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BUSINESS PARKS ASSOCIATION

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Weekly Newsletter - Every Friday Morning

Opening Remarks

Parking Restrictions Proposed

We announce the submission of proposals to WSCC to improve safety and accessibility on the Victoria Business Park.

Working Group & Roundtable

We share details of the first of our twice yearly Charity Roundtables and the first in a series of workshops for HR staff, business owners and other managers, looking at Equality, Diversity and Inclusion.

In other news

The Department of Business & Trade asks small business what they want from business support schemes. Find out how to become part of Gatwick Airport's supply chain. There's a webinar on the importance of IP protection, another looking at how to deal with career burnout. We share WSCC's plan for economic growth and sustainability. A major conference in June is launched, looking at the human face of AI, BHBPA members get a 20% discount on attending.

Community

Apparently April is 'Make a Will' month, two charities have something to ask you about that. The town council has a raft of great family activities happening over Easter, please share with your staff the details below. The Park Centre gives an update on this important local community amenity.

The Power of Networking

Be quick for the large joint event of BHBPA, HHBA, EGA & GDB. You will need to use the [Eventbrite](#) link. Book Now - already 80 have booked - **it's nearly sold out**

Burgess Hill Means Business

Thursday 15th May at the Kings Centre. Exhibitor spaces now on sale: Book via [Billetteo](#) . We also introduce you to a headline sponsor of this year's event.

Find out more about our management, sales and cybersecurity training courses, we have dates available throughout 2025: [Training](#)

We announce our guest speaker at next Wednesday's AGM. With over 50 attending, we still have space for more bookings: [Book Events](#)

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The advertisement features a dark blue background with the 'extech cloud' logo in white and orange. Below the logo are five orange icons representing different services: a padlock for Cybersecurity, a cloud with arrows for Cloud Migration, a headset for IT Support, a telephone handset for Voip, and a network router for Connectivity. The text 'IT support from your local Microsoft Partner.' is positioned to the right of the logo.

Next week's AGM - Speaker Announced

The BHBPA AGM will be held on Wednesday morning March 26th

We'll be providing an overview of the various initiatives the association has been pursuing, such as our highly engaged commitment with local schools, and updates on the Victoria Business Park initiative to restrict parking in certain areas.



Jane Davey

Our Guest Speaker

Jane, a Chartered Accountant and long-time Burgess Hill resident, is also the Chair of Governors at The Burgess Hill Academy (TBHA) and a member of TBHA Support Group.

The school is part of the University of Brighton Academy Trust but is currently undergoing a lot of change which will include being transferred to a different Academy Trust.

Jane is an advocate for developing mutually positive and sustainable relationships between the school and the local business community for reasons of improved social mobility and providing opportunities for all. She believes that improving the school will improve the success of the whole town.

Janes will be on hand to explain why our local school is key to the whole community of Burgess Hill. She'll reference the careers work that our members already support. She'll also take time to explain the school's priorities and how the business community can and is already supporting tomorrow's employees.

Our Annual General Meeting will be held at the Oak Barn Restaurant.

We'd like to thank Mark and his fantastic teams, front and back of house, for hosting us again.

A light buffet breakfast will be available.

We'll start as always with 30 minutes of informal networking, followed by about 50 minutes of presentations and finishing off again with more networking.



A magnificent venue: The Oak Barn Restaurant, Cuckfield Road, Burgess Hill

The association will be presenting a summary of our annual accounts and an update on membership numbers. We'll also be going into detail about the various initiatives, programmes and agendas of the association and what you can expect for 2025.

Our two presentations are expected to take about 45 minutes, so there'll be plenty of time for networking. We look forward to welcoming you, if you haven't done so already book your place NOW!

Wednesday 26th March 8.30-11.00am

Book the Oak Barn Networking Event

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Proposed Parking Restrictions

The next stage is now in the hands of WSCC

Following a lengthy consultation process with our members across the Victoria Business Park, we have now submitted a 'Developers TRO' (Traffic Regulation Order), essentially a planning permission application for multiple sites, to the Roads & Highways team at WSCC.



12 sites identified

In all but one of these sites we have requested double yellow lines to deter both unsafe parking and irresponsible parking that has often completely blocked truck access on various roads and to various premises.

