

July '23 Peasmarsh Periodical



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There is good news and not so good news this month

The good news is that, from Sunday [July 23rd], we will have an improved bus service on the 313 route. The key points are that we now have two additional buses – both evening services – and there is a Sunday service : four buses each way, albeit daytime only.

Full details are on page 3 where you can also find a link to a downloadable version of the new timetable which you can print and stick on the fridge door.

The not so good news is that the Examiner has decided that he should hold a public hearing as part of his examination of the parish Neighbourhood Development Plan. Whilst it is good in the sense of democratic process, it is not so good news in the sense that it significantly increases the overall timescale of the examination.

The public hearing is scheduled to take place on Thursday September 21st in the Memorial Hall.

More information is available on page 2.

Page 4 is a repeat of last month's article on the Flexibus service. Have you used it yet? We would like to hear of people's experiences with the service.

Neighbourhood Plan Examination

The Examiner has decided that he should hold a public hearing as part of his examination of the parish Neighbourhood Development Plan. The full text of his notice to that effect has been published in the Vault on the PNDP website :

<https://www.peasmarshndp.uk/vault/exnot.pdf>

The public hearing will take place on **Thursday 21st September 2023** in the Memorial Hall. Note, however, that the Examiner is very clear that, although it is a public hearing, only specific parties can participate.

The key questions that are to be addressed are, in precis, as follows :

- what is the amount of housing development that is appropriate for the village up to 2039, particularly given the size of the Pippins site, and is the parish location within an AONB a limiting factor?
- is the extent and capacity of the existing drainage infrastructure a constraint on how much development can be accommodated in the parish and what infrastructure improvements should developers be expected to provide?
- will sustainable drainage solutions be capable of overcoming surface water flooding issues or should sites which are known to flood be compared with other sites with less flooding risk?
- where should the new homes be allocated relative to local services and should sites away from the development boundary be allocated, especially if the sites are for purely affordable housing?

The Examiner will be in the parish the day before the hearing, visiting some of the sites considered during the preparation of the Plan. In his notice he makes it clear that the visits are to familiarise himself with the sites and that no representations will be taken. Please do not try and approach the Examiner, should you see him, other than a polite greeting.

Better Bus Timetable!

East Sussex has introduced an enhanced service on the 313 bus route – including a Sunday service. The new timetable takes effect from Sunday July 23 and in the tables below new services are **highlighted**.

The **weekday** buses to Rye from School Lane are now :

07:26 | 08:28 | 10:34 | 12:34 | 14:34 | 16:34 | **18:40** | **21:07**

The buses from Rye [Station] are now :

08:39 | 09:40 | 11:40 | 13:40 | 15:45 | 17:17 | **18:21** | 19:21 | **21:35**

and 9 minutes later at School Lane for going to Northiam

The **Saturday** buses to Rye from School Lane are now :

10:29 | 12:29 | 14:29 | 16:39 | **18:35** | **21:07**

The buses from Rye [Station] are now :

09:40 | 11:40 | 13:40 | **15:40** | **18:21** | **19:21** | **21:35** [*17:17 dropped*]

The **Sunday** buses to Rye from School Lane are :

09:27 | **11:39** | **13:39** | **15:39**

The buses from Rye [Station] are :

10:58 | **12:58** | **14:58** | **16:58**

Although the service is still not perfect [for instance many of the buses to Rye are scheduled to arrive so that you just miss the trains and the buses from Rye leave just before the trains arrive] it is a vast improvement.

