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Welcome the September **'electronic newsletter'** giving you a brief summary of what has happened and what is planned on the Park. We aim to produce this on a monthly basis to keep you up to date with progress. This is the Business Park newsletter so if you have any interesting articles or good news stories that you would like published please send them in to admin@lancingbusinesspark.co.uk and we will include any suitable material in future newsletters.

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Shoreham Vehicle Auctions 50 Years Trading Celebrations

Shoreham Vehicle Auctions are celebrating 50 years of trading and held the first of several planned charity Auctions on Monday 19th September. All sorts of donated items were auctioned and a Brighton and Hove Albion signed shirt fetched £220 and a cricket bat signed by members of the Sussex County Club (kindly donated by Parafix) fetched £250. The first event raised nearly £1800 to the benefit of the Chestnut Tree Hospice The subsequent auctions raised a further £3200 auctioning items such as a P reg Escort Estate which raised £300, 4 Tickets for Drusillas Park that raised £170 and even a cuddly toy namely a small teddy bear that raised £100! The two other Charities to benefit were BEN and the RSPCA. Alan Agate of Shoreham Vehicle Auctions said *"The auctions were a huge success and restored our faith in human nature. Almost every item fetched more than we expected"*



Reporting Criminal Activity



Evidence suggests there is an increase in criminal activity on the Business Park. This is mainly, but not exclusively, theft of scrap from open skips but nevertheless the trend is upwards. It might be a good idea to spend a few minutes to look at your own premises and look critically at the security provisions. There are additional security measures available to you from different companies but please contact the office for more information on companies able to provide measures tailored for business use.

It is **very important** that the Police are informed of any criminal activity on the Business Park no matter how small.

This allows the Police to build a bigger picture of any crimes taking place. Crimes can be reported either over the telephone or online at www.sussex.police.uk/contact-us/report-a-crime-or-incident

If you report crime online **you will still be issued with a crime number**. Please make a note of the link for future reference.

Road Repairs

A further meeting is being held on Thursday 29th September with Peter Montyn, the Cabinet Member with the responsibility for Highways where we should receive information regarding the decisions concerning the roads. A further news bulletin will be issued following this meeting explaining the outcomes and what we can expect.

An offer from our New Sponsor



Dear Members of Lancing Business Park

Just a quick note from us here at HR Smart. We are still offering all business on the Park the chance to have your existing contracts of employment reviewed for **FREE** – yes **FREE**, with no obligation. We also want to let you know that from 1st October 2011, there is a rise in the National Minimum Wage rates and these are below.

From 1st October 2011

Aged 21 or over = £6.08 per hour **Aged 18 – 20** = £4.98 per hour **Aged 16 – 17** = £3.68

Apprentices = £2.60 per hour

We shall also be distributing our own detailed newsletter shortly; we hope you enjoy it. If you have any feedback for us, please contact us on 01903 754107 or if you would like to know more about the services we can provide, take a look at our website www.hrsmartuk.com

Additional Cleansing Exercise

The additional cleansing work around the roads took place as scheduled on Sunday 7th August. In the main this was very beneficial however there were still a number of areas that could not be swept properly due to parked vehicles. Subsequently 'No Parking' notices were erected in specific areas giving advanced warning of sweeping. Unfortunately these were largely ignored and lengths of some roads remain unswept. This was very disappointing because it is these areas that give the Business Park its scruffy

appearance. On this point it is incumbent on all of us to keep our own house in order and this includes the state of the land within your boundary. There are good and bad examples of this across the park, so whilst checking on your security have a critical look at whether the surrounding areas of your building can be tidied up. Often this is just a case of removing the weed growth and a few minutes work in this respect will help the overall appearance.

Road Safety

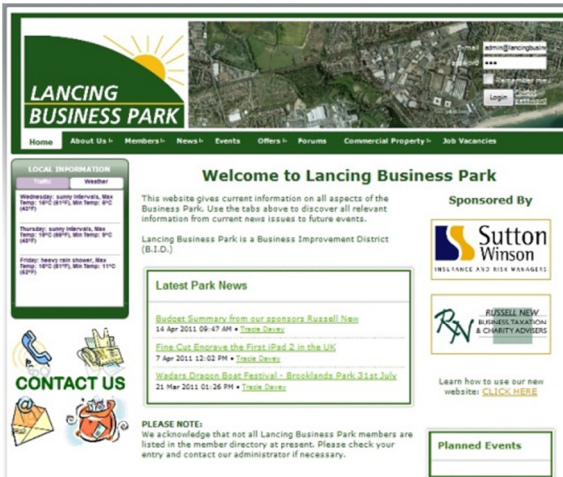
Regrettably there was a serious road accident on the Business Park on Friday 16th September where a motorbike collided with a push bike. The cyclist sustained severe injuries and we wish him a speedy recovery. This accident does however highlight issues on road safety and once again awareness of this subject should be raised. For Managers reading this newsletter please remind your staff again of the necessity to exercise care on the roads around the Business Park and not to exceed the 30mph speed limit.

Unattached Trailers parked on the Roads.

A number of complaints have been made concerning various trailers that are parked on the roads around the Business Park. This matter is currently under investigation with the Road Traffic Authorities and has been raised with the various trailer operators. Please note that it is not necessarily illegal to park unattached trailers on the roads however there are certain rules and regulations that do apply and it is these that are being looked at currently.

Website

The traffic on the website is increasing week on week. We have member offers regularly being added on the website alongside external offers from companies situated off the Business Park.



Remember to keep checking the website as we regularly add important news updates. If you have any good news stories please email us at admin@lancingbusinesspark.co.uk and we will add them to the website.

The listing of job vacancies is a free service we offer to all business park members so if you are looking for staff please email admin@lancingbusinesspark.co.uk and we will place your advert on the website for you.

Please take a few minutes to check your listing and inform us of anything incorrect or any changes that need to be made.

Revised Postal Addresses

Information has now been received from Adur and Worthing Councils with the preliminary list of the revised numbering for properties on Lancing Business Park. Ken will endeavour to visit all businesses over the forthcoming weeks to verify the details on these lists. It is unclear at this time if there will be any changes to existing postcodes and Adur and Worthing Councils are waiting for feedback from the Royal Mail in this respect.

Do you have any additional contacts for our Newsletter Distribution List?

The database of addresses used for the distribution of this newsletter is mainly generic emails of the businesses on the Park. We know that 40% of the emails were opened. Anyone working on the Business Park can receive the newsletters automatically. If you know of anyone who would benefit from receiving this newsletter please email admin@lancingbusinesspark.co.uk with the request and your contact will be added to our distribution list.