



25th January 2025

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the **SEVENOAKS TOWN COUNCIL** to be held in the **Council Chamber, Town Council Offices, Bradbourne Vale Road, Sevenoaks, TN13 3QG** on **Monday 3rd March 2025 at 7.00 pm**. Town Councillors are reminded that they have a duty to state a Declaration of Interest prior to the appropriate agenda item and to consider the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 s.17 when reaching a decision.

Please note, proceedings of this meeting will be streamed live to YouTube for the public to watch via the following link: <https://youtube.com/live/nWolAgH2tIY> and may be recorded in line with regulations set out in the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014. A copy of Sevenoaks Town Council's procedure for the recording of meetings is available online at sevenoakstown.gov.uk or by request.

Members of the public wishing to address the Council Meeting should notify the Town Council by 12 noon on the day of the meeting. Members of the public not wishing to be recorded should put this request to the Clerk at the earliest possible opportunity.

Town Clerk

To assist in the speedy and efficient despatch of business, members wishing to obtain factual information on items included on the agenda are asked to enquire of the Town Clerk prior to the day of the meeting.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS

To enable any questions previously submitted by members of the public on any matter to be drawn to the attention of the Town Council.

AGENDA

1	<u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u> To receive and note apologies for absence.	—
2	<u>REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS</u> To consider written requests from Members which have previously been submitted to the Town Clerk to enable participation in discussion and voting on	—

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	items for which the Member has a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest. (s.31 & s.33 of the Localism Act 2011).											
3	<u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u> To receive any declarations of interest from members in respect of any items of business included in this report.	—										
4	<u>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING</u> To receive, adopt and sign the Minutes of the meeting of the Sevenoaks Town Council held on 20 th January 2025 as a true record.	Attached										
5	<u>MINUTES OF COMMITTEES</u> Council is asked to consider and adopt the Minutes of the following Committee meetings:	Copies circulated separately and available on request										
5.1	Planning & Environment Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 27th January 2025• 10th February 2025• 24th February 2025											
5.2	Finance & Delivery Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 20th January 2025											
5.3	Community & Wellbeing Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3rd February 2025											
6	<u>OUTCOME OF COMPLAINT PANEL HEARING</u> To note outcome of Complaint Panel Hearing:	—										
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7	<p><u>FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST</u></p> <p>To note following request received under the Freedom of Information Act 2000:</p> <table><tr><th>Date Received</th><th>Date Responded</th><th>From</th><th>Topic</th><th>STC Hours to respond</th></tr><tr><td>06.02.25</td><td>18.02.25</td><td>RFO</td><td>1. A list of all voluntary organisations and charities that currently receive financial support from Sevenoaks Town Council. 2. The amount allocated to each of these organisations in the most recent budget.</td><td>2</td></tr></table>	Date Received	Date Responded	From	Topic	STC Hours to respond	06.02.25	18.02.25	RFO	1. A list of all voluntary organisations and charities that currently receive financial support from Sevenoaks Town Council. 2. The amount allocated to each of these organisations in the most recent budget.	2	-
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8	<p><u>REPORTS TO COUNCIL – STC REPRESENTATIVES ON EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS</u></p> <p>To receive reports from representatives on external organisations, if any.</p>	—										
9	<p><u>MAYOR’S ENGAGEMENTS</u></p> <p>To receive and note:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) the functions attended by the Mayor or her representative up to 25th February 2025b) the forthcoming Civic Events being organised by the Mayor during 2024/2025.	Attached Attached										
10	<p><u>PRESS RELEASE</u></p> <p>To consider any agenda item which would be appropriate for a press release.</p>	—										

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Sevenoaks Town Council
Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on 20th January 2025
Held in the Council Chamber, Town Council offices, TN13 3QG

Livestreamed and available to view on YouTube until approved by Council:
<https://youtube.com/live/JYdNgcXy0dQ>

Meeting Commenced: 8.05 p.m.

Meeting Concluded: 8.37 p.m.

Cllr Libby Ancrum, Mayor	Present	Cllr Sally Layne	Apologies
Cllr Sue Camp	Present	Cllr Lise Michaelides	Present
Cllr Dr Marilyn Canet	Present	Cllr Lionel O'Hara	Apologies
Cllr Tony Clayton, Deputy Mayor	Present	Cllr David Skinner OBE	Present
Cllr Catherine Daniell, Deputy Leader	Apologies	Cllr Claire Shea	Present
Cllr Dr Peter Dixon	Present	Cllr Nick Varley	Apologies
Cllr Victoria Granville	Apologies	Cllr Gareth Willis	Apologies
Cllr Chloe Gustard	Apologies	Cllr Nigel Wightman, Leader	Apologies

In Attendance: Town Clerk, Deputy Town Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer, and Senior Committee Clerk

Members of the Public in Attendance: 0

Representations received from Members of the Public: None

516 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for Absence were received and accepted as shown above.