We have taken on board all comments and garnered support from affected businesses at each site.

This has been supported by photographic and video evidence of the issues at hand.

Many of these sites have seen numerous accidents and near misses over the years.

To achieve these goals we have sought to keep parking restrictions to a minimum.

All of us has been exasperated by the drawn out manoeuvres of large, semi-articulated trucks as they exit and enter certain sites. This causes hold ups that can last 10 minutes or more on some of the busiest roads, at peak times of the day.

A case in point, one way traffic has persisted for too long in front of the Collins Aerospace/Continental Tyre building. With its collection of semi-permanent eyesore vehicles ruining the most prestigious area of the business park, these parked vehicles have, above all, restricted the flow of traffic along the most used entry road for the Victoria Business Park (VBP).

The 12 sites:

- Charles Avenue - Boeing /Tesco entrances
- Charles Avenue - ILG, Collins Aerospace & Roche Diagnostics frontage
- Edwards Way - ILG & Collins Aerospace entrances
- Jubilee Road - Mexmast either side of entrance
- Consort Way - opposite corner to Consort Frozen Foods
- Consort Way - HPC Entrance
- Victoria Road - far end where it meets Victoria Avenue (pinch point on the corner)
- Victoria Road - opposite Paper Plus
- Victoria Way - Aureo entrance
- Victoria Way - Wellesley frontage
- Victoria Way - white line down the middle of pavement on North side, indicating pedestrian space required
- Albert Drive - Courier Express entrances (Magpie building)

What happens now?

The 'Developers TRO' approach for new parking restrictions has been used before and worked well with a similar request at the Lancing Business Park.

This is because the cost of advertising 12 separate Community TRO's would otherwise amount to £150,000, not including the possible installation costs.

BHBPA has secured funding, which has been pledged by our members, totalling over £8,000. We have been told this will enable this submission to be fast tracked. We hope this is expedited at the earliest opportunity.

Nevertheless a planning process now begins and the earliest estimates regarding that process suggest we'll be waiting at least six months.

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New Small Business Strategy

The Department for Business and Trade (DBT) has announced its intention to launch a new Small Business Strategy in June.

A key element of this new Strategy will be a Business Growth Service, which aims to simplify access to nationally delivered business support.

Small Business Strategy Framework

The Government's new Small Business Strategy aims to **increase small business productivity and growth**. It will complement and align with the Industrial Strategy and Trade Strategy as part of a comprehensive approach to driving economic growth. The Strategy will focus on the **five core pillars** and be underpinned by the **cross-cutting themes** below.



Cross-cutting themes

- **Targeting and segmentation**: Setting out, across the five pillars, the government's universal offer for all small businesses and more targeted offers for scale-ups and those businesses that want to grow.
- **Information, guidance and support**: Delivering the Business Growth Service, working with local and devolved partners, as part of a clearer business support offer and easy-to-navigate digital interface.
- **Entrepreneurship**: Championing, celebrating and encouraging entrepreneurial culture and mindset.
- **Hardwiring the voice of small business**: Through intensive stakeholder engagement, including through the ministerial-chaired Small Business Growth Forum.

* Core Industrial Strategy and Trade Strategy links

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Feedback Requested

DBT has asked for feedback from stakeholders and SMEs to help inform their direction. BHBPA will be submitting its feedback and our members have the opportunity to have their say and shape the framework for future business support.

Business Consultation

After reading through the Engagement Pack, please can you provide feedback on the proposal by answering the questions below?

1. Considering the main Strategy pillars, what are the priority barriers/issues to growth and productivity that you face? What support might make the biggest difference to you?
2. Where have you identified issues in the current business support service landscape? For example, where have you looked for help and not found it or found the landscape/routes in unnecessarily complex/unhelpful?
3. What aspects of the current business support landscape do you think work well and which don't – thinking of national, local and online services/programmes? What would you want to see incorporated into the BGS that already exists, and what new support offers for SMEs could we consider too?

Tuesday 1st April it would be much appreciated. (deadline extended)



Department for
Business & Trade

Read the full seven page pdf - [CLICK HERE](#)

Send your responses to:
Caroline.Duffy@midsussex.gov.uk
Please submit by 1st April

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- **Building Lasting Relationships:** Discover how to approach and build enduring relationships with large organisations.
- **Opportunity Response:** Master the art of responding to tenders, RFQs, and online opportunities.

