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Chairman's Introduction



On Wednesday 12th November Hextable lost it's best friend - our kind, hard-working and well-respected Chairman, Darren Kitchener.

His funeral was held at the Bluebell Crematorium, Halstead on 16th January. It was attended by so many family, friends, work colleagues past and present, Councillors and staff, that there was not enough room inside the large building for us all and many had to gather outside on the terrace, listening through the open doors.

The tributes paid highlighted what a truly remarkable gentleman he was - and what a loss to us all. He was wise, fair, measured in his judgements and kind to all. He always acted with integrity and was totally dedicated to serving our community here in the village, ensuring it thrived.

Stepping up to fill his shoes is proving a difficult task for me and I am grateful for all the help and support my fellow Councillors and staff have offered, both on the Parish Council and at Sevenoaks District.
Our last Newsletter in the autumn was put together by Darren - literally from his hospital bed! I have been so glad to have the assistance for this issue from a local resident with experience in journalism and the communications field, who has volunteered to help us and indeed to be our Editor for this and future Newsletters: Ashley Wassall.

As you will see on page 9, we have now co-opted a local resident, James French, to fill the vacancy on our Parish Council. Following the recent by-election we have also welcomed another local resident, Lee Allen, to fill the District Council vacancy. We hope to restart our regular Councillors' Surgeries at NextDoor Hextable again soon.

I have recently visited the new Care Home on Top Dartford Road, Elderwood House. They are keen to get to know the local community and are holding regular Coffee Mornings on Wednesdays from 10am - 12pm. Do

pop in and introduce yourself and have a look around.

On 22nd April I was delighted to welcome children from our local Primary School to help with the official opening if our new Playground on the Village Green - more details on page 4.

The middle pages on this Newsletter have details of the new Waste Management arrangements introduced by the District Council. You should by now have all received your Waste Caddies and instructions. If you have any queries do please look at the frequently asked questions on the District website: www.sevenoaks.gov.uk/foodwaste.

We will be holding our Annual Parish Meeting this year on Wednesday 27th May at 10am at the new Pavillion of Sutton Athletic Football Club in Lower Road. This event is open to all residents and I hope many of you will find the time to attend.

On page 25 you will find some Diary Dates for other events and activities taking place this year. Do make a note of these in your diaries.

You can contact me by phone direct on 01322 662271 - If I am not there my answerphone will take a message. You can also contact me by email: chrissy.hudson@hextable-pc.gov.uk.

Cllr Chrissy Hudson
Chair, Hextable Parish Council



Local News



New playground now open!
We were delighted to begin 2026 by having our new generation of play equipment installed on the Village Green. The new playground - including two swings, a basket swing, climbing nest, balance beam and much more - significantly upgrades what was already a much-loved and very well-used space, with fun activities for children of all ages.

This is the culmination of two years of planning, funding applications and negotiations - and has been made possible by funding both from Hextable Parish Council, as well as Sevenoaks District Council through its Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL).

Work began in early March and took two weeks to complete, before the gates were opened to the first enthusiastic visitors. The playground was formally opened on Wednesday 22nd April by Cllr Chrissy Hudson, Chair of Hextable Parish Council, and Cllr James Barnett, Chair of Sevenoaks District Council's CIL Spending Board.

Since opening we have been delighted to see so many families and children thoroughly enjoying the new facilities - and the overwhelmingly positive feedback we have received from residents has been equally pleasing.

We have also, however, seen damage done to the new park bench and table, with the main structure damaged and one of the seats broken off. It is unfortunately damaged beyond repair and will not be replaced at this time. This is obviously disappointing and it is always important to remember that repairs to community facilities like this have to be funded out of taxpayers' money.

"Seeing the new park being enjoyed by children and families from across the village has been so fulfilling. Thank you to everyone who has worked so hard to make this possible - and to Sevenoaks District Council for providing the additional funding needed to get this over the line."

