

Hastings Old Town Residents Association

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April 2011 Parish News

Hastings Storytelling Festival – Friday 29th April – new Stade Community hall

A trial session will take place at 2 times on this the Royal Wedding Day. 1st session 4.00 – 5.30 for families and accompanied children; 2nd session 6.30 – 8.30 for all ages. Tickets are Adults £3/£4 or family of up to 4 £10. Please come along and support. You will be amazed!

Annual General Meeting Friday 6th May at 7.00 – new Stade Community hall

Please come and take part. The agenda will consist of Accounts, Reports and Elections to the Management Committee which meets monthly.[If you wish to stand for the posts of Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer or Committee please let me know before the meeting]. We then have a guest speaker. Liz Gilmore, Director of the new Jerwood Gallery will explain the plans and answer your questions.

Membership This is now overdue. Individuals pay £8 or 2 or more people living at the same address £10.

Please make cheques payable to HOTRA and put in an envelope with your contact details *including your email address if you have one* and drop it through the letterbox of our Treasurer Nikki Port 17 High Street. Or you can pay by our new Paypal facility – just go to www.hotra.org.uk

Waste Issues

Richard Homewood HBC Director of Environmental Services spent over an hour discussing the possible to changes Rubbish and Recycling issues. There will be a chance for you to comment in the summer. It is important that you tell HBC your thoughts. There will not be 'wheelie-bins' for us but sites for communal bins will be considered. More needs to be done to reach the Recycling targets – with a very complex challenge.

New Stade Community Facilities Trust

A new charity and company limited by guarantee will take over the running of the Open Space and new Hall, Seafood training kitchen and meeting rooms later this year. At first Hastings Council will be looking after the facilities until the new Trust can start. HBC cannot help with Revenue costs so grants will have to be sought until the new Trust can start operating. Residents will have new opportunities for a range of activities and events.