517 Requests for Dispensations

There were no requests for dispensation received.

518 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest received.

519 Minutes of the Meeting of Sevenoaks Town Council held on 9th December 2024

RESOLVED: to accept and sign the minutes of the Meeting of Sevenoaks Town Council held on 9th December 2024 as a true record.

520 Minutes of Committees

Planning & Environment Committee

RESOLVED: To receive and adopt the minutes of the meetings of the Planning & Environment Committee held on 16th December 2024, 23rd December 2024 and 13th January 2025 as true records.

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521 Sevenoaks Town Council Precept Recommendation for 2025-2026

The Town Council received and noted the recommendation unanimously agreed at the meeting of the Finance & Delivery Committee meeting held immediately prior to this Council meeting [*Minute 512, F&D 20.01.25 refers*].

It was noted that the proposed Precept retained all current and some new Town Council services and functions, included additional compulsory NI increases equating to approximately 2% and substantially increased the budget for grants to voluntary organisations.

RESOLVED: That the Town Council approves the precept of £1,545,147 for 2025-2026 which is a 5.7% increase to the 2024-25 Band D equivalent resulting in a Band D equivalent household rate of £153.67 per year, which equates to £2.96 per week and a 17p increase per week.

522 Hatton House, Adult Education Centre

It was noted that on 9th December 2024 Sevenoaks District Council received notification from Kent County Council, the owner of Sevenoaks Adult Education Centre, Bradbourne Road, Sevenoaks, that they intended to dispose of the asset. On 12th December 2024, the District received an email to withdraw the notification of disposal.

RESOLVED: Sevenoaks Town Council to express a formal intention to bid to KCC for the Hatton House (Adult Education Centre) for community and education use should the property come up for sale, thereby initiating the six-month process for Assets of Community Value disposal.

523 Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government: English Devolution White Paper – December 2024

The Council received a paper prepared by the Town Clerk which included some welcomed proposals for the local government sector:

- Provision for remote meetings access
- Civility and Respect proposals e.g. introduction of Sanctions (separate consultation paper)
- Enhancement to Community Right to Bid / Assets of Community Value
- Recommendations for improved working relationships with town and parish councils.

The paper also considered the potential impact and challenges for Parish and Town Councils, outlining: the value of and case for strengthening Parish and Town Councils; local issues and the struggle for representation; the issue of service overlap and accountability often vocalised as “double taxation”; the importance of Community Infrastructure Levy to Parish and Town Councils; the issue of private management companies for new housing developments; local community ownership of local assets; and the value of a fully parished country ensuring that every community has access to representation, accountability and local focus.

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Town Councillors noted that the process so far had not included any input from the public and it was agreed that the response should emphasise that all levels of government should seek to engage the public in the process of change and the ambitions for their councils.

The Town Council would itself seek to engage with local residents to raise awareness and consult on practical matters such as taking on assets and the consequences thereof.

RESOLVED: That, subject to the addition outlined above, the Town Clerk's report be endorsed as the Town Council's response to the English Devolution White Paper – December 2024, to be submitted to the Government and the local Member of Parliament.

524 Government Consultation: 'Strengthening The Standards and Conduct Framework for Local Authorities In England'

The Town Council noted that the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government was consulting on proposals to introduce measures to strengthen the standards and conduct regime for local authorities in England, and that the consultation would close on 26th February 2025.

RESOLVED:

- 1) That councillors be encouraged to submit a response individually and that a response on behalf of the Town Council also be submitted
- 2) That Cllrs Dr Canet, Clayton, Shea and Skinner form a working party to draft the response on behalf of the Town Council.

525 Councillor Reports: Town Council Representatives on External Organisations: None

526 Mayor's Engagements

RESOLVED: To note and accept the reports relating to Mayoral activities:

- a) functions attended by the Mayor or her representative up to 14th January 2025; and
- b) forthcoming Civic Events being organised by the Mayor during 2024-25.