Cllr Chrissy Hudson



Greening up - and remembering Darren
Hextable Parish Council is happy to announce that it secured a £5,000 grant, supported by The Tree Council, for trees for the parish. The grant was used to plant trees and hedges across the open spaces of Hextable to benefit the wildlife and the residents, along with the environment in respect of the parish carbon footprint.

The grant helped us plant trees in the following areas: Claremont Green, Village Green, Hextable Park and the Heritage Gardens. The trees chosen include Prunus (flowering cherries) and Malus (Crab apples). The flowering cherries include both spring and autumn flowering, to ensure there are flowers at different times of the year.

One of the new trees was planted on Claremont Green in memory of Darren Kitchener, our former Parish Council chairman and District Councillor who tragically passed away at the end of 2025. It was especially poignant to be able to commemorate his life so close to the place he called home.

The week of the 24th February was chosen to plant the trees. The planting was done with the aid of Hextable Primary School, Parish Councillors, Hextable residents, and the Volunteer Gardeners group. The teams had a great time digging, staking and enclosing the trees with their protective guards. The groundsmen organised everyone to ensure the trees have a great start in life to provide the parish with their benefit over the years to come. A big thank you to everyone who helped make this possible.

This project was made possible with the support of a grant from The Tree Council and Network Rail's Community Tree Planting Fund. So, a big thank you to them too. For details of the Tree Council, please see their website: www.treecouncil.org.uk.



Hextable Parish Council wins Silver at Wilder Kent Awards

Hextable Parish Council is proud to announce it has won silver at this year's Wilder Kent Awards, reflecting our ongoing hard work in helping to create a Wilder Kent.



The awards, presented by Kent Wildlife Trust, saw 90 organisations shortlisted, with 25,000+ individuals recorded as having taken action for nature. Their efforts resulted in a staggering 400,000+ people across the county receiving the nature benefits from the actions taken by the entrants. In total, almost 70 hectares were improved or restored for nature - that's the size of 98 football pitches.

There was real diversity with the groups and organisations who took part, from businesses and community groups, to schools, nurseries, colleges and universities, as well as village, town and city councils. 22 groups received the highest accolade of gold, 25 silver and 31 bronze, with 10 awarded commendations for their efforts.

Key facts:
- 90 winning groups – 10 Commendation, 31 Bronze, 25 Silver, 22 Gold
- 25,000+ people recorded as having taken positive action for nature
- An estimated 400,000+ people recorded as having benefited from the various projects
- An estimated 67.7 hectares improved/restored for nature as part of the various projects - that's roughly 98 football pitches

Hextable Parish Council achieved their silver by providing and maintaining open spaces to be shared both by wildlife and residents.

Hextable Parish Council could not have achieved this without the help and dedication of the groundsmen - Lewis, Barrie, Ian and John - along with the fabulous group of volunteers who have helped shape the open spaces to allow wildlife to coexist with residents.



No Mow May - and beyond

Hextable Parish Council supports the "No Mow May" campaign on the basis that it wishes to help the insects and the wildflowers. However, instead of mowing after May, HPC will leave areas to grow throughout the summer season, alongside the mown areas, to ensure that all insects have a home for the summer and have the benefit of the wildflowers.

This way we can encourage wild orchids, oxeye daisies, cowslips and many others to spread for the future. Therefore, if you see any areas of long grass in Hextable this has been left for this purpose.



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Thank you to our Volunteer Gardeners and groundsmen!

The Volunteer Gardeners and groundsmen have been doing some fabulous work in the gardens and green spaces across the village over the winter and spring.

Some of the work done:

• **March:** Revived the rose garden with lots of pruning and weeding.

• **February:** Planted trees on Claremont Green as part of the grant project.

• **January:** Made bird boxes in the Heritage Centre, which are now up for the birds to enjoy in the open spaces.

• **December:** Made insect hotels, which are now up in the open spaces for all the insects to enjoy.

