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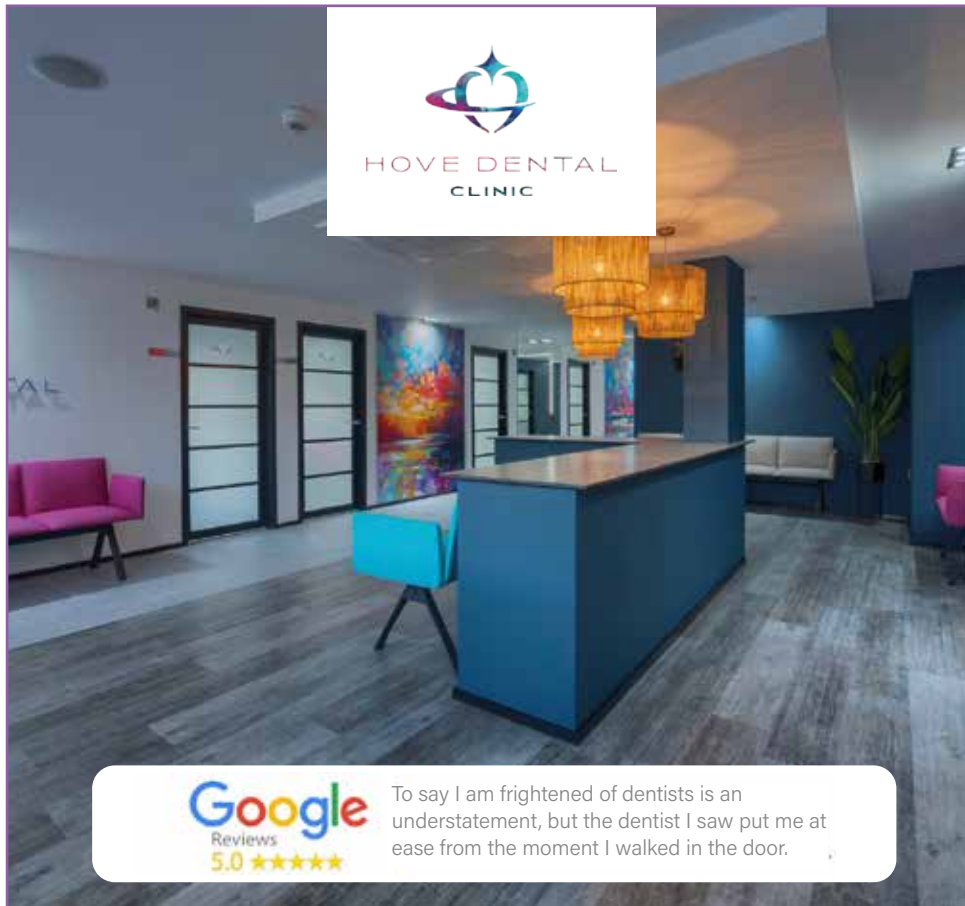


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2023 seems to have flown by and amazingly it is October already! Unfortunately we have to face the fact that Summer is probably now over and that later this month the clocks change and the evenings close in still further.

However, don't feel down, Autumn is a beautiful season in its own right! Those incredible crisp, fresh days on the seafront or on the Downs with bright sunshine and all the gorgeous attendant colours still give us plenty to lift our spirits.

A further thing to raise your spirits is in your hand - your latest edition of your local community magazine, The Brightonian. With its usual mix of local news, features and other local tidbits we will forgive you for taking time out of your busy day to read it from cover to cover.

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News from Labour councillors for Hanover & Elm Grove, Maureen Winder, Tim Rowkins and Ty Galvin..

# Being a councillor - our first 100 days...

Now it is more than 100 days since we were elected, it may come as a surprise for everyone to learn that every day as a councillor brings new experiences, exciting discoveries and enriching opportunities to engage with so many local residents and communities.

We have visited areas of our ward that we never knew existed, and listened to the views of people we would never have had the chance to meet before. We know there is a lot to do, and not all of it will be achieved straight away, but a lot of planning and preliminary work is underway, and here is the good news!

**Elm Grove:** The funding for improvements to Elm Grove is secured, despite the financial challenges faced by every council. Ideas for the kinds of improvements people hoped for were discussed at several consultation meetings earlier this year, and we will be holding the first of two neighbourhood discussions on 26 October, with another in November. These friendly meetings will give everyone the chance to bring forward any concerns or new ideas, and we will have more news on a timetable. Many residents are keen to know if we are working on a flood water management plan, given the heavy rains of recent weeks. The answer is yes, we have arranged immediate drain clearance, and longer-term risk management measures are under discussion. More information to come at those neighbourhood discussions: we will update on exact timings and meeting place. Please get in touch if you would like to be involved:

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**Parks and Green Spaces:** We have committed to a programme of improvements in local parks most used by residents in our ward. In **Queens Park**, the toilets have re-opened, and wider refurbishments are underway. At the **Level**, a new Garden Team Leader has made a huge contribution already. There are several proposals for further improvements under discussion and supported by councillors, but these would have to first be approved through

the planning process. We know how important this green space is to local families.

**New Developments:** A proposal for a sizeable housing development in **Lincoln Cottages** was recently rejected by the council's Planning Committee. With our support, residents mounted a very effective campaign against the development which would have impacted significantly on the neighbourhood. This shows how important it is to make your voice heard if you feel any development proposals would be unacceptably damaging to your community. Your councillors are there to listen and support your community viewpoint, so do not hesitate to get in touch.

A further development under consideration is **Enterprise Point** at the back of St Martin's School. The proposal is to build large numbers of live-work spaces for young people who wish to continue living in the city after university. But are these the homes young people dream of? Residents have already expressed serious concerns about plans that involve high density living and costs which would be beyond many who are at the start of their future careers. This proposed development would overwhelm an area where buses are often crowded, and there are already few locally accessible services.

We know the city is crying out for investment in high quality, affordable homes for all its residents. We will work hard to achieve the best for all residents. Your views would be most welcome.

**Maureen, Tim and Ty**







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A local update...