527 Press Releases

RESOLVED: That press releases be issued in respect of the 2025-2026 Precept Recommendation and the Town Council's response to the Devolution White Paper.

It was also agreed that if Hatton House, Adult Education Centre was subject to a notification to dispose of the asset in future, that authority be delegated to the Town Clerk to issue a press release regarding the Town Council's intention to bid.

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There being no further business, the Mayor closed the meeting.

Signed
Mayor

Dated

Town Council Meeting – 3rd March 2025

Events Attended – 2024/2025

Mayor: Councillor Libby Ancrum
Deputy Mayor: Councillor Tony Clayton
& Mayors Representatives

Day & Time	Date	Organisation & Event/Venue	Attended	
Wed 12.00	15 May	Women of Kent Luncheon – Mercure Hotel Maidstone	Mayor	1
Sun 7.30	19 May	Sevenoaks Symphony Orchestra = Orchestral Concert	Mayor	2
Thurs 2.30	23 May	Kippington Nursing Home – Celebration of recent refurbishment	Deputy	3
Fri 6.30	24 May	Porchlight Sleepout – Walthamstow Hall Senior School	Deputy	4
Sun 10.30	26 May	Sevenoaks Bowling Club – Open Day	Deputy	5
Tues. 6.30	28 May	Guided Tour of Sevenoaks Town	Mayor	6
Sun 3.30	2 June	Sevenoaks Quaker Meeting – Rising Stars and the Way Ahead	Mayor	7
Thur 7.00	6 June	D-Day 80 – Procession and Beacon Lighting on the Vine	Mayor	8
Wed 10.30	12 June	Spadework's 40 th Anniversary	Mayor	9
Sat 9.55	15 June	Infinity Launch	Mayor	10
Mon 9.00	17 June	Refugee Week – Desperate Journeys with St Thomas's School	Mayor	11
Wed 1.15	19 June	Refugee Week – Desperate Journeys with Lady Boswell's School	Mayor	12
7.00		With SWR		13
Thurs 7.00	20 June	Refugee Week – Desperate Journeys with Air Cadets	Mayor	14
Fri 2.00	21 June	Lullingstone Country Park -Unveiling of a Sculpture in the Landscape.	Mayor	15
Sat 11.00	22 June	Opening of the Sevenoaks Summer Festival	Mayor	16
Sat	22 June	Go Wild at Bat and Ball Centre	Mayor	17
Sun 3.00	23 June	Mayor's Civic Service at St Luke's Church	Mayor	18
Sun 7.30	23 June	Sevenoaks Philharmonic Choir – The Mikado at the Stag	Mayor	19
Mon 10.20	24 June	Chairman SDC – Fly the Flag for Armed Forces Day	Mayor	20
Tues 10.15	25 June	Chairman KCC – Armed Forces Day Flag Raising	Mayor & Consort	21
Wed 3.00	3 July	Riding for the Disabled – Carriage Driving Event	Deputy	22
Thurs 4.45	4 July	Friends of Rheinbach – Meet and Greet visitors from Germany	Deputy	23
Sat	6 July	Rheinbach Dinner	Mayor	24