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With only 36 spots available across three workshops, you need to act fast! Secure your place now by emailing Gareth.sear@gatwickairport.com

Workshop Dates:

April 16th: 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM (Networking lunch included afterwards)

May 7th: 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM (Networking lunch included afterwards)

June 5th: 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM (Networking lunch included afterwards)

Delivered by experts from Crawley College at Freedom Works, Astral Towers, Crawley and funded by London Gatwick Airport, these workshops are your gateway to business growth.

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Email Gareth Sear at [Gatwick Airport](mailto:Gareth.sear@gatwickairport.com) to reserve your place

Burgess Hill Means Business - 2025

Thursday 15th May

The best business expo in Mid Sussex - **BHMB25**

This is an opportunity to meet your neighbours on the business parks in and around Burgess Hill, to network and to meet new business opportunities.



Exhibition Space Now on Sale

You'll need to book early to secure a stand, demand for our last event, **BHMB23** was unprecedented.

- **Members: £149**
- **Members (verified) of HHBA or EGBA £199**
- **Non-Members £449**

Exhibitors - most will have access from 3.00pm to 7pm on Wednesday 14th May

Visitors - On the day from 10.00am -3.30pm

[Click here for our stand ticketing platform - Billetto](#)

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By supporting this event, we're championing local businesses in their journey toward greater energy independence and sustainability. We look forward to connecting with forward-thinking companies and driving innovation together.



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Headline Sponsorship Package BHMB25

- Space on our BHBPA Website – <https://www.bhbpa.co.uk/bhmb25-exhibition/>
- Weekly newsletter promotion - multiple mentions prior and post event
- Inside front cover or back cover of the digital and printed brochure
- Prime location in the main auditorium (stand space included in package)
- Offer is limited to no more than two headline sponsors

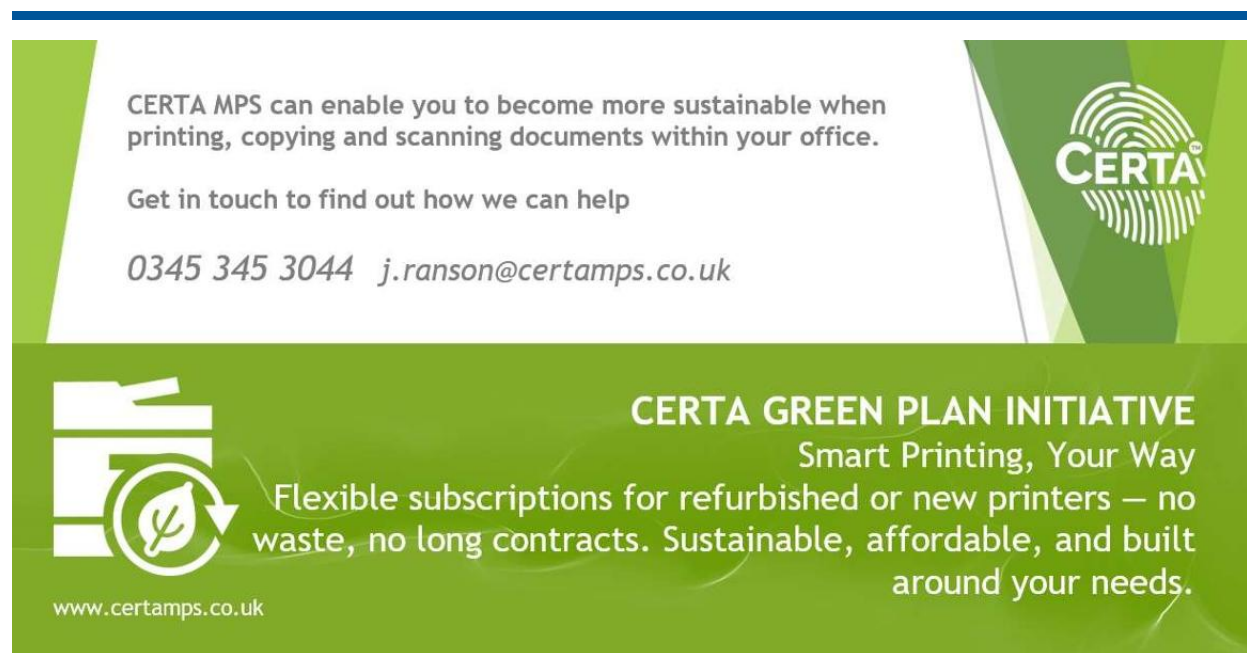
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For all sponsorship and advertising enquiries, please contact Richard Cox CEO of BHBPA richard.cox@bhbpa.co.uk

