This meeting will be held virtually



People & Places Advisory Committee

At the above stated meeting the attached presentations were given for the following items

		Pages	Contact
6.	Presentation on the Visitor Economy	(Pages 1 - 12)	Emma West Tel: 01732007205
13.	COVID19 - Draft Economic Recovery Plan and Actions	(Pages 13 - 16)	Sarah Robson Tel: 01732227129
14.	COVID19 - Draft Communities Recovery Plan and Actions	(Pages 17 - 20)	Sarah Robson Tel: 01732227129
17.	Reopening High Streets Safely Fund	(Pages 21 - 24)	Sarah Robson Tel: 01732227129

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People and Places Advisory Committee

Visitor Economy update

Tuesday 16 June 2020

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- Partnerships
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- □ COVID-19 Recovery

Business Resilience and Support COVID-19 Economic Recovery - Vision Statement

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We will provide a sounding board and offer insight from the business community.

We will work with partners on actions to directly support local businesses, promoting new ways of working.

We will highlight the strengths of the District to attract businesses, visitors and people to work, live and visit.

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Source: People & Places May 2020

Business Resilience and Support





Total Amount Dispersed

£22.11M

Retail & Hospitality Grant (£10K)

Amount Dispersed

£2.23M

Retail & Hospitality Grant (£25K)

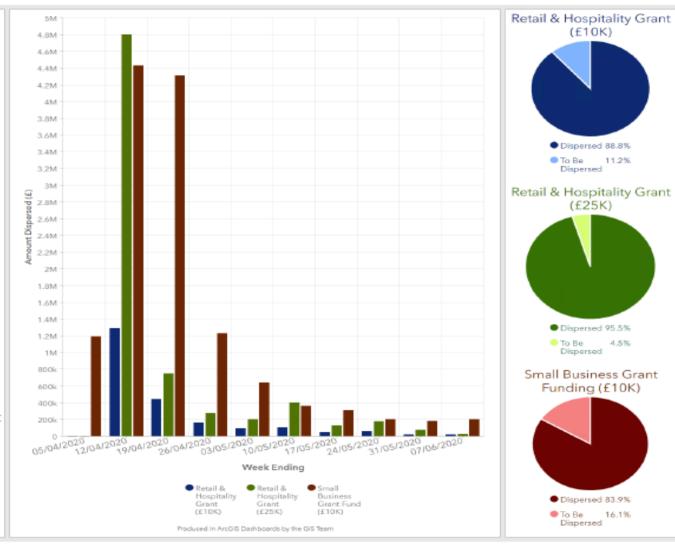
Amount Dispersed

£6.825M

Small Business Grant Funding (£10K)

Amount Dispersed

£13.05M



Source: COVID-19 Response Weekly update 1 to 7 June 2020

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Partnerships



Strengthening our partnerships to succeed together



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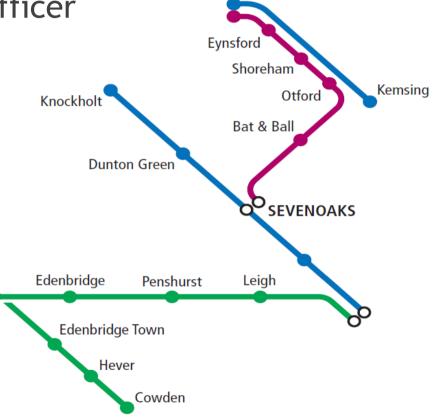


Partnerships

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Darent Valley Community Rail Partnership

- ☐ Rail Projects Community Officer
- ☐ Action plan
- Website development
- Budget
- Southeastern bid



Swanley

Partnerships Gateway Gatwick - Kent, Surrey & Sussex

- Gateway Gatwick
- ☐ Flights are gradually resuming
- Visual display
- ☐ Future opportunities





Partnerships

Visit Kent Destination Management Organisation

- ☐ Visit Kent 4 point plan
- ☐ Visit Kent survey
- Webinars supporting businesses
 - □ Communicating in a crisis
 - Visit Kent virtual networking
 - ☐ Adjusting your business for the new normal
 - Creating Virtual Content
 - Maximising Opportunities Across Google Solutions

