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**COUNCIL OFFICES  
OPEN DAILY  
9.00—13.00**

**WEALDEN CITIZENS  
ADVICE BUREAU**

**REG SHINGLETON ROOM  
TOWN COUNCIL OFFICE  
TUESDAY  
9.30 TO 12 (Approx)**

**COUNCIL MEETINGS  
2010**

11th January 2010  
25th January 2010  
8th February 2010  
16th February 2010  
22 February 2010  
1st March 2010  
8th March 2010  
22nd March 2010  
12th April 2010  
20th April 2010  
26th April 2010

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## POLEGATE TOWN — COUNCIL TAX

Polegate Town Council are pleased to announce that Councillors have set a prudent budget and not increased the precept. This means the town council portion of your council tax bill will have a tiny increase of 28 pence per Band D Household. The slight increase is due to the tax base reductions set by Wealden District Council.

## WD/2008/2180/MEA

### Honey Farm, Eastbourne Road, Polegate

Polegate Town Council is pleased to confirm that, following a meeting of Wealden District Council (WDC) Planning Sub Committee South on Thursday 10 December 2009, the application by Pelham Holdings Ltd to develop 520 dwellings at Honey Farm was refused.

Over 1000 objections were registered on the WDC website and Town, District and County Councillors spoke against the application.

Thanks to all members of the public who have attended meetings or registered their objections. As a cautionary note, the planning process incorporates a right of appeal and the applicant may yet exercise this right.

## Christmas Tree Lights Switch on



Many local residents came along to the Council gardens to the Christmas Tree Lights switch on. There was music from St John's church and dancing from the Long Man Morris men. After the Mayor had switched the lights on the festivities continued at St John's Church Hall where mulled wine mince pies and light refreshments were served.

## BBC Tree O'Clock

Polegate Town Council councillors, staff and Polegate residents took part in the BBC Tree O'clock Tree Planting event.

The BBC supplied Polegate Town Council with 25 whip trees mainly Oak, Hornbeam and Field Maple which were to be planted in Brightling Road Meadow between 11 O'clock and 12 noon.



## Best Dressed House 2009 & Best Dressed Shop 2009

The Best dressed house winner was the householder at  
20, Golden Miller Lane, Polegate.

The Best dressed Shop winner goes to Glenisters Florists.  
Well Done for your beautiful displays!

A presentation Awards evening was held for winners and local traders on Thursday 14th January 2010

### Mayor's Christmas Tea Party

The Mayors Christmas Tea Party was held on 8th December 2009 at St John's Church Hall.

This very popular event for the over 60's residents was quickly over subscribed as there are only 100 places available offered on a first come first served basis. Apologies to those who were unable to attend.

There was a surprise visit from Santa bearing small gifts which was greatly appreciated by those who attended.

### Polegate War Memorial Recreation Ground

#### Unveiling of the new commemorative plaque



The plaque commemorating those who fought and died in the 1914-1918 war has now been installed at the Polegate War Memorial Recreation Ground. The Recreation Ground was left to Polegate Community by Mr Gwynne, Mr Higgins and Mr Knight in 1922. A remembrance service was held at the memorial on 11th November 2009.

Anyone who would like to join the Polegate Neighbourhood Watch Association can ring the Chairman - Andy Watkins 01323 485795 or the secretary Mary Order email [polegatenw@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:polegatenw@hotmail.co.uk)



Any queries you may have will be answered and joining does not incur any expense whatsoever. All callers will be welcome.

### Litter Poster Campaign

The winner was a student from Willingdon Primary School. Students were asked to draw a picture to help remind the public how important it is to keep Polegate Rubbish Free. The winning poster will be displayed in various places in and around Polegate. Many thanks to all those students who took part.



### High Sheriff of East Sussex Visits Polegate

Polegate was honoured by the visit of the High Sherriff of East Sussex Mr W Shelford and his wife Mrs A Shelford on 17th November 2009. Mr Shelford visited a number of local charities and the local primary school in Polegate and met many more charities at St John's Church Hall where he also spoke about the role of the High Sherriff.

### Opening of Play Park 26th November 2009

The Mayor of Polegate officially opened the newly refurbished play-park on 26th November 2009. The old equipment was installed many decades ago and a fresh set of equipment was well received by children from Polegate school who came to the opening. The new equipment is suitable for ages between 1 and 12 years.



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