# Hanover Community Association

Hanover Community Association (HCA) is the small charity that manages the Hanover Centre on Southover Street. The charity is run by a committee of voluntary trustees who live locally.

Autumn is upon us and here at the Hanover Centre we are continuing to make improvements to the premises. Following two very successful weekends hosted by the Woodland Tribe in May and June, we have been working on a plan to redesign the garden. This has been aided by support from the Garden Group of volunteers, and we hope that you will be able to enjoy the fruits of their labour next summer.

In the meantime, bring your little ones to the garden on **Tuesday 31 October**, when we are hosting a **Halloween Trail**. This event will be held in the early evening, so suitable for those who like to go Trick or Treating at the twilight hour.

Looking forward to **Saturday 9 December**, the centre will become a **Festive Makers' Market** for the day, with stalls of gifts and goodies,

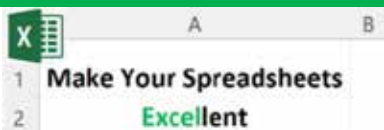
refreshments and cake. Santa Claus will be there, welcoming the good folk of Hanover to his grotto. More details about both these events can be found on the centre's noticeboard or Facebook page.

## E-Cargo Bike Share

Thanks to a 'Green Transport' fund, the HCA is currently looking to implement a new e-cargo bike hire scheme that will run from the Hanover Centre. If it proceeds, a small fleet of large carrying capacity cargo bikes with battery powered support will be available for hire to locals and regular centre users. We hope the offering will allow locals to undertake tasks like weekly shopping trips, moving bulky items, and even safely transporting small children across the city, reducing the reliance on a car.

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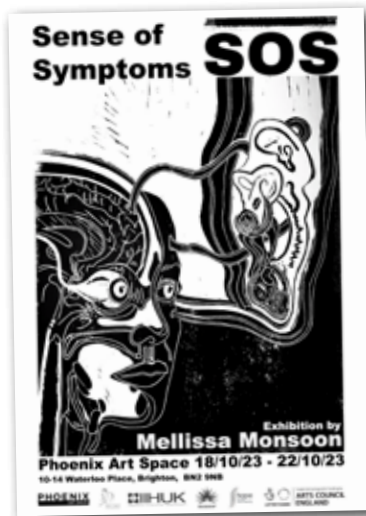
An exhibition at Phoenix Art Space which explores the impact of tinnitus...

## Can you hear what I hear?

**"Sense of Symptoms"** is a new installation in the Project Space at Phoenix Art Space in Waterloo Place by award-winning artist Mellissa Monsoon. It explores the impact and experience of tinnitus as an invisible symptom that affects millions of people in the UK.

Visitors are invited to take a journey through the sounds that are part of the daily lives of 1 in 10 people. Mellissa's work explores these experiences from an aesthetic perspective, using a broad variety of lenses to visualise and realise experience as fully as possible: cyanotype prints, lino prints, ceramics, sculpture and electronic art.

Sense of Symptoms runs from Wednesday 18 October until Sunday 22 October (inclusive). Open daily 11am-5pm; quiet hour every day at 4pm for those who prefer to view without noise. On Friday 20 October at 5pm there is an exhibition tour, and private view from 6-8pm; both are bookable at [senseofsymptoms@gmail.com](mailto:senseofsymptoms@gmail.com)



News from Phoenix Art Space of a new exhibition...

## Are You a Woman in Authority?

Broken Grey Wires and Phoenix Art Space present an exhibition of work by artists who explore empowerment, gender and community.

"Are You a Woman in Authority?" communicates the powerful rhetoric behind key social issues: mental illness, class struggles, race, queerness and feminist discourse, and how these intersect. It brings together established, critically acclaimed artists and provides a platform for emerging artists.

How much does identity, gender, sexual preference and disability impact our opportunities in society? Do women, or those identifying as non-binary, need to work harder to be successful? These questions preoccupy the curatorial vision behind the exhibition, with works by leading artists including Sarah Lucas, Jade Montserrat, Zanele Muholi and 2018 Turner Prize winner Charlotte Prodger. The exhibition features photography, interactive installation, video and painting.



*Born to suffer  
the weight of  
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There will also be a programme of artist residencies, talks and a family-focused workshop, including collaborations with Outside In and Brighton's Women Centre.

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# Queen's Park Councillor News

## It's been a busy August and September!

The Queen's Park Play Area building work has begun in earnest. There is a delay due to some equipment not being the expected size – amendments to the site to make it flatter will be happening over the next few days, and by the time you're reading this, we may well be nearing the end of the build, if not experiencing an open, new play area.

The death slide beloved by so many will remain!

A number of traffic incidents have occurred on Upper Abbey Road by the Royal Sussex – the new hospital development required one side of the footpath to become wider, and therefore a pedestrian rail to be removed. Unfortunately, the rail served a dual purpose – keeping people off the road, but also cars from driving into the walls of the houses along the street. The removal of the railings has left the houses vulnerable to traffic. Cars have already driven into the walls, and there have been some other close shaves. I've appealed to the council to urgently find new measures to replace the railings to prevent any more damage.

Queen's Park toilets were vandalised then fixed and opened again. We're eager to secure a long-term strategy for the toilets, and have both a colourful mural and a mental health affirming quote emblazoned on the side to prevent graffiti and make them less of a target. Working with James McInerney and The Poetry Project, we should have a quote selected soon, and need to find a local mural artist. Should be easy in Brighton!



To raise money for Martlets Hospice, 40 Shaun the Sheep sculptures have been placed around Brighton, as you have probably seen by now. And Queen's Park ward has been gifted with two! Notorious Shaun on Edward Street and Bloom by the Pepper Pot. While Bloom got quickly bullied, the artist Faye Bridgewater has them back in place now after a bit of a touch up. We have until November 5th to bask in all their technicolour glory.

Be well, stay safe and keep in touch!

***Tristram.burden@brighton-hove.gov.uk***

*Come along to any Councillor Open Doors for a chat and a cup of tea:*

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# Improvised Explosive Devices designed to frustrate

**The road to achieving change is paved with frustrations designed to sap your spirits, writes Geoffrey Bowden, chair of the Friends of Queen's Park.**

They are hidden like Improvised Explosive Devices (IED) waiting for you to step on them to trigger negative responses.

