

# Burgess Hill

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### Opening Remarks

We may not have hit the headlines of the national press yesterday morning... but there was a whole page in this week's Middy about Mid Sussex Science Week... There is also news in the Middy about some exciting developments at Borde Hill, which has won lottery funding for a number of initiatives. We'll be there next week at our Summer Networking Event, Thursday 14th July from 4.30-6.30pm, with a guided tour of the gardens and a singing group. There's still time to [bag your place](#)

#### In other news

A new factory in Burgess Hill is officially opened. There is a report on our networking event at Edwards last week, we celebrate another award winner in our ranks and we show detailed plans for the new commercial developments now being constructed on the A2300 the 'Panettoni Park Burgess Hill'.

You may have noticed, it's summer! It's when I scream, you scream, we all scream for Ice Cream! [Consort Frozen Foods](#) has a special raffle for their sponsored walk along the Downs in support of YMCA Downlands Group, see details below, we hope you can help. Meanwhile, we invite you to a stoolball tournament!

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### Market-Leading Manufacturer Opens Second Factory

PVL, who manufacture the specialist reflective markings for emergency service vehicles across the UK and beyond, has celebrated the opening of its second factory in Burgess Hill with a special event attended by Mims Davies, Member of Parliament for Mid-Sussex and, until yesterday, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Employment.

Their second factory opened its doors on



**Mims Davies MP with Nick Broom, MD of PVL**

the Victoria Road Industrial Estate in 2020, but the official opening was rescheduled to this month due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Since launching, it has helped continue the company's impressive growth since it was founded by Nick Broom. PVL manufactures vehicle branding kits in reflective and printed materials, and, through successive contract wins now serves around 75% of the UK Police fleet market.

Mims Davies was met by Nick Broom, managing director and his PA, Emily Darnell, who introduced her to the team and toured the factory. Mims was shown vehicle wrapping in action, and pitched in with some collating and packing of reflective vehicle kits with the team during her visit.



**Mims Davies with Jaxson Wright (in orange PVL t-shirt)**

She was particularly interested in the company's forward-thinking and inclusive employment schemes, including their part-time and flexible working options. PVL employs several people with additional needs.

Mims Davies MP said: "It's been a pleasure to officially open your second factory, especially since we met and worked together on a local initiative a few years ago. My tour of the factory was most enjoyable, and I wish you every success for the future."

Managing Director, Nick Broom said: "It was



**The PVL team outside the factory**



an honour to welcome our local MP and celebrate our second factory. We're rapidly approaching our 25th anniversary, and we're proud to be market leaders with multiple awards under our belt and a proven track record.

"We even just enjoyed the best month in our history, and this visit is the icing on the cake just ahead of National Manufacturing Day on 7 July."

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## **Our visit to Edwards Vacuum**

**This event proved to be our most popular networking event yet, with nearly 40 delegates booked**

The Burgess Hill site is a centre for R&D into vacuum technology. Our host Peter Lamb, Senior Manager Scientific Pump Technology and Site Leader at the Burgess Hill facility, gave us a brief introduction to Edwards Vacuum and explained where it sat in the giant Swedish manufacturing conglomerate that is Atlas Copco.



[Ian Hopping](#) of Auditel also gave an interesting presentation on net zero, explaining more about the gases we loosely term as 'greenhouse gases'.

*"I really enjoyed the event. It was fascinating to take a tour around Edwards facilities and even more enjoyable to have the chance to speak about Carbon Management to such an engaged group of businesses. Thank you ever so much to Richard Cox from BHBPA for organising and Peter Lamb from Edwards for hosting"*



Peter explained how Edwards and its parent Atlas Copco has sustainability at the core of its operations. It has ambitious targets and has already achieved much throughout its supply chain.

The event saw a great turnout, various manufacturers were in attendance, including one of Edward's own suppliers who came all the way up from Eastbourne to attend as a guest.

The group then divided into two and we took a tour of the facilities.



Peter explained the myriad applications of vacuum technology. Many manufacturing operations require clean environments, pharmaceuticals being a clear example, while over 90% of all flat screens are manufactured in a vacuum environment.

Multi-billion dollar microchip fabrication plants, known as 'fabs' require vast arrays of vacuum pumps. We were shown one of these pumps, the size of a small tea trolley, they use sophisticated software to maximise efficiency and reliability within the arrays.



Much of the work done at the Edwards site involves advanced research. There are over 400 scientists and engineers working on site. Some areas were closed off as the work involved technologies that had yet to be patented. Photography was limited for this reason.

We saw such areas as the anechoic chamber, a room designed to stop reflections of either sound or electromagnetic waves.

