

October 2017 Parish News

Croft Road traffic survey

Please complete and return this before Friday 20th October. If you have misplaced your September newsletter then go to the website www.hotra.org.uk You can print off a paper copy or if it is easier complete on line. Early feed back includes comments like -

*' can it start / end by the entrance to Cobourg Place which would allow all who want to access Hill Street and Exmouth Place to use Swan Terrace as 2 way ?'
'something needs to be done to stop the taxis using Croft Road as a rat - run '
'traffic to and from Torfield School needs 2 way access. Can the 1 way start/ end below the entrance to the school ?'*

All ideas are worth sharing and discussion. Once tabulated the results will be sent to ESCC Highways for their further thought and work.

Rock a Nore surgery

There has been a strong positive reaction to the decision by Hastings Planning Committee to approve this idea. Yes there are some issues to be resolved but most people can see that local residents will be gaining a much better health facility than currently exists.

Roebuck Centre

There is an application before the Hastings planners to demolish some of the buildings and replace them with housing. HOTRA will be opposing this proposal as will Old Hastings Preservation Society. HOTRA is opposed to the loss of jobs that currently exist. Almost all jobs in the Old Town are within retail or catering. Many are low paid. For OHPS the lost of some significant Victorian buildings together with the entire sites' integral collection of buildings is undesirable. There will also be the loss of various Rights of Way.

Hastings Old Town has one of the highest densities of housing in East Sussex.

Swan Gardens

There has been some action here. The larger shrubs have been cut back so the top of the site is more clearly visible from the road. The Police have attended on at least 1 occasion - albeit when Hastings Council Leader Peter Chowney was present.

Sadly the beggars are back in George Street.

Are the Public Space Protection Orders meaningless ?

Hastings Harbour Quarter - well that's another subject to get passions raised.