I've been writing about the refurbishment of our play area since 2020 when the Council first appointed an officer dedicated to overhauling all of the city's 47 play areas. Friends of Queen's Park and local councillors met with the officer to discuss how our neglected playground might benefit from an identified six figure sum to be used to transform the site.

When you are informed that £147,000 has been earmarked for your play area, you could be forgiven for enthusiastically wanting to share the good news story. However, what followed was not the expected quick transformation. Instead we saw the pieces of play equipment steadily being reduced, as they were deemed too dangerous to remain.

Managing expectations is a hard lesson to learn along the way and perhaps we should've been more muted when reporting that our play area was to be refurbished. Brickbats came our way, as we now had a rather sad looking playground pot-marked with scars where old equipment had once stood.

We had to push to have a consultation about what the community would like to see in their playground. Meaningful consultations take time to develop and more time to analyse the results, delaying action on site.

In the meantime, another frustrating delay cropped up when the Council's Legal Services pulled the emergency brake cord, while it investigated whether the tender processed had been compromised. It hadn't. Then, in the run-up to the local elections, the playground became an election issue itself with a candidate-inspired online petition about the lack of progress on the play area's refurbishment.

Fast forward and an announcement is made that work is to start finally in August. Then came news that the manufacture of a bespoke piece of kit would delay the start until September.

In the fenced-off area crates of equipment started to pile up. Time for another IED. A surveying error meant the levels of the space to accommodate the central feature had been miscalculated leading to yet another delay.

Hopefully, by the time you read this the bottom half of the play area will have been completed and open for business – provided no more unexpected IEDs get trodden on to frustrate us all.



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# Music and Wine at St Luke's

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On Friday 6th October we welcome regular performers the Brighton Chamber Ensemble. They'll be playing Spanish composer Joaquin Turina's "Scène Andalouse" and exploring British repertoire written in the first decade or so after the Great War, with Rebecca Clarke's "Poem" for string quartet, an arrangement of Gerald Finzi's "Eclogue" and the great piano quintet by Edward Elgar.

On Friday 27th October Kate Read will present a concert of solo viola music. Drawing on works from her debut solo album "After", Kate will play baroque repertoire, alongside contemporary works for viola and electronics by Canadian composers Andrew Staniland and Benton Roark, which she commissioned. The music on this album indirectly depicts the natural elements of Newfoundland – beauty amidst ruggedness, vastness of (sonic) space, wildness of possibilities.



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## News from St Luke's Church

### Bingo Night including Fish & Chip Supper

*Saturday 21 October, Eyes Down at 6.30pm*

The popular Bingo Night will be held in the church hall. Cost is £15 for a game book and fish & chip supper. If you would like to attend, please telephone Deacon Julie on 01273 570978 to book your place by no later than Thursday 19 October so the organisers have numbers for the food order.

### Harvest Festival

*Sunday 1 October at 10am*

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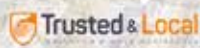
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A Kemptown farewell...

## Rob the street cleaner retires

Street cleaner Rob (featured in a Brightonian article by Lina Talbot last year), retired at the end of August after sweeping the streets of Kemptown for more than 20 years.

He has been such a popular figure in Kemptown that a petition against losing him was signed by hundreds of people when he was asked to change area a few years ago.

Sarah Burnett, the owner of Castles of Kemptown, said that she and all other traders and residents on St George's Road would like to wish Rob the very best retirement, with good health, relaxation and fun-filled times ahead.

Sarah said: *"We have all appreciated the pride he has taken in his work, maintaining the cleanliness of our streets, his chatty, friendly nature and willingness to help. He has been out in all weathers, always jovial and with a smile and wave early morning. His input to the community has kept our streets clean and tidy; his presence has made us all feel safe and looked after. We*



Photo by Lina Talbot

*want to wish him all the best for his retirement and may he win many more games of bowls with his team."*

Kemptown entertainment...

## Animal Farm at The Lantern Theatre

On Thursday 19th October (7.30pm) The Lantern Theatre in Rock Place features a production of George Orwell's *Animal Farm*, adapted by Ian Wooldridge.

George Orwell's classic tale of farmyard animals who rise up against their human oppressor, only to fall prey to one of their own, is sadly as relevant today as it was in 1945. It was originally written in response to the Russian Revolution of 1917, which was itself caused by bad state management of a crisis (World War One) leading to a huge rise in the cost of living and food shortages.

The production is by Sussex touring company Rabbit in Headlights and tickets cost £13.50.

Also at The Lantern Theatre (13 and 14 October, 7.45pm) is *A Royal Threesome* by Sandy Truman. It's a comedy drama based on the true story of the worst-matched royal couple in history – a soap opera with the Prince Regent, secret wives, scheming mistresses, spying courtiers and scandal galore. Tickets cost £14.

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# Black Rock's vegetated shingle is thriving!

It's not often that a spider hits the headlines! But when a rare jumping spider was spotted at Black Rock earlier this summer, the excitement was enough to make the national news.



types of spiders (including four which are nationally scarce) and 21 different bugs.

Kew's UK Conservation Projects Coordinator Chris Cockel also recently visited the site to see how the plants were progressing and was delighted to find them thriving in their new environment.

"It was really great to come back to the site after a year and to see how the plants that were grown initially at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew at Wakehurst, were developing.

When we planted them, they seemed so small and vulnerable and it seemed uncertain how they would adapt to their new surroundings. But the sea-kale we planted is doing very nicely and what's even better is that the yellow horned-poppies have flowered and are now producing seed for the next generation. It's really excellent to see that."

Richard Hannay, Director at Land Use Consultants and one of the lead designers, added: "In the troughs the handful of plants from Kew have established and reproduced and, together with natural regeneration from seed dormant in the reused sands and grits, now cover up to 50% of the surface. This is far faster than expected and all rather wonderful!"

The vegetated shingle beds are part of the wider Black Rock Rejuvenation project which aims to transform the Eastern seafront and enable further development in the future. Next steps include the completion of a new pedestrian and cycle link with new tenants announced for the restored Temple and Reading Rooms.