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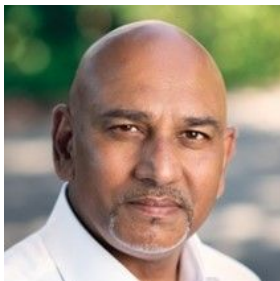
A workshop for BHPBA's Working Group focussed on EDI

An upcoming Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) Workshop is set to provide professionals with the tools, strategies, and insights needed to foster inclusive workplaces and drive meaningful organizational change.

Monday 28th April 10.00-12.00

Cuckfield Room, The Kings Centre, Victoria Road, Burgess Hill

FREE to attend



Dr Kul Verma
EDI & Leadership
Consultant

I wanted to personally invite you to an exclusive **Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) Workshop**—a space where professionals like you can engage in meaningful discussions, share insights, and gain practical strategies to drive real change in the workplace.

EDI isn't just a buzzword—it's a powerful driver of **innovation, business success, and positive workplace culture.**

For more information contact richard.cox@bhbpa.co.uk
Seats are limited, and early registration is encouraged.
To secure a spot click the link below

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Book your place for this Workshop - [CLICK HERE](#)

Charity Roundtable of BHBPA (Spring Edition)

This is the first of what we expect will be a twice yearly roundtable

All charities, fundraising groups and any business or individual wanting to engage with this sector are welcome. Refreshments will be provided courtesy of the [DVLCC](#)



Michael Stratford

The meeting will be chaired by Michael Stratford, of Bluebird (Community Transport Sussex)

An opportunity for local charities and fundraising groups to come together and share best practice with regard to any number of issues:

- General Fundraising
- Corporate Fundraising
- Volunteering
- Business involvement
- And any other topics those attending would like to bring to the table.



Wednesday 23rd April 10.00-12.00pm

The Dame Vera Lynn Children's Charity
Rennie Building, Chailey Heritage Foundation,
Haywards Heath Road,
Chailey BN8 4EF

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Book your place for the Roundtable - [CLICK HERE](#)

Intellectual Property

Your Intellectual Property & IP - How to Protect your Assets

A Workshop for Small ENTERPRISES AND BUSINESS ADVISORS

Your brand's intellectual property (IP) is likely to be one of your most valuable business assets; often worth more than your physical assets. Yet over 90% of businesses fail to protect their IP, and 30% of small enterprises suffer losses due to trademark and design infringement.

Lunchtime learning and networking April 01 online 1240-1330 hrs

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Your Intellectual Property 'IP' Assets:
How to Protect Your Brand Value
Clive Bonny

Your Intellectual Property 'IP' Assets: How to Protect Your Brand Value

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Trademarks, designs, copyrights, website content, client details, staff identities, operating processes, and training materials are all part of your IP! And a single trademark dispute can cost over £100,000.

This practical and eye-opening 50-minute workshop, led by **Clive Bonny**, founder of **Strategic Management Partners**, will help you identify and secure your IP assets, reducing risks and protecting the legacy of your hard work.

What You'll Gain:

- Identify your key IP assets and potential risks
- Learn how to secure and develop your IP for long-term success
- Explore real-world examples of good and bad brand management
- Receive a **free IP review** and **further free consultation**

Clive is a Certified IP Consultant, an advisor to BBC Dragons' Den and the UK Intellectual Property Office, and a Certified Mediator for IP disputes. He also provides free online IP training to help SMEs protect their brand assets and create business sustainability.

The session includes a 40-minute presentation, followed by a 10-minute Q&A where you can get expert advice tailored to your business.

Don't leave your brand unprotected; book now to secure a place!

This event is free for ORB members and our associates with a purely optional charity donation going towards our charity pot. There is a very modest cost of £5 for non-members.