• **November:** Pond cleared in the Heritage Centre.

The volunteer group is open to all. Please do come along to our future dates and help keep the gardens and open spaces looking fabulous.

Each session includes an hour's gardening, followed by tea and cake courtesy of the parish council. Meetings start at 1pm at the Hextable Heritage Gardens.



Future dates:

May 29	August 28	November 27
June 19	September 25	December 18
July 31	October 30	

Introducing Lee Allen: Your New Sevenoaks District Councillor for Hextable



I would like to say thank you for Voting for me and the Conservative Party on the 5th of March this year. This was one of the largest turnouts in recent years.

I first moved to Stuart Close Hextable in 1996. It's a great Village with lovely people. My wife and I decided to make our family in this village as it is such a pleasant place to bring up children of all ages. This is part of the reason why I decided to become a councillor, as I strongly believe in saving the School Site in Egerton Avenue along with the Avenue of Limes and playing fields for future families.

Currently I am working towards reducing vehicle speed coming into Hextable from 5 Wents and safer parking at the lower end of Malyons Road, as this is also a busy junction.

If you feel the need to contact me with Hextable related concerns you can at cllr.allen@sevenoaks.gov.uk.

Introducing James French: Your New Hextable Parish Councillor



Having recently moved to the village, I am honoured and humbled to serve the community on the Parish Council. On a personal level, I play bass trombone in the Hextable Wind Band, worship at St Peter's in Hextable and am a proud husband, and dad to three amazing offspring.

I look forward to connecting with many of you and serving this wonderful village in the months ahead.

Update From Your Kent County Councillor

Hi, I'm Dean Truder, the KCC Representative for Swanley and Hextable



Following the recent review of the Parish and residents concerns regarding alleged excess speeds of vehicles travelling along Lower Road from Clement Street, Wilmington, where the speed limit reduces from 60mph to 30mph, KCC Highways have suggested the following initiatives to help improve drivers' awareness and compliance.

1) The installation of a **"SIDE ROAD AHEAD"** warning sign, supported with a **"SLOW"** carriageway marking 100m south west where Lower Road meets School Lane.

2) Installation of a **"PEDESTRIAN IN ROAD"** warning sign with **"NO FOOTWAY AHEAD"** plate, accompanied by a **"SLOW"** carriageway marking.

3) Provide a red high friction coloured surfacing (MMA resin) and a new "30mph" carriageway roundel marking to accompany upright **"30MPH SPEED LIMIT"** terminal.

4) Installation of a **"SLOW"** carriageway sign to accompany the existing **"SIDE ROAD AHEAD"** warning sign.

As mentioned, I am currently awaiting a directive from Highways regarding similar initiatives on Main Road, Hextable travelling from Swanley direction. I am hoping to have this in time for the next ordinary meeting in June.

Next Door Hextable - Defibrillator Fundraising

After being approached by Rachel Wallis at Next Door Hextable regarding their initiative to raise funds for a defibrillator at the cafe, I will be contributing £500 from my Combined Members Grant from Kent County Council.

The Old Oasis School Site

As it stands, and following a KCC media release issued recently by Beverley Fordham, Head of Education, and Ian Watts, Chief Schools Officer for West Kent, the land the school occupies, along with the playing fields, have been earmarked for disposal by the KCC administration.

However, The Avenue of Limes, which has protected Public Rights of Way rights, along with the Howard Venue will not be included in any eventual sale of the site.

I intend to approach KCC with the request that the Avenue of Limes form part of a Community Asset Transfer that could be gifted to the community to ensure its long-term preservation.

Proposed Doctors' Provision for Hextable

I have now received a response from NHS Kent & Medway Integrated Care Board confirming that my initial enquiry regarding extending opening hours for the Hextable surgery has now been forwarded to the relevant department.

This will be a slow and involved process - and any ultimate success with this issue will largely depend on maximum resident participation.