Naturalist Graeme Lyons discovered the spider, *Heliophanus kochii*, nestled in the yellow horned-poppies within one of the areas of newly created vegetated shingle at Black Rock.

Graeme, who is the county recorder for spiders and bugs, was carrying out a survey of the Black Rock vegetated shingle, an internationally rare habitat – which has been created over the last two years in a joint initiative between Brighton & Hove City Council and Kew's Millennium Seed Bank at Wakehurst.

## 1,000 young plants

The small, harmless spider, which has not been recorded in the UK before, was one of several unusual species spotted at the site where 1,000 young plants, including sea-kale, bittersweet and yellow horned-poppy, grown by Kew's horticulturalists, have been planted in 'wave troughs' to help kick-start the creation of this unique coastal habitat.

Graeme's invertebrate survey recorded 170 species including 60 species of beetle, 29



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News from a local scout group..

# 14th Brighton Scout Group Centenary Celebration

14th Brighton Scout Group is officially 100 years old!



*The Cub Pack at the District Cub Sports at Moulsecoomb in 1935*



*Scouts camping near Poyning's this year*

A Wolf Cub Pack was formed in October 1923 and met at St Luke's Hall, where Tidy House now stands at the top of Islingword Road. This group eventually became the 13th Brighton. The following year a Boy Scout Troop started at Dorset Gardens Methodist Church, eventually becoming the 14th Brighton. In 1970 the two different groups were merged as the 14th Brighton. At one time the group stored its tents and equipment in the Pepperpot by Queens Park! The group continues to meet at Dorset Gardens Church where we have a Beaver Colony, Cub Pack and Scout Troop.

We are proud to be the last inner-city Scout Group, and a thriving part of our local community. We continue to provide 'skills for life' for young people today, as we have done for hundreds of young people over the last 100 years. Twelve Scouts and two leaders from our group have been selected to represent the UK at World Scout Jamborees, including one in South Korea this year. Our sections regularly - and successfully - take part in County and District events. Besides all our usual camps, Scouts from 14th Brighton have been involved in visits to the International Scout Centre in Switzerland, and

exchange visits with Scouts from Wageningen in the Netherlands. Lots of memories to share with lots of Scouts over the years!

We want to share our 100 years celebration with anyone who has ever been a part of the group, however long ago, even if it was only for a short while. We're including parents, anyone who has ever helped as a leader, and anyone who has ever been a Beaver, Cub, or Scout with 13th or 14th Brighton. We're planning several gatherings where everyone can share memories of their time with the group, and hoping to be able to fill in some of the gaps in our history. Our first celebration will be held over the weekend of 28th/29th October 2023.

**If you have ever been involved with the 14th Brighton Scouts, or know anyone who has, please contact us. If you know of anyone who was involved with our group and won't see this magazine, please share this information and ask them to contact us via email at: [14thbrightoncentenary@gmail.com](mailto:14thbrightoncentenary@gmail.com).**

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Brighton Bygones...

# St James's Street

The Regency shop front of Fred Gunn, a fish merchant, at 102 St James's Street in 1948.

Fred Gunn ran the shop for 45 years. It's still a fish and chip shop - currently Little Jack Fullers.



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Lina Talbot with the first of a two-part look at what is available for older people in Kemptown...

## Group activities for older people

Life is changing. We may have been living here for years, but our children may now have moved elsewhere. The neighbours we once knew so well perhaps too, and after ten years or more several may no longer be with us.

Brighton and especially Kemptown is such a great meeting place, but we probably all find it easier to go out with people we know. And, of course, someone with similar tastes to our own. Kemptown hosts a wide range of group activities – those that are physically active as well as focus on talking, reading, watching or listening. Subjects ranging from sport to jazz to film to nature to books and more. So, first of all, we do have our own football team in the Isthmian League: Whitehawk FC, with an attractive stadium in East Brighton Park and a solid fan base. The café there has an amazing serving of sausages you have to see!

A number of groups meet in St George's Church or the Crypt below it (accessible by lift – so no problems if you're in a wheelchair). The full list is on the office window downstairs and includes U3A groups meeting there for Art Appreciation, Opera, French-Italian-Spanish Conversation, Local History, Engineering and "Discussion" (topics chosen by members), as well as the Sporting Memories group (see separate article) and classes for Yoga, Dance, Theatre and "Flex classes" for the over-65s.



The Brighton Table Tennis Club is just on the corner of Upper Bedford Street – can you still play...? It forms part of the Fitzherbert

Community Centre where volunteers to help in the Food Hub and Café are also welcome. And you can always join a local litter "Tidy Up" group, run by the Council, trying to keep Kemptown beach, East Brighton Park, and the



streets of Kemptown as they used to be and should still be...

For those of us who just like to read – and then talk about it – there's the Kemptown Bookshop with a number of groups including several for creative writing – as well as a café where we will find people who like to talk books too! Finally, "Walking The Talk" is organised from Yellowwave café on Kemptown beach, where people can get together walking, eg along the new boardwalk, and return for an interesting local talk and refreshment every other Wednesday at 10am. More from Kemptown beach in Part II next month. Meet well!

*Reviewed on behalf of Kemptown residents by Lina Talbot*



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# Hollingdean & Fiveways Councillor News

Dear Residents of Hollingdean and Fiveways,

I am writing to express my heartfelt gratitude to all of you who supported the Labour Party by casting your votes in the recent Brighton and Hove City Council election held on May 4th, 2023. Your participation in the democratic process was instrumental in enabling us to secure victory and gain control of the council for the next four years.

We are continuing to work closely with our residents. As of recently, we have been very busy with a plethora of projects in and around the community. Namely, a community tidy up at Davey Drive, community composting at St Richard's Church and a Lucky Dip at the community festival, as well as a local residents association. Furthermore, we have met with Brighton and Hove Buses to discuss improvements to the number 50 bus, as well as general improvements to their services overall. Our main priority is localism, making sure that our residents' concerns are heard and appreciated.

We are currently waiting for a parking consultation report. Hollingdean Park is currently under refurbishment and we are delighted that it will soon be reopening its gates. We look forward to continuing our positive work within the community.