The room has a special separate concrete foundation that isolates it from energy entering from its surroundings. Such facilities are essential in testing equipment to run more efficiently and to achieve the extreme high vacuum conditions as required in the most advanced technological fields, such as satellites and particle accelerators such as [CERN](#)

When we returned to the main conference room for some more networking we were also entertained with some fun experiments, as presented the other month at Mid Sussex Science Week to local primary school students.

BHBPA would like to thank Peter Lamb and Edwards Vacuum for a fascinating morning.

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We are now planning the September 2022 - July 2023 cycle

From September there will be four regular banner slots in each newsletter.

Readership continues to grow for this newsletter. We are not talking woolly 'subscriber

numbers', we are talking about the number of people that actually open the email and read it. The majority of these 'opens' then share the email with their own contacts.

### **Real and audited readership numbers**

Last week's newsletter was admittedly a little special, but it was the most read newsletter ever reported using this platform. Even so, the number of readers has been steadily growing and now usually averages around the 250 mark every week. We always check who is reading. These are all bona fide business people, members and non members in and around the local area. About half of our readers read it from their desktop, the other half open it on their mobiles.

We are offering banners for 3 month periods and for 2 month periods (June-July).

**Banner costs = £60 per month.**

Do not delay! We already have some blocks of three months already booked. You are not limited to one block. Subject to availability.

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## **Supporting YMCA Downslink Group**

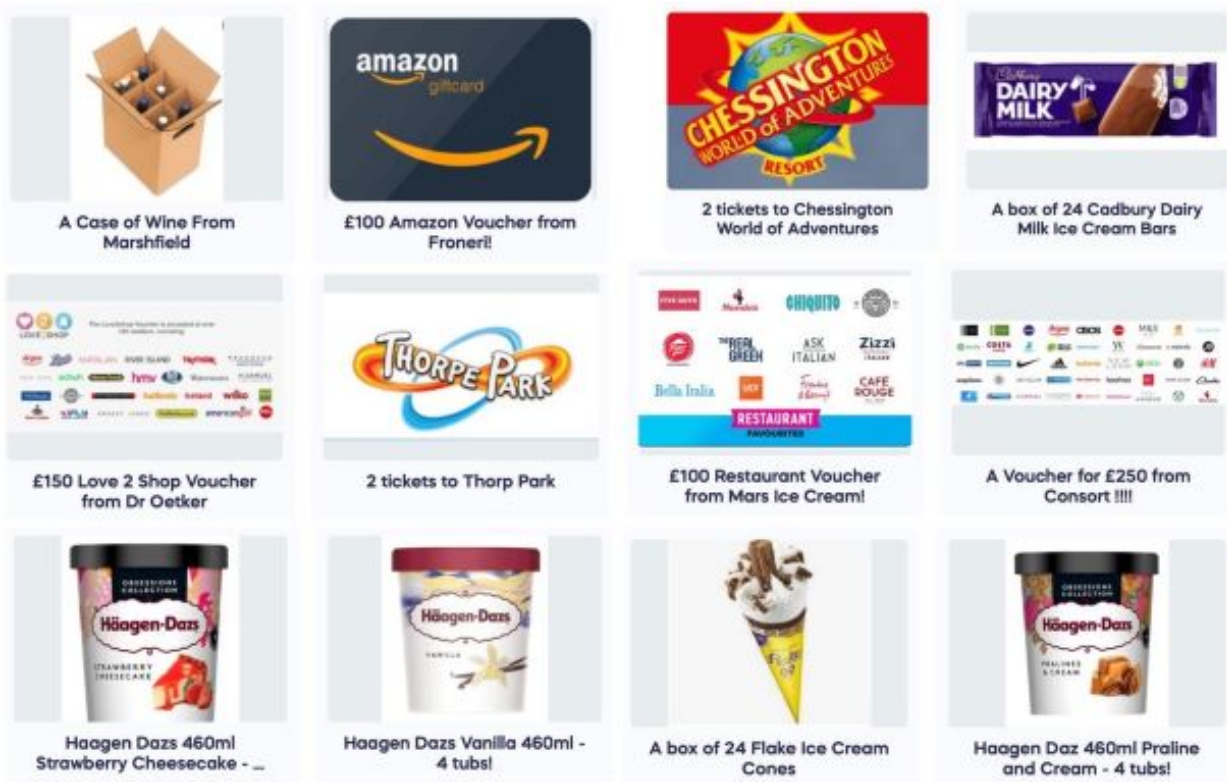
Consort Frozen Foods (The Ice Cream Specialists in Burgess Hill) are walking 17.5 miles along the Downslink Way to raise vital funds for the YMCA Downslink Group who support young homeless people in Sussex. The challenges they face are bigger than ever and they need YOUR support!