Regards,

Dean Truder

Kent County Council
kent.gov.uk

Update From The Howard Venue

The Howard Venue (THV) was pleased that KCC put out a press release recently confirming that, although the school site is for sale, THV, including the parking area, isn't being sold and will remain. THV has a lease with KCC and we intend to remain for many years yet. There may be a change in the position of the car park area for THV that is agreed. THV would like the thank residents for their concern and support during this difficult period of local government reform. We will, of course, update the Parish Council and residents if there is any change. THV intend to continue under the new Unitary Authority when it is formed and we hope to have a good relationship.

The Trustees of the Howard Venue

Local Government Reorganisation: The Future of West Kent

Along with your Council Tax bills this year, residents received a leaflet highlighting the Government's consultation on how local councils are organised in Kent.

The principle of the proposals is to simplify local government and devolve more power locally - abolishing the two-tier system of county and district councils and replacing them with single 'unitary authorities' responsible for all local services in one place.

In Kent this means the abolition of Kent County Council, Medway Council and the 12 District and Borough Councils, including Sevenoaks District Council.

Councils across the county proposed a range of options for how these new unitary authorities would be organised. We believe the most likely - and the most desirable - for Hextable, and Sevenoaks as a whole, is **Option 3a.**

This brings together four District Council areas - Maidstone, Sevenoaks, Tonbridge & Malling and Tunbridge Wells - into a single West Kent Council, one of three new unitary authorities for the county.

Benefits include:

- No boundary changes.
- Supporting the development of Neighbourhood Area Committees with representatives from Town and Parish Councils to ensure that local voices are heard.
- Maintaining councillor-to-elector ratios in line with other existing local government reorganisation programmes.
- Lower implementation costs vs other proposed options.

Existing town and parish councils will be unaffected, meaning Hextable Parish Council will remain the first tier of local government for residents.

The consultation closed on 26 March 2026 and the decision will be announced in the summer. Local elections to the new local authorities will take place in May 2027, with the new councils expected to be fully operational by April 2028.

For more information, please visit: www.local.gov.uk/our-support/devolution-and-local-government-reorganisation-faqs-and-glossary.

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Next Door Hextable cafe is partnering with AEDdonate to raise funds to install an external, publicly accessible defibrillator. It will be the only defibrillator in Hextable that is available 24/7, making it a vital life-saving addition to the community.

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To donate please scan the QR code, or visit: www.aeddonate.org.uk and on the Community page search for Hextable. You can also pop in to the cafe and donate via cash or card..

Thank you for your support. We are incredibly grateful to our customers and community for helping to ensure that vital emergency equipment is available when it's needed most.

Your New Food Waste Collection Services - What You Need to Know

By now, all residents should have received your new food waste caddies - the first collections of which took place on Monday 27th April.

The new weekly food waste collection service is part of Sevenoaks District Council's work to improve recycling services. Food waste collected is used to produce renewable energy and fertiliser.

Moreover, and equally important, collecting and processing food waste separately is cheaper - saving money for the council, and so helping to keep costs down for taxpayers. Kent County Council will save approximately £130 for every tonne of food waste, adding up to an estimated £650,000 every year.

How does it work?

Separately collected food waste goes to a specialist 'anaerobic digestion' plant, where it is chopped into small pieces - and then fed into a processing chamber where bacteria break it down to produce natural biogas.

This biogas is captured and fed into the national grid, so that it can be used in homes for cooking, heating and electricity production. Some of that electricity is even used to power the anaerobic digestion plant itself.

Nutrients in the food waste are also captured to produce quality fertiliser, which is used in farming to produce food that might end up back in your kitchen!

Your food waste caddies

You will have received two new caddies - a small one for indoor use, and a larger one with an orange lid for outdoor use.

The indoor caddie is kept in your house - most people keep it in the kitchen, so plate scrapings can go straight in.