Your decision has significantly impacted the future of our community, and we are honoured to have your trust and confidence in our ability to lead and serve you. We are fully committed to working for the betterment of Hollingdean and Fiveways, and we will do our utmost to uphold

your expectations and make our area a thriving and vibrant community for all its residents.

Once again, thank you for your unwavering support and for placing your faith in us. We will continue to work tirelessly to earn your trust and make a meaningful difference in your lives.

Sincerely,

**Cllr Mohammed Asaduzzaman**

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Later a railway line was run in, probably for removal of the rubbish. At this period Hollingdean Road, or Dog Kennel Road as it was called, ran straight up from the railway arch to Ditchling Road.



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Once back at the Chalet Café there will be a competition for best costumes. There will be food and sweets available to purchase, as well as games and competitions. Don't forget to sign up for the raffle!

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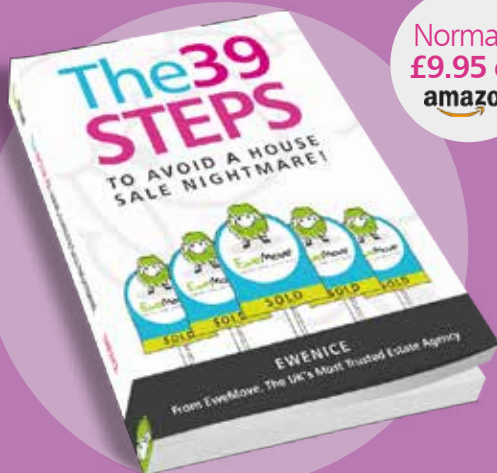
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## City in blue and white

To celebrate Brighton & Hove Albion's qualification for the UEFA Europa League, city centre streets have been decorated with blue and white bunting.

And on match days iconic buildings including the Royal Pavilion will take on a blue and white glow to celebrate the home team's success.

Bunting started to go up in mid-September and Albion mascot Gully joined Council Leader Bella Sankey, Councillor Ty Goddard and Lord Bassam to lend a hand.

Businesses and residents are also being encouraged to help 'dress' the city in a sea of blue and white to celebrate Brighton & Hove Albion's UEFA Europa League debut. The club qualified for the league for the first time in their 122-year history, after finishing sixth in the Premier League earlier this year.

Councillor Bella Sankey, Leader of the Council, said: "We'd love to see businesses and residents across the city get creative and dress their windows and public areas in blue and white too. It would be a wonderful way to show their support for our fantastic team. Up the Albion!"

Albion skipper Lewis Dunk said: "As someone born in the city and now captain of the club, I am extremely proud of our achievement of playing in Europe for the first time. It's a brilliant opportunity to showcase the club and Brighton



& Hove and I'm sure the city will be buzzing when we stage our home games."

Last season, Albion games reached a televised audience of more than 83 million, including 75 million viewers from all over the world. Councillor Ty Goddard, lead for economic development, said: "We're extremely excited about the opportunities which will undoubtedly open up for local businesses."

*Group Stage home matches take place on 21 September, 26 October and 14 December, with away matches on 5 October, 9 and 30 November.*

## Ban on some single-use plastics

From 1 October 2023, businesses in England may no longer supply, sell or offer certain single-use plastic items. If businesses continue to supply these items after 1 October, they could face fines.

The ban includes single-use plastic plates, trays, bowls, cutlery, balloon sticks, and certain types of polystyrene cups and food containers.

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*The Real Art Crazy Movement; photo by Sam Rogers*

Every month for the last year, BBM has had monthly markets at its permanent residency, The Actors Pub, as well as having the opportunity to do pop-up events around the city of Brighton with local charity BARCO, and collaborate with a number of organisations including urbanflo for the Culture Connex Festival. BBM were also proud to have three events listed in Brighton Fringe 2023.

This October, vendors and organisers alike are excited for what's in store this month. Steadily gaining kudos for its headline choices – with the likes of Kymara, Steven Bamidele and Liz Ikamba, to mention a few – BBM are excited to announce, for its one-year anniversary, we have the rising Akin Soul. Born in Dallas, Texas, Akin Soul is a 21-year-old jazz and soul singer, multi-instrumentalist and songwriter from South-East London who plays keys, guitar and trombone. Raised on a diet of Marvin Gaye, Stevie, Quincy, Lalah and Donny Hathaway, Amy and Corinne Bailey-Rae. In 2018 Akin founded the 12-piece band - Akin Soul & The Soul Tribe - who have gone on to perform across London and at Glastonbury, We Out Here Festival, Brainchild Festival, Love Supreme, All Points East and Great Escape. BBM are very excited to announce the acoustic Tiny-Desk vibe we are planning for this performance.



*Last year's market; photo by Omar Sultan*

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You can buy tickets on Eventbrite and on the door: £4 students, £5 adults and under-12s are free entry. Each ticket purchased enters you into our raffle draw, with prizes donated from vendors from the day, with up to £50 worth of prizes.

## **Jade Hylton @The\_Hylton**

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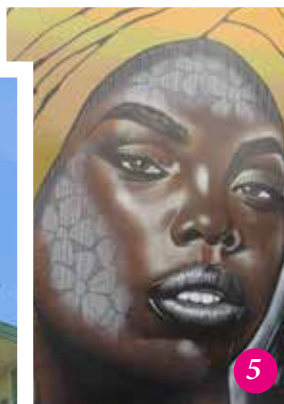
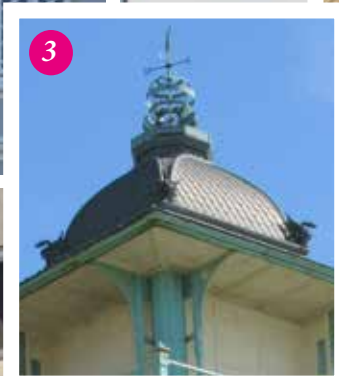
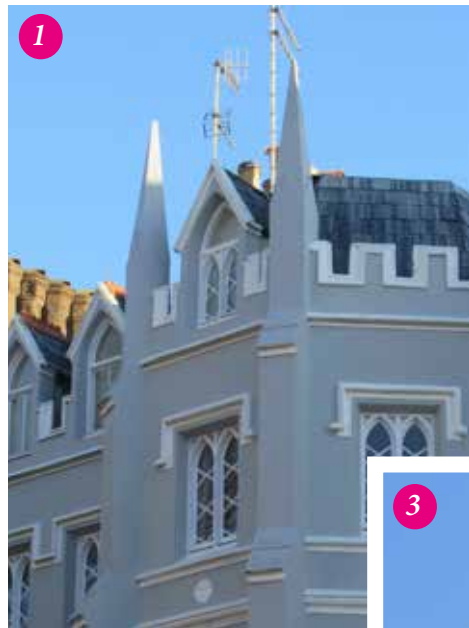
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# Hippodrome applications

Detailed discussions are continuing on the restoration of the Grade II\* listed Brighton Hippodrome.

