



**15<sup>th</sup> JULY 2021**

Sevenoaks Town Council annually enters parts of the town into the 'South & South East In Bloom' Competition, which recognises the importance of green spaces and cultivated gardens within our towns & villages across the country.

## How can I help?

- **Lend a hand** at Vine Garden Community Planting Day
- **Help** to keep your parks and green areas clean
  - **Pick up litter** in your area
  - **Encourage** more recycling

To get involved, Contact us on:

Email: [osl@sevenoakstown.gov.uk](mailto:osl@sevenoakstown.gov.uk)

Phone: **01732 459953**





# The Archbishop's Palace Conservation Trust



If you live or work in the Darent Valley you will probably know that the Former Archbishop's Palace at Otford, Kent is a collection of early 16<sup>th</sup> Century buildings. The extensive scheduled monument site has a rich history and exceptional heritage significance. The remains of the Palace, built by Archbishop Warham, hold exceptional heritage significance for the evidence they provide of the early 16<sup>th</sup> Century Palace. The buildings make a significant contribution to the Otford Conservation Area but are not currently open to the public.

Our aim is to use the site and buildings of the Tudor Palace and the Otford Heritage Collection, to engage with the community from North-West Kent, and London in the heritage of the Darent Valley. The intended impact is to help the local area learn about this heritage, and thus change their attitudes and behaviours. Those directly involved as volunteers will acquire new skills, particularly as visitor guides, and museum tasks. The physical focus of this activity will be the North-West Tower of the Palace and the Gatehouse. This will create a centre for the interpretation of the Darent Valley with its 4000-year history a secure educational study centre for field study visits to the Heritage Village of Otford. The Otford Heritage collection will be the focus for educational outreach and exploration. Alongside physical works we will extend our existing programme of activities to include a digital resource and open access community workshops. These opportunities and new resources will enable people to learn new curating and volunteering skills which we anticipate will add to social and community cohesion and local pride. Our proposed project will bring the former Archbishop's Palace buildings back into good condition, carefully repairing their fabric, minimising their environmental impact, and sensitively adding new facilities, to bring them back into a wide range of community, educational and heritage uses.

This raises the question: What uses would **the community** envisage for the Palace site and buildings? We would like to get your views to help us answer that question:

**We ask any interested people to write us a short email (or long email if you prefer!) using your imagination about the activities that we could organise with you, uses that would help you meet your aims and aspirations.**

More information is available on our website at <https://otfordpalace.org> and Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/Otfordpalace>

email [secretary@otfordpalace.org](mailto:secretary@otfordpalace.org)



Learn more about the  
Archbishop's Palace here!





With Love,  
Nature

Bligh's Market takes place every Saturday in Bligh's Meadow Car Park,  
from 9am - 4pm



Hi, we are an eco friendly one stop shop called With Love, Nature. We sell a variety of personal care, beauty products, home cleaning & accessories and pet care & toys, as well as sustainable gifts/bundles. All of our products are vegan friendly, cruelty free, made from natural ingredients by small UK businesses, and packaged in eco friendly packaging. We think of the environment in everything we do, which is why you'll never find any of our products wrapped in single use plastic! We think of the little details, even down to our business cards that are made from recycled T-shirt cut offs that would have otherwise gone to landfill.

Keep an eye out on our socials/website for our upcoming events, you don't want to miss a thing!

***With Love, Nature***

Website - [www.withlovenature.co.uk](http://www.withlovenature.co.uk)  
Facebook - @withlovenatureshop  
Instagram - @withlovenatureshop  
TikTok - @withlovenatureshop  
Email - [hello@withlovenature.co.uk](mailto:hello@withlovenature.co.uk)



# We are welcoming Sew Shweet and Shhh Boutique, as new traders at Bligh's Market!

Bligh's Market takes place every Saturday in  
Bligh's Meadow Car Park, from 9am – 4pm

## SEW SHWEET



Handmade teddy bears and other soft toys; fabric; picnic blankets; bags; handknitted baby cot blankets; baby onesies and bibs.

All handmade in South Africa by underprivileged communities. Some items are made from recycled rPET bottles that have been made into fabric and bags.