Town Council Meeting – 3rd March 2025

Day & Time	Date	Organisation & Event/Venue	Attended	
Tues 7.15	9 July	Sevenoaks Air Cadets – Annual General Meeting	Mayor	25
Thurs 11.00	11 July	Mayor of Medway – Call the Midwife Tour at Chatham Dockyard	Mayor + 1	26
Thurs 1.30	11 July	West Heath School – Prize Giving	Deputy & Cllr. Canet	27
Thurs 6.00	11 July	S’oaks Chamber of Commerce Penshurst Place	Mayor	28
Fri 5.00	12 July	Community Police VAWG Walk & Talk Knole Park	Mayor	29
Thurs 6.30	18 July	Kent Police – S’oaks Independent Advisory Service	Mayor	30
Sat 10.00	20 July	Green Walk & Talk with the Mayor	Mayor	31
Sat 6.30	20 July	Royal British Legion – Kent County Coronation Dinner at Bearsted Golf club	Mayor & Cllr Camp	32
Sat 7.30	27 July	Lydian Orchestra Concert at Unity Hall, Southborough	Mayor & Cllr Shea	33
Mon 11.30	29 July	Peppercorn Rent Ceremony The Vine	Mayor	34
Thur 10.30	01 Aug	Family Fun Day at Greatness Recreation Ground hosted by Town Council	Mayor	35
Thurs 6pm	08 Aug	Committee meeting: League of Friends Sevenoaks Hospital	Mayor	36
Tues 2.30-3.45	13 Aug	Crafts event at Weald Heights Care Home	Mayor	37
Wed 10:30	14 Aug	Rockdale Housing Association – Garden Refurbishment	Mayor	38
Mon 12.30	19 AUG	Rockdale Housing Assoc. – Rockdale Fete launch of Village	Cllr Granville & Cllr Canet	39
Tues 1.50	20 Aug	Wind in the Willows Bat and Ball Centre	Cllr Shea & Cllr Dixon	40
Thur 1.50	22 Aug	Wind in the Willows Greatness Recreation Ground	Cllr Canet	41
Fri 1.50pm	23 Aug	Wind in the Willows Vine Gardens	Cllr Granville & Cllr Canet	42
Friday 11am	23 AUG	Greatness Skate Park Event	Cllr Granville & Cllr Canet	43
Friday 6.00pm	23 AUG	Mayor of Swanley 50 th Anniversary Spectacular	Deputy Mayor & Consort	44
Thurs 6.00pm	29 Aug	Makers Exhibition – Kaleidoscope Gallery Private view	Deputy Mayor	45
Sat 11.00 2.00pm	31 Aug	Faversham Int Hop Festival	Deputy Mayor & Consort	46
Sun	1 SEPT	Heavy Horse Show (S’oaks RDA) stand at show	Deputy Mayor	47
Sun 3.00	1 SEPT	Oxted Band at Vine Bandstand – last STC concert of summer season	Cllr Layne	48
Tues 9.45	3 SEPT	Fly the Flag for Merchant Navy Day- SDC Offices	Deputy	49

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Wed 11.00 -2.00pm	4 Sept	Mayor of Maidstone Tour of Hush Heath Vineyard £40pp	Deputy & Consort	50
Sat 11.45	7 Sept	S'oaks Street Food Festival on the Vine	Deputy Mayor	51
Mon 8.50am	9 Sept	SDC Chairman 999 flag raising at SDC offices	Deputy	52
Tues 12-4pm	10 Sept	Mayor of Swanley Indoor Bowls and Afternoon Tea	Deputy Mayor & Cllr Layne	53
Fri 1.00	20 Sept	Sevenoaks School – Meeting with Jesse Elzinga	Mayor & Consort	54
Sat 10.00	21 Sept	Bicycle Festival at the Vine – Mayor invited to open event – (initial contact Mike Reid)	Mayor	55
Sat 1pm	21 Sept	BBQ celebrating Sevenoaks Ladies Joggers 25th anniversary. Oaks blokes 15 years at Hollybush.	Mayor & Consort	56
Sun 3pm	22 Sept	STC 50 th Anniversary Gathering at the Bat and Ball centre.	Mayor & Cllrs	57
Tues 3-5pm	24 Sept	Mayor of Maidstone Garden Party- The Orangery Turkey Mill	Deputy & Deputy Consort	58
Wed 7pm-9pm	25 Sept	VIP opening- Deckhouse	CEO, Mayor, Deputy, Cllr	59
Thurs 10.00-12:00pm	26 Sept	Guide Dogs- Blindfold Walk around Sevenoaks Town- Mayoral Form received.	Mayor	60
Sat 2.00	28 Sept	Opening of Long Spring Woods	Mayor & Councillors	61
Sat 6.00	28 Sept	Life on High – 5 Year Anniversary Cocktail Party	Mayor +1	62
Sun 4.00	29 Sept	Sevenoaks District Scouts – Annual General Meeting	Deputy	63
Sun 6.30	29 Sept	Chair Folkestone & Hythe DC – Civic Evensong	Mayor & Consort	64
Mon 8.00	30 Sept	Mayor of Medway – Charity Walk	Mayor & Consort	65
Tues 10.30	1 Oct	Judging Christmas Lights Competition	Mayor & Consort	66
Thurs 2.00	3 Oct	Launch of Mat Ball's new book at Sevenoaks Book Shop	Mayor	67
Fri 2.00	4 Oct	Mayor of Dartford – Afternoon Tea	Mayor + 1	68
Fri 6.30	4 Oct	Mayor of Swanley – Autumn Ball	Mayor & Consort	69
Sat 8.00	5 Oct	Welcome Youth Rugby Squad from South Africa	Mayor	70
Sun 5.30	6 Oct	Stag Youth Theatre Film in a Week Course	Mayor	71
Wed 2.00	9 Oct	Sevenoaks Literary Festival – Presentation by Lucy Strange to year 5 students	Mayor	72
Fri 7.00	11 Oct	Chairman SDC – Race Night at Horton Kirby and South Darenth Village Hall	Mayor & Consort	73