Register for this event [CLICK HERE](#)



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Environment & Climate Change

Balancing economic growth with sustainability



Climate change and working towards net zero is influencing how goods and services are produced, delivered, and consumed. How businesses and local areas adapt to the green economy will have a strong bearing on their future resilience and performance.

This week we adopted a new Economic Strategy which has an ambition to 'boost green innovation, enhance natural capital, and support the transition to net zero'.

You can read more about the new [ten-year economic strategy](#) on our website.



Find out more about our Economic Strategy

Leave a Legacy of Hope

Support Dame Vera Lynn Children's Charity with a Gift in Your Will

Dame Vera Lynn Children's Charity (DVLCC) supports children under five years with cerebral palsy, chromosome abnormalities and rare genetic disorders across the Southeast of England. Offering physiotherapy, conductive education, music therapy, speech & language therapy, hydrotherapy and a home outreach service, DVLCC provides the best possible care for children with motor learning impairments, equipping them with basic skills that will help them to have the best possible start in life.



DVLCC is inviting supporters to make a lasting difference, this March, by leaving a gift in their will, as part of a national charity campaign. A gift today can literally change the future of a child supported by DVLCC can continue to receive vital services empowering them and their families for years to come. With no statutory funding, DVLCC relies entirely on the generosity of the public to continue its work. It's an ideal way for those who can't donate today but can help later.

By leaving a gift in your will to DVLCC, you can play a vital role in ensuring the future of these life-changing services and shaping the lives of young children across the Southeast. Every gift, no matter how small, helps to:

- Fund specialist therapy programmes tailored to children's individual needs.
- Provide support to families navigating the challenges of supporting a child with complex health issues.
- Maintain and expand the services that DVLCC provide to help serve more families in need.

"Dame Vera Lynn Children's Charity gave us a place to belong, unwavering support not only for our son but for us, as parents, trying to navigate all the complications that come along with having a child with additional needs. We could only dream of a day where he would be heading off to school, telling us all about the things he has been learning. Now he is settling into full time mainstream school which we could never have even dreamed of when he was born." – a parent supported by the charity

How to leave a legacy

Including DVLCC in your will is simpler than you might think and is a meaningful way to ensure that you can continue supporting a cause close to your heart. If you would like to leave a gift in your will, you can:

1. Call the team on **01444 473274** for an informal chat.
2. We will put you in touch with one of our legal partners to help you begin the process of creating or editing your will.
3. Decide how much you would like to leave as your legacy. This can be a fixed sum, determined by you, or a percentage of your estate. All we ask is that you ensure that you look after your loved ones first.

All legacies will help to transform countless lives for generations to come. Together, we can create a brighter future for children with cerebral palsy, chromosome abnormalities and rare genetic disorders.



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Visit dvlcc.org.uk for more information on the charity's work.
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Tackling Burnout

Tackling Burnout and Prioritising Wellbeing in the Workplace

Burnout is more than just feeling tired—it's a serious issue affecting employee wellbeing, productivity, and workplace culture. In 2019, 22% of UK adults reported job-related burnout. By 2024, that number had soared to 63%, with many feeling exhausted, disengaged, or struggling to perform.

This trend makes it clear: organisations must take workplace wellbeing seriously, not as a perk but as a core business priority.

How The Kind Brave Leader Can Help

At The Kind Brave Leader, I help organisations build kind, resilient, and sustainable workplaces. As a certified burnout coach, I bring expertise, real-world experience, and a people-first approach to preventing burnout and fostering healthier teams.



Helen Rimmer

- **Burnout Audits & Wellbeing Strategy Development** – Identify risks, assess wellbeing challenges, and create strategies to boost engagement and performance.
- **Wellbeing & Burnout Prevention Workshops** – Practical, research-backed sessions to help employees manage stress, build resilience, and sustain productivity.
- **Leadership & Management Training** – Equip managers to spot early signs of burnout, support their teams, and foster a positive workplace culture.
- **HR & Workplace Wellbeing Consultancy** – Tailored guidance to help organisations implement effective wellbeing initiatives that reduce absenteeism and improve retention.
- **Ongoing Support for Sustainable Wellbeing** – Wellbeing isn't a one-time fix. I provide ongoing support to embed lasting strategies.



