

Landport Residents' Association

Summer 2021 Newsletter



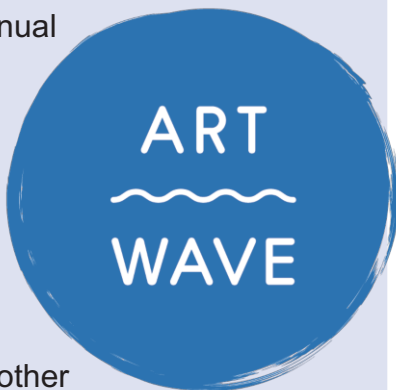
Calling all artists and makers...

Artwave is an annual festival of artists and makers from Lewes, Seaford, Newhaven, and the surrounding villages that gives artists the chance to show their work, meet other artists and makers, and sell their work. At their last meeting on May 12, the Landport Residents Association agreed that the estate should host *Artwave* for two days on the 24th and 25th of September in the Community Hub.

This is a great opportunity for artists and makers on the estate, as this year due to Covid-19 restrictions, artists are not allowed to open their houses for the festival. So, if you have been busy during the lockdowns and would like the opportunity to display your work, please get in touch with me by emailing:

jtq@live.co.uk

as we have a suitable venue on the doorstep.



The Landport Annual Community Barbecue is back!

Landport residents and their families are warmly invited to our annual BBQ on Eridge Green which takes place on Wednesday 25 August 2021 between 6pm and 8.30pm. Sponsored by Landport Stores and the Landport Residents' Association, this year the event will be bigger and better than ever. There'll be a prize draw, tombola, Community Café food, DJ, games,



a *Landport's Got Talent* competition and a dog show.



Don't forget your sun cream!



Community Café

The café will be operating a delivery service for the foreseeable future due to the pandemic. All menus can be seen on the Community Café Facebook page on Thursdays and the food can be ordered via the page or by texting 07598 087455. This year the café will be closed over the summer holidays, but we'll be helping the Landport Residents Association out with catering this year at the BBQ and opening again the following week.





Landport Foodbank

The number of people using the Foodbank has increased to 51 households (23 families and 28 singles/couples) during the pandemic as people are made redundant, experience benefit delays or other issues. Despite this increase in demand, we continue to manage well thanks to a dedicated team of volunteers, who mostly live on the estate. FareShare, the UK's longest running food redistribution charity, continue to deliver food supplies to us weekly, but we are getting less than we did a couple of months ago. This means we are

having to buy fresh fruit and vegetables to top up more and more often. If you can help our efforts and your community by



donating fresh food or other supplies, please don't hesitate - you can drop these off on Mondays between 10am and 1pm.

The foodbanks across Lewes are planning an event with a local playwright to raise awareness of poverty in the town, which will take place on Saturday 4th September at the Linklaker Pavilion. Look out for further information nearer the time.

Lastly, all our clients at Landport Foodbank must be referred to us by a professional agency. Email: debbietwitchen@gmail.com for any help or information.

Lewes Library of Things

Lewes Library of Things (LLOT) is a new project that seeks to address

inequality and reduce consumption and waste by giving local people the opportunity to borrow the items they need for short term or one-off use at a reasonable cost. From tools for DIY to a gazebo for a family celebration, you will no longer need to spend money on buying an item that will only be used for a few hours, or that you don't have room to store in your home.

The Lewes Library of Things will operate for three mornings a week from the Community Room, 2a Horsfield Road, BN7 2TA on the Landport Estate. There will be different memberships available including a low-income



option that will allow you to support the project financially and get a discount on the usual daily fee rate. We are aiming to launch the website - www.leweslibraryofthings.org.uk - where you will be able to reserve items to borrow in mid-June, and we are aiming to launch the scheme on 1 July.

We want to provide a mobile service, reducing journeys and ensuring that those who do not have a car can still obtain heavy or unwieldy items, so we aim to buy an electric vehicle or cargo bike that can go into other parts of the Lewes District such as Newhaven and Seaford. If you like the idea of a Lewes Library of Things, then please visit our facebook page [@Leweslibraryofthings](https://www.facebook.com/Leweslibraryofthings).

If you would like to donate any items that are in a condition good enough to loan out or have suggestions as to what you might borrow then email: golocallewes@gmail.com

Lastly, if you would like to support us through a donation then visit our local giving fundraising page at:

www.localgiving.org/charity/golocalcic



We love our
neighbourhood



Bag and bin your dog poo
– any bin will do!

It's not a problem to be sniffed at...