The applications are currently expected to be decided at Planning Committee in October or early November, subject to all the required information being provided.

The site has a long history as an entertainment venue having been first built as an indoor ice rink in 1896/97. The Hippodrome has undergone some major alterations over the years and was used as a live music venue until 1964. In 1969 it reopened as a bingo hall before falling into disuse in 2007.

Council planning officers are now working with developer Matsim Properties and organisations including Historic England and the highways authorities to address issues raised in the consultation on the two current applications, and to ensure all the information is available for the committee to determine them.

## The applications

A full planning application and an application for a listed building consent have been submitted. They include not just the Hippodrome building (52-58 Middle Street), but also the adjacent Hippodrome House (51 Middle Street) and the rear former service yard which fronts on to Ship Street.

## The applications include:

- renovation of the auditorium as a performance space with bar/café;
- a new 3 to 7 storey apart-hotel building in the rear service yard, with retail at ground floor level;
- conversion of the existing Hippodrome Fly Tower to create additional rehearsal / performance space; and
- conversion of the adjacent Hippodrome House to provide a bar and members club.

Amendments to the scheme were received in November 2022 and again in February and March of 2023. The apart-hotel has been reduced at the rear of the site and the offices originally proposed for the Hippodrome's rear fly tower removed, to be replaced



Artist's impression of the Middle Street streetscape

with the rehearsal space. The key planning considerations are the impact on the historic building in a conservation area, the impact on residents, highways matters and operational viability.

You can find out more at: [brighton-hove.gov.uk/planning/major-developments/brighton-hippodrome](https://brighton-hove.gov.uk/planning/major-developments/brighton-hippodrome)

A silent film screening with live music...

## Nosferatu

The silent classic 1922 film **Nosferatu** will be screened for Halloween.

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Congratulations to Streetfunk's mega crew K.O.D...

# Street dance world champions

The South Coast's most successful street dance school, *Streetfunk*, have brought home a haul of medals and a World Championship title after four days of competing at the Winter Gardens in Blackpool in August.

Streetfunk's mega crew K.O.D., consisting of 23 dancers aged 10 to 23, beat off fierce competition from 11 world-class crews to take the title of U18 Intermediate UDO World Street Dance Champions.

The UDO World Street Dance Championships is the most prestigious Street Dance and Hip-Hop event on the annual dance calendar and this year hosted 3,800 dancers from 34 countries.

The journey to victory for K.O.D was not without its challenges. Following the qualifying rounds, K.O.D. found themselves in a disappointing 5th place. The crew's coaches, JP Omari, Munya Muchati and Monique Matthews, recognised the need for adjustments to the routine to ensure their place in the finals on the Sunday.

JP said, "We realised we had to make some critical changes. We were still drilling the routine right up to the minute they went back on stage for their final performance. Despite these last-minute adjustments, K.O.D.'s dedication and hard work paid off and they delivered an outstanding performance. They wowed the judges who ultimately awarded them the title of U18 UDO World Street Dance Champions."

One member of K.O.D., 13-year-old Cooper Filby, said, "I'm about to head into my 7th year of crews with JP and this has by far been my favourite. Crews is such a huge part of my life and Worlds this year was awesome. Winning yesterday was better than my birthday!"

K.O.D.'s winning routine combined a variety of street dance styles including Hip Hop, Waacking, Locking, Popping and Breaking (the latter will make its Olympic debut next year in Paris 2024). The crew has seven boys and 16 girls who travel from all over Sussex to train with their crew in Brighton. K.O.D.'s distinctive black and yellow uniform features the Spartan battle helmet from the film '300' on the front of their t-shirts. Their motto? 'Always ready to battle!'

Monique Matthews, 28, who has been dancing with JP Omari for 16 years and has coached her own individual winning crews, said: "These kids rehearse for hours and hours, week after week, year after year, perfecting their dance styles, understanding the music and dedicating all their free time to crew training. Some of these kids have been dancing and competing since they were seven or eight and it shows that hard work and dedication pays off."



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The south entrance to the Royal Pavilion on 24th May 1906.

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Coming up at Theatre Royal Brighton...

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The story, written by award-winning playwright Tim Firth (Calendar Girls, Kinky Boots), follows a group of five best friends in the 1990s who are obsessed with their favourite boy band. The girls reunite more than 20 years later with a plan to see their heartthrobs one last time in what could be the Greatest Days of their lives. Greatest Days features more than 15 Take That hits.



## 2:22 A Ghost Story

**"2:22 A Ghost Story" will be at Theatre Royal from 24-28 October.**

Jenny believes her new home is haunted, but her husband Sam isn't having any of it. They argue with their first dinner guests, old friend Lauren and new partner Ben. Can the dead really walk again? Belief and scepticism clash, but something feels strange and frightening, and that something is getting closer, so they're going to stay up... until 2:22... and then they'll know.

Winner of Best New Play at the Whatsonstage Awards, this edge-of-your-seat, supernatural thriller stars Joe Absolom (A Confession, Doc Martin) as Ben, Charlene Boyd (Mayflies, River City) as Lauren, Nathaniel Curtis (It's A Sin, The Witcher) as Sam and Louisa Lytton (Ruby Allen in Eastenders) as Jenny. The play comes fresh from record-breaking seasons at five West End theatres with a host of acclaimed star performances.