Why Workplace Wellbeing Matters

- **Burnout is rising** – 76% of organisations report stress-related absences due to heavy workloads and poor management practices.
- **Wellbeing improves business outcomes** – Companies prioritising wellbeing see 23% higher productivity and 27% lower absenteeism.
- **Financial benefits** – Every £1 invested in wellbeing returns an average of £4.70.

Workplace wellbeing isn't just about ticking a box—it's about creating a culture where people feel valued, supported, and able to do their best work without burning out.

Free Webinar 1st April: 12:30-1:30

To help businesses understand how to tackle burnout effectively, I'm hosting a free webinar on 1st April. I'll share insights into identifying and preventing burnout in the workplace. [Register here.](#)

If you'd like to explore how I can support your organisation, let's set up a time to chat.



Helen Rimmer

Kindness and wellbeing coach and trainer, **The Kind Brave Leader**

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Will you make a difference?

April is Make a Will Month and the ideal time to get your affairs in order and protect your loved ones.

We are very fortunate to have the support of local solicitors in Haywards Heath, Horsham, Lewes and Uckfield who throughout April will write a basic Will for you in return for a donation to St Peter & St James Hospice.

For more information, including the list of participating solicitors go to:

[Leave a Gift in your Will - St Peter and St James Hospice](#)



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The Super-Networking Event of 2025

Joint networking event on April 9th 5-7pm.

Being held at: [The Padel Hub](#)

Unit 4, Link 23, Nursery Lane

RH17 5JS, Haywards Heath

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Our Training Partners

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- Approved Training Providers
- Accredited Qualifications
- Ease of Booking

Special Introductory offers available for a limited time only

Rewards Training - Offer

The Institute of Leadership Management (ILM) Level 3 course - Management, from Rewards Training. This is an accredited qualification and will be taught over three half days, over a 12 week period. See our website for full details.

- Non-members - currently £600 + VAT
- **Introductory offer BHBPA members price £499 + VAT**
- Reverting to normal BHBPA members price later next month at £549.

Cybility Consulting - Offer

An interactive two hour course. See our website for full details.

- **First 15 booked on the course : £95 + VAT**
- Reverting to £145 per delegate for BHBPA members

See all our Training Courses for 2025

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Visit our website

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AI Conference

Understanding the human aspect of AI

CCG & the Sussex & Surrey IoT have been working in partnership with Roffey Park to developing an exciting new AI Conference aimed at leaders and manager to understand the human aspect of AI.

BHBPA members can claim a whopping 20% discount.

Transforming Together: The Human Touch in an AI World

18 June 2025

From healthcare to education, finance to the arts, AI is shaping the way we work and live. But behind every algorithm and automation, there is a human story. Join us as we delve into the opportunities and challenges of an AI-driven world – where empathy, ethics, and inclusivity are just as important as efficiency and performance.

Transforming Together is your opportunity to engage in meaningful conversations, forge new connections, and help shape the future of human-centred AI. We are bringing together thought leaders, researchers, and industry pioneers to discuss the future of AI with a people-first approach. Through keynote sessions, interactive panels, and hands-on workshops, we'll explore how AI can empower human creativity, foster collaboration, and drive ethical progress.

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Easter Fun in 2025!

They'll be plenty to keep the children busy this Easter school holidays with several FREE events!

On **Monday 7th April**, the **Family Fun Sessions** return at The King's Church. They will run at 12.30pm and 2.30pm, where there will be a range of activities for all ages, as well as services to offer information and support to families. These sessions are exclusively for families of children & young people with SEND (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities) and spaces must be booked in advance.

Tuesday 8th sees the return of 'Rock up and Ride' with free coaching at the **BMX track**. The event will run 10.30am-4pm with two coaching sessions at 10.30am and 1pm. DJ Matt will be providing musical entertainment too! Coaching sessions must be booked in advance, otherwise children are welcome to just drop in and enjoy the music and a ride!

Tennis taster sessions will be taking place on **Wednesday 9th and 16th** at St John's Park, Tennis Court, from 2-4pm. They will be run by a qualified coach and are aimed at ages 5-14. A waiver must be completed ahead of attending the sessions.

