

March 2016 Parish News

Cllr John Hodges

I have just learnt with great sadness that John Hodges has died. He became unwell after Christmas and was due to start treatment.

John has been an outstanding councillor for the Old Town. He was widely known and held in high regard by many of his constituents. He has earned respect through his hard work and diligence and will be greatly missed.

AGM Friday 13th May 6.30 for 7.00 in Stade Hall

It is with great pleasure that we can announce that this year's Guest Speaker is Michael Foster DL, High Sheriff of East Sussex. Michael served as MP for Hastings and Rye through 3 Parliaments. During that time he campaigned to attract significant inward investment into the town. A local solicitor by training, Michael has gained respect from all political quarters.

It is hoped that Michael will appear in his 'official outfit' . Not to be missed.

Sir Quentin Blake - another generous act.

Work is about to start on a full refurbishment of Hastings Library. The Children's Library will be moving into the main building. Quentin has offered to produce and donate a work of Art for the new Children's Library. You may have to wait until the building opens to have a chance to see it. No doubt it will link to the sea - and make people smile !

What's On in the Old Town

Satu Pitkanen is working hard to establish www.oldhastings.uk as a lively noticeboard for all the things that are happening in the Old Town. If you would like to advertise your event for FREE then contact her at satu@oldhastings.uk. Also if you would like to be more involved then Satu would welcome 1 or 2 volunteers to help put things together. From 11th February Satu hopes to issue a weekly bulletin of all activities.

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