Writer Danny Robins said: "I'm thrilled with our first cast for the 2:22 A Ghost Story UK tour and can't wait to see how each actor brings their own distinctive take to the play. It's quite



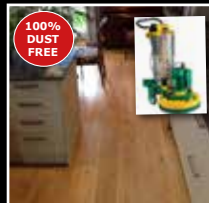
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*answers from page 39*

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**Picture 2:** Brighton Law Courts in Edward St

**Picture 3:** Madeira Lift

**Picture 4:** Brighton Place

**Picture 5:** Mural in Ann Street

**Picture 6:** Brighton Dome

Meet a Brightonian who loves films...

## Local person...Josie Rance

**Josie Lance is 20 years old and lives in the Preston Park area. She has a passion for films and posts weekly film reviews on Instagram.**

### How did you become so passionate about films?

I would say being able to watch three films a day during lockdown and it be considered acceptable and also my A Level film studies course was where my real interest for film started, although I came from a big cinephile house looking back, with parents who introduced me to a lot of classics early on. Jurassic Park would have to be the film that started it all though. Initially after it gave me nightmares for about a week, my 12-year-old self became dinosaur obsessed and was determined to become a palaeontologist to make my Ellie Sattler dreams come true.

I think that's when I found out the power cinema holds. It's a medium where you can become those characters that you see on screen; one minute you could be a superhero, the next you're in space battling to save the human race and the next you're a panda who does Kung Fu. Being transported into these different worlds and really being who you want to be if you align with those characters is the best form of immersive escapism.

### Tell us about your Instagram page...

I wanted to create a space for those films that I didn't just want to give a quick rating after leaving the cinema, instead I wanted to analyse and unravel them further. I've always loved writing and being able to weave this into my love for films through reviews was something that I thought I'd share with the rest of the film community. My account reviews old and recent films in detail whilst also keeping spoiler free!

### What's your favourite film?

Gladiator. Without a doubt Gladiator. It's not one of those films you could watch everyday like a comfort film for the colossal runtime and sheer heaviness of the narrative but when you watch it again after a while it's just magic. The cinematography for starters is breath-taking, with careful thought and a pronounced eye for detail injected into every shot by Ridley Scott.



The score is just as stunning as it perfectly highlights the raw emotion of the characters whilst also complementing the beauty of the mise en scene. It's really a film for everyone with all bases covered: war, love, revenge, grief – it encapsulates so much and really brings you along for the captivating rollercoaster ride.

### What's the best film you've seen this year?

I think this year has been one of the best film years we've had since 2019 so there is definitely a lot to choose from! But I would have to say amongst all the remakes and sequels, Chevalier was a very refreshing watch. I have a review for it on my page if you wanted to hear more about why I love it!

You can see Josie's film reviews at [@insta.filmreview](https://www.instagram.com/insta.filmreview) on Instagram



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# Brighton Jazz Festival 2023

After the sell-out success in 2022, Brighton Jazz Festival will return from 5-8 October with four days of world class music featuring an amazing array of international jazz artists.

All concerts take place in Horatio's Bar at the end of the pier. Additional workshops and afterparties will be at The Verdict Jazz Club on Edward Street. The programme features four ticketed double-headliner evening events starting at 8pm plus a host of daytime events.

*The line-up includes:*

**Thursday 5th:** Prodigious young saxophonist/composer Emma Rawicz, who unveils her latest all-star band project; and Colectiva, a hotly tipped sisterhood who mix deep Latin grooves with the new wave of jazz.

**Friday 6th:** Genre-crossing seven-piece band Beyond The Blue; and Brown Penny, an exciting new project from multi-award-winning saxist/composer Cassie Kinosh.

**Saturday 7th:** New tenor sax star Maddy Coombs; Sara Oschlag, featured vocalist with Ronnie Scott's Orchestra; and US trumpeter and vocalist Benny Benack III, star of Postmodern Jukebox.



Jas Kayser

**Sunday 8th:** Jas Kayser with Afrobeat and fusion grooves, uplifting themes and blazing solos from a band of young musicians; and Cuban/Argentinian piano powerhouse Eliane Correa leads La Evolución Orchestra.

*Further information and tickets at [www.brightonjazzfestival.co.uk](http://www.brightonjazzfestival.co.uk)*

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## The Ukrainians

On Saturday 14 October (8pm), The Ukrainians will be appearing at PierFest, with the best songs from three decades of Eastern Folk Punk.

Using their British-born Ukrainian roots, the band mix eastern and western culture – singing in Ukrainian, using eastern ethnic instruments, but backed up with a western rock rhythm.

The Ukrainians were formed in 1991, the year Ukraine regained its independence from the Soviet Union. Their first single, 'Oi Divchino', became an NME Single of the Week. Most recently, they have been involved in numerous benefit gigs to raise money for refugees from the war with Russia. There will be an opportunity to support refugees at the gig both financially, and by cheering on the artists who support on the night.



The Ukrainians

*There's also a Ukraine International Arts Festival as part of PierFest on Friday 13 October. Tickets and more information from [latestmusicbar.co.uk/pierfest-2023](http://latestmusicbar.co.uk/pierfest-2023)*

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# Growing a wildlife garden

**How important is it to grow a garden for wildlife? Potentially very important.**

The natural world is what we all depend on, but it is being built on, bulldozed and ploughed up at an alarming rate. Research indicates a massive drop in populations of a wide range of wildlife species, with the UK being one of the most affected areas.

As citizens we owe it to the future to do something about that decline. The best thing we can do is to create some wild habitat to allow our native wildlife to breed and feed. There are huge paybacks. It has been shown that being out in the natural world improves both physical and mental health. Adding native plants to the built environment has many advantages, including reducing pollution and adding oxygen, and the ecological benefits are numerous.

If you have a garden it can be your own piece of the natural world. Wildlife gardens are something that have been written about for some time, because they have the potential to significantly help our native flora and fauna.