We need to use the service to show that it must stay : **use it or lose it!**

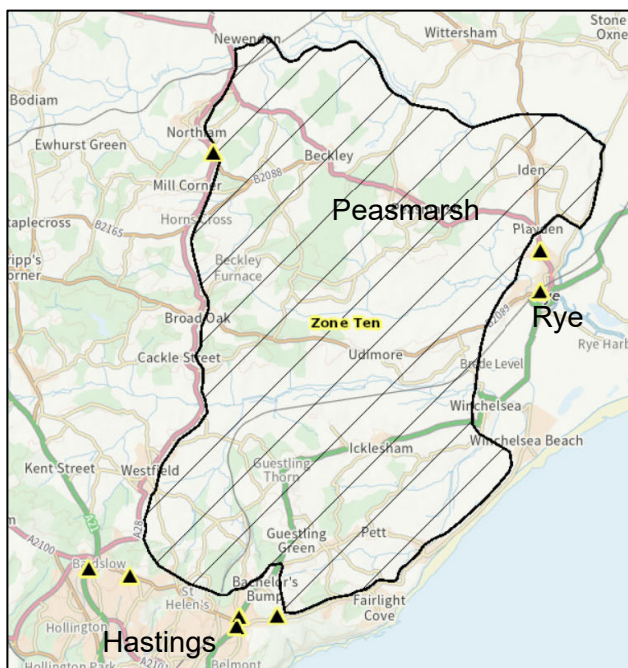
The new timetable is available on the PNDP website as a pdf document which can be printed off :

<https://www.peasmarshndp.uk/vault/buses0723.pdf>

Flexibus is Here!

Flexibus is very good news for Peasmarch : it is a bit like having a local Uber service – at the price of a bus ticket [which means that it is free after 09:30 if you have a Freedom Pass!].

Our Flexibus operates in an area as far as the A28 and there are significant destinations outside of that including Rye Hospital / Medical Centre, Rye Station, Northiam, the Conquest and various Hastings shopping places [all the black triangles] – all from your front door :



The service, which is door to door within the area, operates from 07:00 to 19:00. You can book a ride by calling 01273 078203 or on your smart phone using a service called [Ride Pingo](#). You can book up to 30 minutes before you want to travel or up to 7 days in advance.

We are told this is a three month trial : **use it or lose it!**

Find out more at :

<https://www.eastsussex.gov.uk/roads-transport/public/flexibus>

What's On in Peasmarsh

The next two pages will help you find something of interest. Most are **regular events** but there are some **one-off events** returning to the parish as well. All are in the **Memorial Hall** unless noted otherwise :

bookings.peasmarshmh@gmail.com.

Lunch Club – call Sosi on 07798 556 999

Run by Sosi from Hands of Hope on the first Monday of the month from 11am to 2pm – coffee, lunch and entertainment for just £8. Popular with older people, the club supports independence and wellbeing and has a positive impact on nutrition.

Film Club – call Terry on 07533 193 801

The Film Club meets on the second Friday of the month : doors open 7.15pm and the film starts 7.30pm.

The June evening was the last of the 2022/23 season so the club has started its summer recess. The new season will start in September.

Parish Council Meeting

The Parish Council will meet on the first Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm. The public may attend but not participate but there is a 15 minute slot for public contributions at the start of the meeting : **have your say!**

Your District and County councillors try to attend each meeting which allows your views to be brought to the attention of those councils.

Flower Arranging – call Dierdre on 01797 230208

The Flower Arranging group meets every second Wednesday of the month from 10am to 12 noon.

Pilates – email lizzietuff@gmail.com

The Pilates group meets every Thursday from 11.15am to 12.15pm.

Yoga – call India on 07946 043 919

The Yoga group meets every Tuesday evening from 5.15pm to 6.30pm.

There is more 'What's On' over the page ...

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Parish Church of St Peter and St Paul

Holy Eucharist is celebrated in our parish church on alternate Sundays at 10am. We typically start in Peasmarsh with the first Sunday of the month and alternate with Beckley.

Variety Class – call Julie on 07877 088 318 or email canz2004@yahoo.com

The Variety Class group meets every Friday morning from 10.30am to 11.30am. Include chair/line dancing, singing and dance routines.

The variety class is cancelled until further notice : please contact Julie for more information.

Healing Angels – call Lindy on 07594 660 950 or email mlindyalton@yahoo.co.uk

Reiki, Massage, complementary therapies and more at the hall, bookable by appointment.

Dress Making Group – call Celia on 07778 181 346 or email celiapollington@aol.com

A regular activity on the 4th Monday of the month from 1.15pm to 3.15pm, starting January 23. Mixed ability classes – all welcome.

Games Club

Company, board games and hot drinks every Thursday from 2 to 4pm. Come along or come and help.

Art Exhibition – call Mike on 07447 583 894 or email michael.preston45@gmail.com

There will be another art exhibition on the weekend of July 29 and 30.

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