Every few days, or when the indoor caddy is full, the contents can be emptied into the outdoor caddy. You can lock the lid by putting the handle in the down position, to prevent our furry friends urban foxes from getting inside.

Every Monday, put your outdoor caddy at the edge of your property, alongside your general waste and recycling. Please mark your outdoor caddy with your house number with a sticker, marker pen or paint so that it doesn't get lost.

Residents who use communal waste bins, as well as those who live in certain housing blocks or estates, will not get the new caddies - instead they will get new communal waste facilities at a later date.

A roll of compostable liners can be found in the outdoor caddie to get you started - when you need more, these can then be purchased from most supermarkets, or online.

What to put in

- Raw or cooked food
- Meat and fish - including bones
- Fruit and veg peelings and stones
- Bread, rice and pasta
- Tea bags and coffee grounds
- Nut shells and egg shells
- Cut flowers
- Pet food

What not to put in

- Plastic bags or packaging
- Liquids
- Oils

More information

To find out more about the new service and view the frequently asked questions, visit: www.sevenoaks.gov.uk/foodwaste.

Assisted collections are also available for those who are unable to carry the caddy to the edge of their property. To find out more and to apply, visit: www.sevenoaks.gov.uk/assistedcollections.

Hextable pupils name food waste truck

A total of eight new trucks will be collecting food waste every week - and during January and February, pupils from primary schools across the district were invited to take part in a competition to name them.

A total of 50 entries were received, with a panel of judges deciding on the eight winners to be sign-written on the front of the new trucks. Notably, five of the winning entries were from schools in Hextable and Swanley, with Hextable Primary School's winning entry coming from Darwin Class: Rock 'n' Roll Re-user.

The Big Recycling Upgrade: Wheelie Bin Update

As you will already have heard, a further big change is coming to waste collections in the coming months when all households will be provided with wheelie bins.

Most households will receive two wheelie bins: one for recycling waste and one for general waste. Importantly, these will be collected on an alternate weekly basis, with recycling collected one week and general waste the next. Food waste (see pages 14 and 15) will continue to be collected weekly.

Sevenoaks District Council will also be introducing new Waste Collection Standards as part of the changes. Notably, 'side waste' left alongside or on top of your bin will no longer be collected - although flattened cardboard boxes left neatly next to the recycling will still be collected.

Wheelie bins will be delivered to your home between the summer and October 2026, when the new service begins. Further details on the new alternate weekly collection dates will follow nearer the time.

Your new wheelie bins

Your recycling wheelie bin will hold 240 litres and replaces your green sack. It is for all of your dry recycling, including:

- Glass, bottles and jars
- Paper and cardboard
- Metal cans, tins and trays
- Plastic bottles, pots, tubs, trays and empty toothpaste tubes
- Long-life cartons

Your general waste bin is slightly smaller, holding 180 litres, to encourage recycling and food waste separation. It is for all waste that doesn't go into either your recycling or food collection bin.

Properties without wheelie bins

Some properties, such as flats above shops or homes without storage or access, will continue to use alternative arrangements.

To find out more, including frequently asked questions, visit: www.sevenoaks.gov.uk/bigwaste



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LOCAL PLAN

Next Steps

Thank you to all of the residents across the village who responded to the survey on Sevenoaks District Council's local plan, known as the Regulation 18 Consultation.

As we have noted previously, the plan responds to the Government's housing target for the district of 1,145 new homes every year from 2027 until 2042. A total of 10 sites, representing a total of 945 new units of housing, were included as potentially suitable for development in Hextable.

In total, 5,000 people and organisation across Sevenoaks took part in the consultation. You can view all of the Local Plan comments by visiting: www.sevenoaks.gov.uk/emerginglocalplan.

Next steps

Consultation comments were discussed by Sevenoaks District Council's Development & Infrastructure Advisory Committee on 5 March 2026.