**We'd love you to sponsor us but in a way we think you might like!**

So... As the Ice Cream Specialists we are holding an **INCREDIBLE RAFFLE** and would really appreciate the BHBPA support.

How do I take part? <https://go.rallyup.com/consort/Campaign/Details>

You can win tasty treats and tickets for family fun! Click on the link and take a look



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## New co-sponsor for our big expo in September

Burgess Hill Means Business is pleased to announce that Fresh Display has agreed to be one of our co-sponsors

[Fresh Display](#) joins our Headline Sponsor [YourWellnessHub](#) in supporting the event and has this special offer for all exhibitors at our event.

Steve Powell, MD of Fresh Display has a special offer for all exhibitors:

I'd like to offer 25% Discount to all BHMB exhibitors on any display equipment required for the show, including design services if required.

Please find a link to our pdf catalogue; [Fresh Display Core Collection 2022](#)



Here you'll find ideas for banner stands, pop-ups, fabric displays, lightboxes, printed tablecloths and counters and for outdoors, flags, branded gazebos, banner frames and pavement signs etc.



Please contact Steve Powell  
[steve@freshdisplay.co.uk](mailto:steve@freshdisplay.co.uk)  
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## Burgess Hill Means Business 2022

**Our list of exhibitor bookings is growing daily, don't miss out!**

We know September seems a long way away, but we are planning the layout already and need to know what type of stand you intend to bring. Early planning means we can really bring the WOW factor to the Kings Centre on Friday 16th September.

Do you just want a table with space for a pop up banner, or would you like to bring a larger back display? I'm told some exhibitors are looking at getting into costume.

That is what the booking form asks! Click the button below to book

Stands cost £100 for members - we will invoice later...but **BOOK NOW**

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## Burgess Hill Means Business 2022

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## Lawyer of the Year awarded to Pam Loch of Loch Associates Group

Leading businesswoman, Pam Loch Managing Director of Loch Associates Group, won the Dynamic Business Awards category for Lawyer of the Year 2022 at a ceremony celebrating the remarkable achievements of women.



Awarded for her legal services to business, Pam was hailed as a woman who is motivating others, breaking the glass ceiling, and paving her own path — all while lifting others and setting an example for the next generation of female leaders.

The inaugural event, which was made up of fourteen categories, recognises achievements from across a wide range of sectors. The category for Lawyer of the Year was hotly contested with Loch Associates Group facing stiff competition from other law firms.

Delivering legal services to employers and individual employees, Loch Associates helps businesses to manage and look after their people, offering commercial services as well as HR consultancy through their HR Advise Me service.

Speaking at the event, Pam said: "I am delighted and surprised at winning the Lawyer of the Year Award at the Dynamic Awards. It means even more to be in the company of some incredible businesswomen and it was wonderful to be part of such an empowered and inspirational group of people.

This comes on the back of Loch Associates winning the Professional Services Firm of the Year at the Brighton and Hove Business Awards so it is a great result for every one of our team members. It is a team effort that makes the difference and makes us winners." Loch Associates is headquartered in Tunbridge Wells with offices in Kent, Sussex and London.

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Loch Associates Group was founded in 2007 by Pam Loch, solicitor and Managing Director. Headquartered in Tunbridge Wells, they have offices in Kent, Sussex and London.

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## Plastic Free July®

Take the pesky plastics quiz to find out more about better recycling

Plastic Free July® is a global movement that helps millions of people be part of the solution to plastic pollution – so we can all have cleaner streets, oceans, and beautiful communities. Will you be part of Plastic Free July by choosing to refuse single-use plastics?

Here at West Sussex Recycles we are again taking part in [Plastic Free July](#), swapping single use bottles and cups for reusables, making our own face wipes instead of buying disposables, and more.



Follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#) to find out more about our changes, or to give us your suggestions and tips on how to cut down on single use plastics.

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## Stoolball - A traditional Sussex Sport

The Jonathan Lea Network Stoolball Tournament 2022

The poster for the Stoolball Tournament 2022 features a central illustration of two crossed stoolball mallets and a small ball above them. The text is arranged as follows:

- On the left: '- LOCATION -' followed by 'GREAT WALSTEAD SCHOOL'.
- On the right: '- DATE -' followed by '4th August 2022' and '17:00 - 21:00'.
- At the bottom center: 'STOOLBALL' in large, bold, dark blue letters, with 'TOURNAMENT' in large, bold, light blue letters below it.
- At the very bottom: A dark blue banner with the text 'NETWORKING + NIBBLES + DRINKS' in white.

