garden space behind.







The **BRIDGES** Centre, High St, Edenbridge, TN8 5AJ

FOOD MENU The Bridges Centre

BREAKFAST

FREE RANGE ENGLISH BREAKFAST

Bacon, egg, sausage, beans or tomato with toast.

Extra sausage or bacon

Extra egg, beans or tomato

SANDWICHES, TOASTIES, **PANINIS**

SANDWICH / PANINI FILLINGS

White or wholemeal Bread available

£4.50 ham or Cheese Cheese & Tomato
Tuna & Cucumber

53 DAILY
SPECIAL Ham or Cheese & £3.50 Please ask what salad

BACON OR SAUSAGE SANDWICH £0.60

£1.20

TOAST Available on white or wholemeal

bread £0.50 PER SLICE

is available

DRINKS MENU

CAPPUCCINO, LATTE OR MOCHA AMERICANO (70Z)

ESPRESSO (SINGLE) INSTANT COFFEE £1.20

INSTANT DECAFF £1.50 HOT CHOCOLATE ICED COFFEE

TEA £1.30 Decaff, earl grey or herbal (Pot for one) COLD DRINKS

MILKSHAKE Small

JUICE CARTON CANNED DRINKS £1.20 **GLASS OF MILK** 75P £3 SQUASH 75P





SAVOURIES

Spaghetti or beans on Soup toast

£2

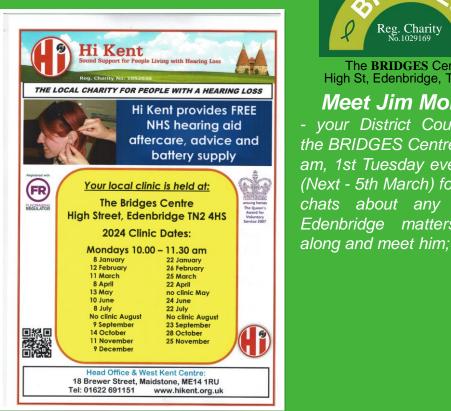
£1.50

Ouiche Egg feast on toast Poached, fried or scrambled **Jacket Potato** Please ask what fillings are available

£2.50

All of the above available with salad garnish 50p and with a roll 50p





SOME ACTIVITIES DURING CAFÉ HOURS







AT BRIDGES **Every 1st tuesday**

12 noon - 1:30pm

of each month





Feeling overwhelmed by debt or money worries? We're here to help - One step at a time

Booked confidential advice sessions Wednesdays 10.30 - 12 noon



BRIDGES Edenbridge Highstreet Mondays From May 16th - July 18th 4PM-6PM

Come and Enjoy a FREE drink and something to eat while socialising with your friends at our new cafe!

Opportunities to get involved or to just kick back and hear about various things going on.





























We will have various stalls selling homemade/handcrafted items and much more!

come along and support us!

Located at Bridges

High street, Edenbridge

Saturday 18th March 10am to 12noon







SECOND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH

CREATIVE WORKSHOPS FOR ADULTS

TEA/COFFEE & CAKE INCLUDED No previous artistic experience required



14 FEBRUARY 2024

HAPPY JARS CREATE A JAR OF POSITIVITY FOR YOURSELF OR FOR A LOVED ONE



20 MARCH 2024

BLIND CONTOUR DRAWING DISCOVERING FORM USING PENCIL, WAX CRAYON AND WATERCOLOUR



SUMINAGASHI MARBLING LEARN ABOUT THIS ANCIENT TECHNIQUE AND MAKE YOUR OWN UNIQUE PAPERS

2PM - 4PM

£6.00 per person

PLEASE BOOK IN ADVANCE

For more information please contact: Kate Hasted: Tel: 07508 395543 EMAIL: kate@katehasted.co.uk

> BRIDGES CENTRE EDENBRIDGE www.bridgescentre.org







The BRIDGES Centre. High St, Edenbridge, TN8 5AJ

ACTIVITIES USING BRIDGES OUTSIDE CAFÉ HOURS

IN STITCHES

KNITTING & CROCHET GROUP

Every third Tuesday 7 - 9.30 pm

Ring 07984 618732

Also....

Alcoholics and Narcotics Anonymous Groups. (Contact these organisations directly for details)



FIRST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH

DANDELION CAFE CREATIVE WORKSHOPS FOR OLDER ADULTS

2.00pm - 4.00pm at Bridges Contribution £7 per session Free for carers



FUN WITH MAPS Collage landscapes



6 MARCH 2024

BUTTON MAGIC Mixed media images



3 APRIL 2024

WEAVING COLOUR Mini looms & fabrics

INFO & BOOKING: SARAH 07766 098584

AT: BRIDGES CENTRE, EDENBRIDGE Website: www.dandelionproject.co.uk/ Email: dandelioncafe@hotmail.com

















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2024 Hiring Charges

HALL ONLY £14.50 per hour

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HALL + SERVERY £15.00 per hour

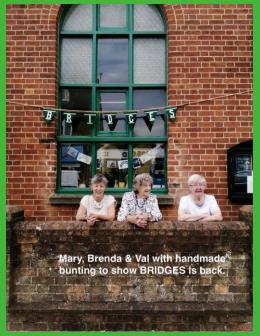
HALL + SERVERY WITH KITCHEN £18.00 per hour

ART DISPLAYS

Please contact us for more details



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Ready to welcome and serve our community





Jerome Basdeo, Chairman Edenbridge Rugby Club



Alan Smart Eden Valley Museum









EDEN VALLEY MUSEUM

Healthcare in our town



A New Exhibition Opening on Sat. 2nd March 2024

Eden Valley Museum, Church House, 72 High Street, Edenbridge TN8 5AR



OPEN: Wednesday and Friday: 2pm - 4.30pm; Thursday and Saturday: 10am - 4.30pm; and Sundays in June, July and August: 2pm - 4.30pm, other days by appointment. Tel. 01732 868102; Email: curator@evmt.org.uk; Web: www.evmt.org.uk; @EdenMuseumKent



Registered Charity No. 1065466

Eden Valley Museum From Saturday 2nd March 2024



Edenbridge Players

An exhibition celebrating 75 years of our town's amateur dramatic society









Saturday 27th April 7.30pm Edenbridge WI Hall

The Great History Quiz



£15 per person or £110 per table (max 8 people)

If you want to come but cannot make up a full team, let us know and we will put you on a table with others.

Price includes fish and chip supper with dessert.

Bring your own drinks and glasses.

You don't need to be a history expert to join in.

The questions will be at varied levels, on varied topics, and *fun!*Evening includes a raffle with great prizes.

To book, contact curator@evmt.org.uk, call into the museum, or phone 01732 868102 by Sat 20th March.

All proceeds towards the upkeep and development of the Eden Valley Museum

OBJECT OF INTEREST



Coat of Arms of William Taylour, Mayor of London 1468

Thank you TO ALL OUR GUEST SPEAKERS



Before asking your question, please state clearly your: •NAME •STREET WHERE YOU LIVE

Question time is limited, so please keep your question concise (within one minute) to enable others to speak.

For any questions that we don't have time for tonight, there is a question box at the registration table, and an opportunity at the end to speak one-to-one with Councillors.

A summary with answers to questions will be published on the website www.edenbridgetowncouncil.gov.uk

Public questions





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