Among other things, the Committee was advised that qualitative responses and planning issues raised would carry the greatest weight in considerations as the plan moves forward - and that it is expected not all proposed sites will progress to the next stage.

All of the comments, including feedback from the committee, are now being analysed and considered by the council ahead of a final draft of the Local Plan expected 30th June 2026 for further public consultation. This is known as the Regulation 19 Publication.

As we did during the Regulation 18 Consultation, we will endeavour to ensure that residents in Hextable are given the opportunity to attend in-person discussions to support their understanding of the plans and responses.

The revised Local Plan will then be submitted to Government for its examination by the end of 2026.

Memorial Garden

The memorial garden is a beautiful open space for everyone to enjoy as well as being a place for solace. The trees and greenery are in and around the area to inspire reflection and remembrance.

The garden can have a calming and therapeutic effect on a person's emotions, and the memorial garden was created to provide a space of tranquillity for a few moments of reflecting on memories.

To aid the memories, HPC has a specially designed memorial plaque holder for anyone in Hextable to add a plaque to. The parish clerk will arrange for the plaque purchase, and the groundsmen will attach this to the plaque holder. The clerk to be contacted by email: info@hextable-pc.gov.uk

Plaque requirements:

- The individual to be commemorated must have resided in Hextable at the time of their death.
- The plaque information will need to fit on a plaque size 12.5cm wide by 5cm high.
- Plaque would state the person's name and the date of birth and date of death.
- The cost will be £50.00.



ANAGRAM

1. REGRET THEN HONE
2. HK PHENT PAINTER
3. KNAWL SCAB
4. MELTING E HERE
5. FREE MOTORING SEATED
6. THROPLE COUPLE
7. ONLY TENSE REG
8. THINNER DELI
9. LUVET BEVEL
10. SETH N FRIENDS WAVED AT NEW SHOW
11. O WRONG OAK CRACKLE
12. CABLE N MINK
13. W HAD BLOW KNACK
14. U GRUELIN MOO
15. LANK LAMB SNACK

Anagram answers on page 24

Transform Your Body, Strengthen Your Core: Discover Reformer Pilates in Your Village

Pilates Reformer training has been helping people build strength, improve flexibility, and move better for over a century. Originally developed in the early 20th century, it has truly stood the test of time–and in recent years, it has become more popular than ever.

Using a specially designed reformer machine, this style of pilates offers a low-impact, full-body workout that delivers real results. It's particularly effective for improving core strength, posture, balance, and overall mobility, while also being gentle on the joints. Whether you're looking to support recovery from injury, complement your current fitness routine, or simply feel stronger and more confident, Reformer Pilates is a fantastic option.

One of the biggest advantages is that it's suitable for everyone. From complete beginners to seasoned fitness enthusiasts, each session can be tailored to your individual ability. At Club-K, we pride ourselves on creating a welcoming, supportive environment where you'll be guided every step of the way on your journey.

We're also excited to introduce our brand-new reformers. Built to be robust and reliable, they have been tested to support up to 250kg, making them accessible and comfortable for a wide range of body types and fitness levels—so everyone can train with confidence.

Pilates is no longer a hidden gem—it's now a key part of many fitness routines, including those of well-known names like Ed Sheeran and David Beckham, who use it to stay strong, flexible, and injury-free.



Best of all, you don't have to travel far to experience the benefits. You'll find us right here in the village. We're proud to be part of the local community and are always happy to welcome new faces. Whether you're trying pilates for the first time or looking to take your fitness further, we're here to support you.



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Hextable Heritage Society 2026 Programme

Hextable Heritage Society was formed in 2000 by a small group of enthusiasts who were keen to discover more about their village. We now have about thirty members and our area of interest has spread to cover not only Hextable, but the parishes near to us.