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			Deputy Mayor & Mayoress	
Sat 10.00	12 Oct	Bradbourne Riding for the Disabled – Knole Ride	Mayor	74
Sat 7.00	12 Oct	D’Vine Singers – 10 th Anniversary Concert	Mayor & Consort	75
Thurs 10.00	17 Oct	Autumn Leaves – Train from Bat & Ball to Swanley	Mayor	76
Fri 6.30	18 Oct	Sevenoaks Business Awards Gala Dinner	Mayor & Consort	77
Sat 11.30	19 Oct	Emily Jackson Care Home – Cars and Coffee	Mayor	78
Fri 10.30	25 Oct	Kent Civic Launch of the Poppy Appeal 2024	Deputy Mayor	79
Sun 7.30	27 Oct	Listening Room Music Agency – Concert at The Ship Theatre, Walthamstow Hall.	Mayor & Consort	80
Fri 2.00	1 Nov	Mayor of Bromley – Charity Talk and tour of Bethlehem Museum of the Mind and Bethlehem Gallery	Mayor & Consort	81
Sat 10.00	2 Nov	Mayor of Swale – Tour of Historic Sheppey	Mayor & Guest	82
Sat 6.00	2 Nov	Festival of Remembrance at Rochester Cathedral – Eynsford Concert Band	Mayor & Guest	83
Sun 4.00	3 Nov	Informal Service at The Drive Methodist Church	Mayor & Guest	84
Tues 5.00	5 Nov	Switch- on Lights at the Vine (Trees)	Mayor	85
Wed 10.30	6 Nov	Sevenoaks Chamber of Commerce AGM at Bat&Ball Station	Mayor	86
Thurs 6.30	7 Nov	Lord Lieutenant – Awards Ceremony at The Royal Military School of Engineering, Chatham Consort Councillor Sandra Robinson	Mayor & Consort	87
Sun 11.00	10 Nov	Remembrance Service and Parade	Mayor & Consort	88
Mon 11.00	11 Nov	Armistice Day – Mayor to lay crosses on the War Graves at Greatness Cemetery	Mayor & Cllrs	89
Thurs 12.20	14 Nov	Guide Dogs for the Blind – Informal Lunch to thank their supporters at Hope Church, Mill Lane	Mayor	90
Sun 3.00	17 Nov	Sevenoaks Symphony Orchestra – Concert at the Stag Theatre	Mayor & Consort	91
Wed 11.00	20 Nov	Photos at STC Offices- Paul Burgess	Mayor	92
Wed 7.00	20 Nov	Mayor of Bexley – Performance of “Mermaid” by Rose Bruford College	Mayor & Consort	93
Sat 6.30	23 Nov	Sevenoaks Lions Club - 55th Charter Dinner Dance to be held at Wildernesse Golf Club	Deputy Mayor & Mayoress	94
Tues 6pm	26 Nov	Guys and Dolls- Walthamstow Hall	Mayor	95
Sat 3.00	30 Nov	Christmas Lights Switch-on	Mayor	96
Sat 7.00	30 Nov	Christmas Concert at St Nicholas Church	Mayor	97
Mon 7.00	2 Dec	Community Choir – St Luke’s Church	Mayor & Consort	98