Recovery planning

Guidance on reopening and training

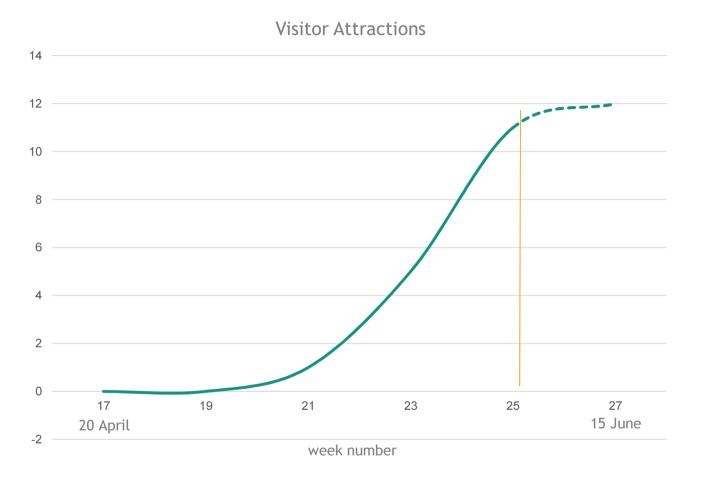
Domestic market

Consumer confidence

Developing and adapting product

Visitor Economy Forum













Visitor Economy Forum



- ☐ Government Advice
- ☐ Visitor Economy Forums 25 June and 8 October 2020
- □ Accommodation sector and good practice
- ☐ Visit Kent's round table discussion for accommodation providers







COVID-19 Recovery



- ☐ The Department for Culture, Media and Sport is producing top line guidance on what businesses need to do in terms of undertaking a risk assessment of their business and implementing cleaning and social distancing regimes that allow them to operate safely.
- A series of detailed protocols is also being developed for different business types across the sector which takes this top line guidance and tell businesses how to operationalise it.
- □ Visit England is developing a system whereby business can, on lodging their risk assessment, obtain a 'kite mark' that can be used to show customers that they are operating in accordance with Government guidance

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SDC COVID-19 Economic Recovery Plan

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SDC COVID-19 Economic Recovery Plan



A four point recovery plan focusing on:

What will Sevenoaks District look like?

Roadblocks & opportunities

Recovery objectives and actions

Investment and growth

Informed by:

Government guidance, economic impact data, forecasting and surveys

Driven by:

Economic need

Delivering a:

Sustainable future

SDC COVID-19 Economic Recovery - Vision Statement



We will approach recovery with positivity and find solutions that support economic recovery in the District.

We will provide a sounding board and offer insight from the business community.

We will work with partners on actions to directly support local businesses, promoting new ways of working.

We will highlight the strengths of the District to attract businesses, visitors and people to work, live and visit.

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SDC COVID-19 Economic Recovery Plan



Business sector analysis Adrian/Sarah

Impact on sector

Government funding Sue Cressall/Emily/Caroline

Administration of Government grant funding streams

> Government guidance Richard K/Emily

Public Health guidance and scientific expertise

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SWOT Adrian/Sarah

Economic issues getting in the way

Opportunities to enhance recovery

Sevenoaks District Business Board Cllrs Fleming, Dyball, Dickins

Ensure businesses play a key role in economic recovery of District

Partnership working Cllr Dyball/Sarah

Engagement with key partners on business, tourism and local recovery

> SDC as a local business Cllr Fleming/Pav

Lead recovery by example

Recovery Action Plan Adrian/Sarah/Richard K/Emily

Short/Medium term

Based on businesses needs

Support businesses Richard K/Emily

Work with key partners on actions to directly support local businesses

Employment, skills and housing Cllrs Dyball, Piper/Sarah

Create jobs and homes Help people into work Help businesses recruit the staff they need

Appearance of the district Adrian/Trevor

Provide clean and maintained public spaces High quality environment through active enforcement

Promotion Cllr Dyball/Sarah/Emily

Highlight strengths of District to attract businesses, visitors and people to live, work and visit

Strategic Programme Board Cllr Fleming/Pav

Promote and bring forward Council's capital programme

Inward investment Richard K/Emily

Inward investment initiatives

SDC services Richard M/Alison

Refocus on growing the district

Digital place Cllr Fleming/Jim/Richard K

Develop a connected District

What will Sevenoaks district

Roadblocks and opportunities

Recovery objectives and actions

Investment and growth

look like?