The aims and objectives of the Society are the protection, preservation, and furtherance of knowledge of the local history and heritage of Hextable and its surroundings. We participate in local and national events such as English Heritage's annual 'Open Days', have an annual programme of talks and members evenings, and maintain an archive of artefacts, documents and photographs from the village's past which can be viewed on open days, or by prior arrangement with a committee member, at the Heritage Centre, Crawfords, off Dawson Drive.

If you have an interest in local history, we would love to welcome some new members to join our friendly society. For a minimal membership fee, this includes seven talks that are given to our members covering a wide range of topics.

Visitors can attend for a small fee of £3.00, giving you the opportunity to come along and 'give it a go' and meet with us – where you will be made very welcome. For more details, take a look at our website www.hextable-heritage.co.uk

Thurs 11th June
Thurs 10th September
Thurs 10th December

Seniors Event

Film Afternoon - **Thursday 7th May** at the Village Hall. Doors open 1.30pm Film starts promptly at 2pm.

This time we are showing "Calendar Girls" starring Helen Mirren and Julie Walters. A brilliant tale of the way members of a Women's Institute chose to fundraise for a local Charity.

Admission free, Raffle and Refreshments as usual.



Anagram Answers

1. THE GREEN HORNET
2. THE PINK PANTHER
3. BLACK SWAN
4. THE GREEN MILE
5. FRIED GREEN TOMATOES
6. THE COLOR PURPLE
7. SOYLENT GREEN
8. THIN RED LINE
9. BLUE VELVET
10. SNOW WHITE AND THE SEVEN DWARFS
11. A CLOCKWORK ORANGE
12. MEN IN BLACK
13. BLACK HAWK DOWN
14. MOULIN ROUGE
15. BLACKKLANSMAN

Dates For The Diary



Parish Council Meetings

- **Annual Hextable Parish Council Meeting:** Monday 11th May 7.30pm, Hextable Heritage Centre
- **Annual Parish Meeting:** Wednesday 27th May 10am, Sutton Athletic Football Club Pavilion, Lower Road
- **June Meeting:** Monday 22nd June 7.30pm, Hextable Heritage Centre
- **July Meeting:** Monday 27th July 7.30pm, Hextable Heritage Centre
- **September Meeting:** Monday 21st September 7.30pm, Hextable Heritage Centre
- **November Meeting:** Monday 23rd November 7.30pm, Hextable Heritage Centre

Village events

- **Family Fun Day in Hextable Gardens:** Tuesday 28th July
- **1812 Night - Music and Fireworks - Swanley Park:** Friday 28th August
- **Fireworks Night - Hextable Park:** Friday 6th November
- **Remembrance Day Service - Five Wents Hall:** Sunday 8th November

Handy Contact Details

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	01322 668530

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Annual fireworks display

Bus stops

Emptying HPC-owned bins/dog waste bins

Grass cutting (some on behalf of KCC)

Litter picking

Maintaining HPC-owned buildings

Maintaining the Avenue of Limes

Maintaining HPC-owned open spaces

Senior Events scheme

Tree inspections

Tel: 01732 227000
Web: www.sevenoaks.gov.uk

Building regulation
Collecting council tax
Development control (i.e. planning)
Dog warden services
Electoral Services
Emptying SDC-owned bins (i.e. the bins in the streets)
Fly tipping
Housing the homeless
Leisure provision
Licensing (e.g. pubs, taxis, etc)
Maintaining SDC-owned open spaces
Managing local CCTV
Occupational health
Parking enforcement
Refuse collection
Street cleaning

Tel: 03000 418181
Web: www.kent.gov.uk

Adoption and fostering
Adult social care
Business waste
Country parks
Disabled services
Flooding and drainage
Highways (e.g. roads/pavements/verges)
Household waste recycling
Libraries
Maintaining KCC-owned open spaces
Public footpath management
Road safety
Roadworks
School and adult education provision
School buses and school meals
Senior bus passes
Special educational needs services
Street lighting and street furniture (e.g. traffic lights)
Trading standards
Waste collection and recycling