## SHHH BOUTIQUE

Shhh Boutique sells Ladies clothing and accessories



For more information please contact [osl@sevenoakstown.gov.uk](mailto:osl@sevenoakstown.gov.uk)



We are delighted to announce that we are back performing in the open air at The White Rock Inn at Underriver (TN15 0SB) this summer, with

## THE COMPLETE WORKS OF WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE (ABRIDGED)

A hilarious comedy by Adam Long, Daniel Singer and Jess Winfield

Our director Jessica-Ann Jenner writes: "Last year we weren't able to share a Shakespeare play with you, so this year we thought we'd do them all! That's right, all 37 plays performed by three very talented and possibly quite insane actors, in less than two hours. We might even throw in a few of the sonnets for good measure! With guaranteed comedy, romance, tragedy and an inflatable dinosaur, this is the Bard as you've never seen him before.

The dates are:

July 8th, 9th and 10th at 7.45pm, July 11th at 3.30pm  
July 15th, 16th and 17th at 7.45pm, July 18th at 3.30pm



Ticket prices £13.50 in advance, £15 on the door. Children 16 and under, full-time students £5.

Book online here (no booking fee) or by telephone 0333 6663366 (NB booking fee £1.80)

It's an open air show and the evenings can be chilly, so please bring warm clothing, and rugs or low-backed folding chairs to sit on.

Pre-show drinks and meals at the White Rock Inn can be booked on 01732 833112 or [www.thewhiterockinn.co.uk](http://www.thewhiterockinn.co.uk).

Please note that only food and drink purchased on the premises may be consumed in the pub garden.



Join us for...

# Vine Gardens Community Planting Day



**Saturday 10th July**  
**Vine Gardens, Dartford Rd, TN13 3SY**  
**10:00AM - 1:00PM**

Come and spend time outside enjoying the fresh air and plant some flowers in Vine Gardens. Meet new people and celebrate the role gardens, plants and the environment have on our health and well-being.

Tools will be provided, but feel free to bring your own.

For more information please contact:

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## **BEST DRESSED WINDOW COMPETITION**

The theme this year is red, orange & yellow  
linked with edible plants.

The business with the best dressed window will win a free  
stand at the Sevenoaks Business Show and publicity. Judging  
will be by the Mayor of Sevenoaks and  
Chair of the Chamber of Commerce.

Displays throughout the whole of July with judging on or just  
after the 15th.

To enter send a photo to  
[townteam@sevenoakstown.gov.uk](mailto:townteam@sevenoakstown.gov.uk) or  
call Mike Reid on 01732 459953





- **A new business?**
- **Fed up with commuting?**
- **Working from home not working for you?**
- **Looking for flexibility in your business accommodation needs?**
- **Wanting to work in a supportive business atmosphere and to meet like-minded people?**
- **Easy parking!**



**sevenoaks  
business  
hub**

## **Some of the reasons why the Sevenoaks Business Hub will meet your requirements.**

The Hub is newly established, finished and furnished to a high standard, offering a choice of office permutations with no fixed term. Accommodation options range from open plan hot desking, through reserved hot desking to private single desk office pods. Hires are available full day or half days 7am - 1.00pm and 1.15pm - 9pm.

### **Features and Facilities include:**

- Access 7am – 9pm, Monday to Saturday
- Meeting room for 8 people
- Great up to the minute connectivity
- Cycle parking and shower rooms
- Free on-site parking
- Electric vehicle charging points
- Kitchen with café area and break-out lounge
- Decked outdoor area with seating
- Easy access, with Sevenoaks Rail Station 0.9 miles, Bat & Ball Rail Station 0.4 miles, Service 8 bus service to the door and Go2 on-demand transport.

Business related functions can be hosted on a private or communal basis. The advantageous pricing includes rent, business rates, Wi-Fi, utilities, cleaning & maintenance.

The Business Hub is situated in Bradbourne Vale Road, TN13 3QG, home to Sevenoaks Town Council Offices. Sevenoaks & District Chamber of Commerce is based at the Hub and manages the booking system and other arrangements. The Council and Chamber are both keen to foster enterprise in the town and hence the motivation to provide a high-class facility offering total flexibility at very reasonable rates.



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**For more information visit  
[www.sevenoakstown.gov.uk](http://www.sevenoakstown.gov.uk)**