



Gardens in Bloom

Enter by Friday 31 July

It's back for another year! We are now accepting entries for our popular gardening competition - *Edenbridge Gardens in Bloom*. So get those gardening gloves on and show us your gardens, allotments and displays! Winners will be announced in September.

News in brief...

>> **SDC Chairman** - We would like to congratulate our very own Town Councillor of 15 years, Cllr Margot McArthur, on being appointed as the new Chairman of Sevenoaks District Council. The position carries an important responsibility in representing the District and supporting local communities, charities, and civic events across Sevenoaks.

>> **Station Approach** - We have been communicating with Govia Thameslink Railway regarding reinstating free parking along Station Approach on evenings and weekends.

>> **Market Yard seating** - We've installed a bench at Market Yard car park to provide a place to rest for those who may need it while visiting the town centre and Thursday Market. The idea was raised by a resident who attended one of our monthly drop-ins to speak directly with councillors.

>> **Open Spaces Committee** - tenders are being considered for a new bandstand at Stangrove Park, and playground at Marsh Green. Both projects will be delivered later this year.

>> **Annual Report** - will be available to view on our website in the summer.

Categories: Front/Back Garden; Allotment or Herb/Vegetable Garden; Small Display; Young Gardener; High Street Trader Display (NEW!)

Pick up an application form from the Town Council office, or apply via our website:

www.edenbridgetowncouncil.gov.uk



PACT - 22 July, 7pm

Join us at the next Edenbridge PACT (Partners & Communities Together) meeting at Rickards Hall to play your part in shaping a stronger, safer, and more connected community. It's your opportunity to come together with local authorities – including the Town Council, District Council, and Police, all in one place – to discuss community issues, share feedback, and collaborate on solutions. This evening meeting aims to accommodate those who can't make daytime events.

Council meetings

Members of the public are invited to attend Council and Committee meetings. Meetings usually take place at **Rickards Hall, 7.30pm on Mondays**, but times can vary so please check our website. Agendas and Minutes can also be found on our website.

6 July	Council
20 July	Planning
27 July	Finance & Governance
17 August	Planning

Resident and Councillor Drop-in



An opportunity for residents to engage with the Town Council. Chat with councillors, raise any issues and get advice.



 Edenbridge Memorial Health Centre

Third Monday of every month
11am to midday



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SEVENOAKS DISTRICT
LOCAL PLAN

Last chance to comment

The future of Edenbridge is set to be discussed again this summer with the anticipated Local Plan (Regulation 19) consultation. The Sevenoaks District Local Plan will determine how development across the district is planned for years to come, making it important that local residents have their say at this next stage of consultation, anticipated during July and August 2026.

This consultation is expected to be one of the last formal opportunities for residents, businesses and community groups to submit comments before the Plan is examined by an independent Planning Inspector.

Edenbridge Town Council continues to monitor progress closely and is working with its planning consultant to prepare for the consultation. The Council has been raising a number of important local issues with Sevenoaks District Council, including:

- Highway capacity and congestion at key junctions.
- School provision and delivery timescales.
- Public transport improvements and cycling infrastructure.
- Infrastructure needed to support future development.
- Access arrangements and wider planning impacts on the town.

Once the consultation opens, the Town Council will publish information on how residents can view the proposals and submit comments directly to Sevenoaks District Council. We will also provide guidance on where to find consultation documents and how to participate.

Whatever your views, we encourage all residents to take the opportunity to review the proposals and make their voices heard. For updates, visit our website or follow us on Facebook. www.edenbridgetowncouncil.gov.uk



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