Leave some seed heads and fallen leaves; numerous insects use them for habitat and birds will pick out the seeds. Plant trees and shrubs like birch and holly, ivy on walls and trellis, wayfaring tree for flowers and berries and all sorts of flowers. Add water with a pond, even a small bowl sunk into the ground will bring in wildlife. Put up bird boxes, add insect 'hotels'; if you are

building, put in swift bricks. There are endless possibilities; information is available from the wildlife trusts, RSPB, BBC etc. Grow your space with wildlife in mind and they will come.

Insects are vital to life; the world depends on them. Bees, as the most talked about, pollinate our food; they need nectar and places to breed. Each insect has evolved with the native plants it feeds and breeds on, therefore the more native plants, the more food and habitat.

We now have a situation where gardens are increasingly paved over and plants removed. This has hugely detrimental effects on the environment. You can have parking AND plants. We changed our garden completely over five years from a largely concrete desert to a green oasis and we still have a parking space! Five years later we have a mass of mostly native plants, from birch and holly to a mix of flowers that feed a wide variety of insects.

If you care about the future of the planet, a wildlife garden, even a balcony, is an opportunity to do your bit and have a green space of your own that also helps wildlife.

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This article is by Amelia Christophides...

# Please help precious Pablo

**Pablo is a very kind, sociable and compassionate eight-year-old Afghan hound who adores human beings and animals alike.**

He is my most treasured companion as well as a much-loved Therapy Dog who gives love, joy and hope to many people on a daily basis.

Working for Therapy Dogs Nationwide, Pablo possesses a calm, peaceful and patient personality. Relating well with children of all ages, adults and those affected by mental and physical illness, he has the innate ability to connect with people and animals and intuitively feel when all is not well with them and give comfort accordingly.

Pablo is well known by both Sussex and Brighton University students with whom there is a natural affinity and a mutual rapport. Many students express how much Pablo helps them, especially when feeling stressed and homesick. We also work with people challenged by learning difficulties in a group called 'Speak Out' at The Brighthelm Centre. This group of people are absolutely enamoured by Pablo and one lady is overcoming her lifelong fear of dogs whilst others collaborated in creating a wonderful portrait of Pablo.

A month ago Pablo unfortunately became seriously unwell with a severe skin infection possibly caused by a parasite/insect bite which became infected and required hospitalisation. At the same time it was also discovered that Pablo was suffering with severe hip dysplasia and secondary advanced arthritis. This is a congenital disease that is hereditary. Witnessing the affected x-rays was devastating. A specialist orthopaedic vet advised that Pablo will have no quality of life going forward without double hip replacement surgery.

I have good insurance for Pablo but it only covers a fraction of the costs. I have therefore started a 'gofundme' appeal to help raise



the necessary funds for Pablo's medical fees. Medications alone are £1,000 a month and each hip replacement surgery will cost £7,000 excluding aftercare and hydrotherapy costs. Ongoing treatment fees for Pablo's skin are paid separately. The specialist referral clinic is a two-hour car journey so there are travelling costs and overnight stays to pay as well.

There is absolutely no doubt that Pablo deserves our help. He gives so much love and joy freely.


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A new exhibition opening at Brighton Museum in October...

# Lee Miller...Dressed

14 October 2023 – 18 February 2024

A new exhibition documenting life through the clothes of Vogue model turned photo-journalist Lee Miller opens at Brighton Museum in October, coinciding with a new film, "Lee", exploring her life, starring Kate Winslet in the lead role.

This exhibition will examine her many lives - photographer, surrealist, model, war correspondent, writer, traveller and cook - through fashion and dress, beginning in Paris in the late 1920s and ending in Sussex in the mid-1950s.

The display focuses on seven places and times in Lee's life. It includes her Parisian fashion of the 1930s and her fashionable dress worn in New York, jodhpurs, bathing wear and

traditional folk dress from travel in Egypt and Europe with surrealist friends and artists. You can see her military uniform from her work as a war correspondent, and maternity dress celebrating life in rural Sussex as a surrealist host. The wardrobe will be seen alongside her photography.

Curator Martin Pel said: 'The chance discovery of the trunks of Lee Miller's clothes at her home in Sussex is extraordinary - and revelatory. Clothes are so personal that to be able to tell the story of one of the most incredible people of the 20th century through her clothing alongside her work is really a dream project.'

*More information at [brightonmuseums.org.uk](http://brightonmuseums.org.uk)*



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# Jogging the memory...

## ..through friendly chatting about sport

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Memories are jogged in a variety of ways at a weekly Sporting Memories gathering at St George's Church, Kemptown. Every Monday morning at 10am the Brighton Sporting Memories group meet and chat in a convivial atmosphere. It's a great way to start the week!

The Sporting Memories Foundation is a UK-wide charitable body that utilises sport to stimulate the brains and minds of people, some of whom may have memory problems. It can be surprising how much is remembered with a bit of friendly recall and a cup of tea or coffee. This approach has been found to be helpful for



people who have a diagnosis of dementia.

There are Sporting Memories clubs all over Sussex thanks to the energy and support of the Sussex Cricket Foundation who are the umbrella group for a number of clubs across the county. There are two clubs that meet weekly not far away in Hove and others further afield.

The weekly meeting lasts about 90 minutes and combines interest in current sporting activities with reminiscence about sport over the years. There are quizzes, spot the ball, word games and puzzles - all with a sporting theme. Sometimes we divert from the sporting theme with remembrances of films and music over the years. There is also activity with an occasional game of boccia on the church lawn - an enjoyable game that is a bit like bowls or petanque.

The Brighton group is jointly run by volunteers Thurstine Basset and Alastair Hignell. Alastair is also a patron of Sporting Memories and has enjoyed a distinguished career both playing cricket and rugby at a high level and working as a sports reporter and commentator. Thurstine has lived in Brighton for almost 50 years and is a keen sports fan.

The weekly gatherings are a chance to meet others, chat and make friends. Anyone with a love of sport is welcome and people with memory problems or with a diagnosis of dementia are particularly welcome.

For more information please contact Thurstine Basset: [thurstinebasset@gmail.com](mailto:thurstinebasset@gmail.com) or Emma Brooke: [emma.brooke@sussexcricket.co.uk](mailto:emma.brooke@sussexcricket.co.uk)

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