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Tues 10.30	3 Dec	Provisional Date for Judging Best Dressed Window	Mayor	99
Wed 12.30	4 Dec	Sevenoaks Chamber of Commerce – Christmas Lunch at the Pavilion Restaurant, Wildernes House	Mayor	100
Wed 4:15	4 Dec	Emily Jackson House- Christmas Light Switch On	Mayor	101
Thurs 7.00	5 Dec	SWR Annual Volunteer Day- quarterly meeting – St John's Hill United Reform Church	Mayor	102
Sat 7.30	7 Dec	Holly Party at the Bat and Ball Centre	Mayor & Consort	103
Sun 6pm	8 Dec	Mencap Sevenoaks, Christmas Carols At the Mencap Hall	Mayor	104
Mon 7.00	9 Dec	Christmas Council Meeting	Mayor & Cllrs	105
Tues 10.30 not 10:00	10 Dec	Provisional Date for presenting Awards for Best Dressed Window	Mayor	106
Wed 10.00	11 Dec	Mayor & Town Crier to tour the relocated Market	Mayor	107
Thurs 2.00	12 Dec	Mayor of Swanley - Festive Afternoon Tea 2-5pm £17.50pp	Mayor +Deputy	108
Thurs 7.00	12 Dec	St Lukes- ATC Concert- St Lukes	Mayor	109
Sat 7.00	14 Dec	Stag Theatre – Pantomime, Snow White	Mayor & Consort	110
Sun 12:00	15 Dec	Sevenoaks Hockey Club- Presidents Cocktail Party	Mayor & Cllr Shea	111
Sun 3.00-5pm	15 Dec	S'oaks RDA Party at Bat & Ball Centre prize giving	Mayor+consort maybe.	112
Sun 4.00	15 Dec	Eynsford Concert Band – Concert 'Magic of Christmas' at The Space, Sevenoaks School	Deputy Mayor and Deputy Mayoress	113
Mon 11:00	16 Dec	Purelake Visit	Mayor	114
Tues 12.15	17 Dec	Call in to the Council Chamber to wish the Staff a Happy Christmas – Staff Christmas Lunch	Mayor+baby	115
Tues 1:00	17 Dec	Sevenoaks Almshouse Charity- Christmas Lunch- Sevenoaks School- Dining Hall	Mayor+Consort	116
Sat 7:30pm	21 Dec	The Lydian Orchestra's Winter Concert	Mayor&Consort	117
Sun 4.00	22 Dec	Lessons & Carols at St John the Baptist Church	Deputy Mayor	118
Tues 11.15	24 Dec	Christmas Eve Midnight Service at St Nicholas Church	Mayor & family	119
Sun 11.00	5 Jan	Margate Charter Trustees – Blessing of the Seas Ceremony	Mayor&Consort	120
Sat 3.00	11 Jan	Presenting prize at Inter Cadet Air Gun Competition	Mayor	121
Sat 7.00	18 Jan	Celebrating 10 th Anniversary of the Lewis Project	Mayor& Consort	122

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Sat 7.00	25 Jan	Air Cadets – Burns Night Celebrations	Mayor & Consort	123
Sun 10.00	26 Jan	Sevenoaks Chinese School – Chinese New Year Celebration	Mayor & Consort	124
Tues 7.00	28 Jan	Mayor of Maidstone – Nepalese Banquet	Mayor & Consort	125
Fri 1.30	31 Jan	Bandstand on The Vine to listen to pupils of Seal Primary talking about The Great Storm	Mayor	126
Sun 12:30	9 Feb	Mayor of Gravesham – Sunday Lunch at Cobham Hall	Mayor & Consort	127
Wed 5:30	12 Feb	Lord Mayor- Canterbury's Evensong Civic Service- Canterbury Cathedral Quire	Mayor & Consort	128
Wed 3.00	12 Feb	Celebration of the Life of Chris Holgate	Mayor	129
Thurs 6.30	13 Feb	Mayor of Faversham- Brewery Tour	Mayor & Consort	130
Sat 7.00	22 Feb	Soroptimist International Quiz Night	Mayor & Consort	131
Sat 7.30	22 Feb	Friends of Rheinbach – New Year's Dinner	Deputy Mayor & Mayoress	132
Sun 3.15	23 Feb	Installation and Welcome Service for Archdeacons of Rochester and Tonbridge	Mayor & Consort	133



2024 – 2025

The Mayor of Sevenoaks Councillor Libby Ancrum Provisional Dates for Mayoral Events

May/June 2024 Sunday 23 June Civic Service 29 June Armed Forces Day	July 2024 Saturday, 20 July Green Walk & Talk Monday, 29 July Peppercorn Rent Ceremony	August 2024
September 2024 3 September Merchant Navy Day 22 September STC 50 th Anniversary Celebration 28 September Opening Longspring Wood	October 2024 Thurs 17 October Autumn Walk Darenth Valley Rail link	November 2024 Sunday 10 November Remembrance Day Monday 11 November Armistice Day Tree Planting
December 2024	January 2025	February 2025
March 2025 1 st March Quiz Night 7 th March International Women's Day Lunch 10 th March Commonwealth Day	April 2025 9 th April Mayor's Volunteers Thank You Reception Wednesday 23 rd April Tour of Knole House	May 2025 Wednesday 7 th May Luncheon at Chevening House