The Jonathan Lea Network stoolball event last summer was such a huge success, we are delighted to announce that this year's plans have been put in place and it is with great pleasure to invite you to join us for the tournament of the summer!

For the uninitiated, stoolball is a traditional Sussex sport which is like a combination of rounders and cricket. It is very easy for anyone to play. We hope to have a few teams of eight playing the group matches. There is no need to put your own team together, we will just assign people to a team on the day.

This year we're back at Great Walstead School, on 4th August 2022 at 5pm. This is a fantastic opportunity to socialise with other local companies and business people.

As well as Pimms and other drinks provided Go Grazezy are supplying epic food platters, and we're thrilled to say that this year we have new stoolball bats that are guaranteed not to split! The details for the tournament are as follows:

Date: 4th August 2022  
Time: 5pm - 9pm  
Location: Great Walstead School  
East Mascalls Lane  
Haywards Heath  
RH16 2QL

We would be delighted if you can join us, please register your interest by emailing [abi.hortin@jonathanlea.net](mailto:abi.hortin@jonathanlea.net) or call **01444 708 640**

Please RSVP by 25th July 2022

We look forward to hearing from you

Kind regards

**[The Jonathan Lea Network](#)**

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## **Panattoni Park Burgess Hill**

**Detailed floorplans are now available for the entire development**



From the [Website](#):

Directly fronting the A2300 dual carriageway, Panattoni Park Burgess Hill provides fast access to the A23/M23, Gatwick Airport, Brighton and the South Coast.

Panattoni Park Burgess Hill offers a range of speculative units in an established location from 8,136 to 142,815 sq ft, appealing to a diverse number of occupiers. Early enquiries for design and builds can also be accommodated upon request, please contact the joint agents for details.

Panattoni Park Burgess Hill provides local reach and national impact. 1.1 million consumers are accessible within 45 minutes by van, while 32.1 million fall within a single HGV journey, including the affluent market of the entire South East region.



### Masterplan of the Entire Site

Go to the website to view detailed plans and specifications for every unit. Each unit offers a mix of warehouse and office space

[View all plans for Panettoni Park Burgess Hill - CLICK HERE](#)

## Selected BHBPA Networking Events



Summer networking at Borde Hill Gardens. Usually it costs £7.50 to enter the gardens.

We have secured **FREE** tickets, a guided



### [Burgess Hill Mean Business](#)

Join us for the return of our big expo.

Bookings are now building quickly - do not

tour with one of the gardeners and tea and cake! YES...Tea & Cake!

Later in the evening at 6.00pm, we will have a short performance from The Sussex Harmonizers - our newest members!

**FREE - members only**

Thursday 14th July  
4.30-6.30pm

[See below to book your places.](#)

delay, secure your place today!

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**Stands - £100**

**Entrance - FREE**

The Kings Centre  
Friday 16th September  
10.30am-3.00pm

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## All Upcoming BHBPA Events

**Would you like to give a presentation at one of our general networking events?**

We are always interested to hear from you if you have a 10-15 minute presentation covering a pertinent business topic. To discuss this in more detail contact [richard.cox@bhbpa.co.uk](mailto:richard.cox@bhbpa.co.uk)

**Tuesday 12th July 4.00 to 5.00pm**

2nd Tuesday ZOOM Networking (July)

**Thursday 14th July 4.30-6.30pm**

Borde Hill Gardens - Tour, Performance and Networking

**Friday 16th September 10.30-3.00pm**

Burgess Hill Means Business - The Kings Centre

**Please ALWAYS book our events on our website.**

Whether it's an online event, or a site tour at one of our members, or a networking event at a venue. We need to know how many are attending. Spaces can sometimes be limited and we are finding increased demand. So book early!

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The banner features the 'fresh DISPLAY' logo on the left, with 'fresh' in white and 'DISPLAY' in green. Below the logo are the services: 'Portable Displays | Exhibition Stands | Event Branding | Office Graphics | Design & Print | Signage'. The main text reads 'Bringing your brand to life' in white. On the right, contact information is provided: 'freshdisplay.co.uk', '01477 218575', and 'sales@freshdisplay.co.uk'. A green leaf graphic is on the far right.

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## Closing Remarks

**We want to hear from you**

We are keen to hear your stories, awards won, apprenticeships completed, sustainability improvements, your involvement with local schools and all and everything going on in the various business parks around the town.

Let's celebrate your successes and achievements!

**Deadline for copy each week is Thursday 3.00pm**

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