SDC COVID-19 Communities Recovery Plan

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Sustainable future

SDC COVID-19 Communities Recovery - Vision Statement



We will approach recovery with positivity and find solutions that support community recovery in the District.

We will respond to those facing hardship, coordinating recovery efforts for housing, health and wellbeing, community safety and financial resilience.

We will provide a sounding board and offer insight from the Voluntary and Community sector (including faith groups).

We will work with partners on actions to directly support the local Voluntary and Community sector, promoting new ways of working.

We will increase self-sufficiency and self-help in our communities of 'need' and 'place' through volunteering, social enterprise and innovation.

We will work with partners to solve problems and promote independence for the homeless and rough sleepers.

We will be guided by an adherence to public health and scientific expertise, in order to assure the safety of those who live in our district.

SDC COVID-19 Communities Recovery Plan



Voluntary and Community analysis

Sarah/Alan

Impact on sector

Emerging issues amongst communities

Government funding Sarah/Kelly/Sue

Government grant funding streams

Hardship Fund

Government guidance Sarah/Alan

Public Health guidance and scientific expertise

SWOT Sarah/Alan/Kelly

Opportunities to enhance recovery

Partnership working Cllr Dyball/Sarah

Engagement with key partners on community/sector impact and local recovery

Volunteering Sarah/Kelly

Retain, harness and grow 'volunteer power' to support local communities/services

Mapping Sarah/Kelly

Map voluntary, community and faith sectors – harnessing those new organisations emerging through COVID-19

Recovery Action Plan Sarah/Kelly/Alan

Short/Medium/Long term

Based on community needs

Community support Cllr Dyball/Sarah/Kelly

Flexibility in SDC Community Grant Scheme, review contracts/SLAs Ensure PCC grant is responsive to community safety priorities

Homelessness Cllr Piper/Sarah/Hayley

Exit planning for rough sleepers and removal of housing protections

Health and Wellbeing Cllr Piper/Sarah/Hayley

Work with key partners on actions to directly support the most vulnerable

Promotion Cllr Dyball/Sarah/Hayley/Kelly

Celebrate and signpost to services supporting people in the district

Roadblocks and opportunities

Recovery objectives and actions

What will Sevenoaks district look like?

Agenda Item 17

Reopening High Streets Safely

Reopening High Streets Safely Fund (RHSSF)



- Provides SDC access to an allocated fund of up to £107,106 from the European Regional Development Fund. Claims will be paid quarterly.
- Supports measures to establish a safe trading environment for businesses and customers, particularly in High Streets.
- Fund covers:
 - Development of an action plan
 - Communications and public information activity
 - Business facing awareness raising activities
 - Temporary public realm changes (safety, social distancing, improve attractiveness)
- Fund does not cover:
 - Existing expenditure/activity
 - Capital expenditure (except temporary changes)
 - Grants to businesses

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High Street Task Force COVID-19 Recovery Framework











Indicative cost envelopes (subject to adjustment)



Activity	Estimated Cost £
Project support resource to 31 March 2021	4,284
Communications 'safe place to shop and do business' information/materials (public and business)	15,000
Place 'recovery' communications campaign (work, visit, invest)	22,000
Sanitiser dispenser stations and refills	12,000
Enhanced street cleansing	15,822
Transport / Highway signage (print or rental costs)	11,000
Pedestrian movement (social distancing & people flow)	11,000
Data Analytics (business engagement, baseline footfall data and progress report)	16,000
Projected Total	£107,106