The poo problem on the Landport Estate is not new, but over the last 12 months it's become a poodemic. Every dog produces about 340g of waste a day full of viruses and bacteria, so there's no excuse not to clear up afterwards, and the law says you must remove any mess caused by a dog under your control.

In the Lewes District, 'poop scoop' requirements apply to all land open to the air to which the public have access, including:

- All roads, footpaths, verges, walkways, and passageways
- Parks and gardens
- Recreation and sports grounds
- Open amenity areas
- Surface area car parks
- Beaches and promenades

A Public Space Protection Order also applies in the Lewes District which means that it is an offence for anyone to fail to remove dog poo deposited by a dog for which they are responsible - failure to do so can result in a £1000 fine. You can report dog fouling on website at:

www.lewes-eastbourne.gov.uk/dog-fouling



Calling for Wilder Gardens Champions!

Want to learn more about wildlife and how your garden can become a haven? Want training to become a Wilder Garden Champion and inspire your neighbours as well?

A complete beginner or a seasoned expert, or you have another gift, there is a place for you within this project, all are welcome. We understand a garden needs to suit your family and that even formal gardens and non-native plants can support wildlife. Together with friends, neighbours, and hopefully whole streets we can create corridors and homes for struggling wildlife. Let's be the change we want to see, the time to act is now and together we can step up for wildlife. Please contact **Jessie Rodriguez** on infowildergardens@yahoo.com or via the Greenhaven's Network on Facebook. This Greenhaven's project is funded by the Enjoolata Foundation.



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Using the internet...

Nowadays it's difficult to find any information without using the internet. Everything from bus timetables, shop and doctors' surgery opening times to the HM Revenue and Customs, the Department for Work and Pensions, energy companies and even Lewes District Council are all online. Everyone wants to communicate with their customers and clients this way because it is cheaper.

But, for people without a computer or a smartphone, or people who haven't learnt how to use them, this can be a big problem. The LRA and Citizens Advice Bureau have joined forces to try and find out if any residents would be interested in help to use the internet.

If you think some help and support would be useful to you, please telephone 01273 478155 or 01273 483185 and simply leave a message with your contact details. Or you can write a note and pop it through the letter box at the Tenants Resource Centre (2a Horsfield Road). This will help us to get some idea of what the needs are so we can make plans to help.

Dates for your diary

Landport Residents Association Summer BBQ
25 August 2021 between 6pm and 8.30pm

Landport Residents Association meeting –
23 June from 7pm to 8.30pm. If you'd like more details or would like to attend in person, please contact: debbietwitchen@googlemail.com

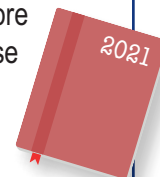
The Book Club –

Takes place every third Wednesday at 7pm.

For details, email: debbietwitchen@googlemail.com

The Landport Foodbank – Open for donations between 10am and 1pm every Monday.

Litter pick – Takes place on the first Sunday of the month. Meet at the Tenant Resource Centre (2a Horsfield Road) at 11am.



Message from Sarah Cager (Senior Caseworker – Housing)

Neighbourhood First and I will conduct a full estate inspection in June to pick up on a variety of issues, and this will be repeated every quarter. Regular block inspections will also be taking place on a routine basis.

School Uniform Bank

The deadline for referrals this year is Monday 5 July, and the uniform will be delivered via Foodbanks or by Emily for non-food bank clients.

Name of Parent/Guardian/Carer:

Mobile number:

Email address:

Preferred method of contact: _____

School(s):

Are you a LDC Tenant? (This information is only used for funding purposes and has no bearing on the referral.)

Referral pathway (please tick)

Social Worker School – Head Teacher/SENCO

Food Bank Manager GP/Social Prescriber

Parent/Guardian signature:

If you need help with a uniform, please complete the form below, tear it off & then pop it through the letter box of the Tenant Resource Centre, 2a Horsfield Road.

Age/s of children: _____

Shoe size/s: _____

Top size/s: _____

Trousers/skirt size/s: _____

Total number of children: _____

Uniform required (please tick as necessary)

Age/size: _____

Jumper Blazer Shirt

Airtex/polo shirt Trousers

Skirt Shorts Age/size

Summer dress (please tick as necessary)

Tights Socks PE shorts PE top

Rugby shirt Plimsols School Bag

All information on this form is kept strictly confidential and will not be shared with any third party. This form will be kept for six months before being destroyed. We will only contact you regarding the collection of school uniform or activities relating to Lewes School Uniform Bank. By signing this document you are consenting to these terms.