There will also be **taster basketball sessions aimed at 9-14-year-olds**. They will run 10am-12pm, on **Thursday 10th** at Maple Drive Multi-sports Court, and Thursday 17th at St John's Park, Basketball Court. Parents must complete a waiver ahead of children attending sessions. During the day Burgess Hill Football Club will be open 10am-3pm for people to purchase hot drinks.

Join us **at the Kiln on Monday 14th for Easter bonnet making**, followed by a parade to show off children's creations! After the hard work is over, there will then be a free picnic for the children. Sessions will run at 9.30am, 10.30am, & 11.30am, and are aimed at ages 5-11. Spaces must be booked in advance from 31st March. Please note the 11.30am session is for those with SEND.

And if that wasn't enough the ever-popular town trail returns for the Easter Holidays!

Bramble was collecting supplies to make his Easter bonnet, but he's dropped all the items across the town centre, and needs help finding them! Running from Monday 7th, until Thursday 17th April, follow the clues and return your map to the Help Point for a fantastic prize! Every completed form counts as an entry towards the prize draw too.

More information on all events and how to book can be found on our website by visiting www.burgesshill.gov.uk/town-community/town-events/



Easter Bonnet Making, Parade & Picnic
Monday 14th April
at The Kiln
 (30-32 The Martlets, RH15 9NN)

Bonnet making at 9.30am, 10.30am and 11.30pm*
 Followed by a parade at 12.30pm & then a picnic!

Book your free session from 31st March, by calling 01444 247726 or visit ticketsource.co.uk/burgesshill

* Aimed at ages 5-11. By participating in the craft session you are expected to take part in the parade, the picnic is optional. The 11.30am session for those with SEND. For more info, scan the QR code, call 01444 247726 or email communityteam@burgesshill.gov.uk

Co-organised by Burgess Hill Town Council, BHCC, and Rotary.



Sports Taster Sessions
 An opportunity to learn new skills with qualified coaches. Sessions are FREE, but a waiver must be completed ahead of participation.

TENNIS for ages 5-14
WEDNESDAY 9 APRIL & WEDNESDAY 16 APRIL
 2-4PM
ST JOHN'S PARK, TENNIS COURT
 Children must be accompanied by an adult, regardless of age. Please bring a drink and wear trainers.

BASKETBALL for ages 9-14
THURSDAY 10 APRIL
 10AM-12PM
MAPLE DRIVE MULTISPORTS COURT, EASTBRIDGE AVENUE
 (BEHIND MAPLE DRIVE PARK)

THURSDAY 17 APRIL
 10AM-12PM
ST JOHN'S PARK, BASKETBALL COURT
 Children must be accompanied by an adult, regardless of age. Please bring a drink and a basketball if you have one.

COMPLETE THE WAIVER VIA THE QR CODE OR VISIT: BURGESSHILL.GOV.UK/TOWN-COMMUNITY/TOWN-EVENTS/
 FOR MORE INFO CALL 01444 247726 OR EMAIL COMMUNITYTEAM@BURGESSHILL.GOV.UK



BRAMBLES EASTER BONNET TRAIL
7 - 17 APRIL

Help Bramble find items around town to decorate his Easter Bonnet!

1. Collect your trail map from the Help Point
2. Follow the clues around Town
3. Return your map to the Help Point to collect your prize!

Help Point opening hours:
 Mon, Wed, & Thurs: 9am - 5pm
 Tues: 10am - 5pm
 *Fri: 9am - 4:30pm
 *Help Point closed on Good Friday

More info on: www.burgesshill.gov.uk



Family Fun Sessions
 -Holiday sessions for families of children and young people SEND*
*Special Educational Needs and Disabilities

The King's Church
Monday 7 April
 12.30-2pm and 2.30-4pm
 aimed at ages 3-18

FREE ADMISSION
 Tickets must be pre-booked from 7 March via TicketSource, by calling The Help Point on 01444 247726 or in person at 96 Church Walk

Easter themed arts and crafts, activities, information services and much more!
 Follow the Town Council's social media or check our website for updates

Co-organised by THE KING'S CHURCH and Burgess Hill Town Council
 Any questions contact the Community Team on 01444 238206 or email communityteam@burgesshill.gov.uk



FREE

STICK ON LONG TROUSERS, GRAB YOUR BIKE, A HELMET AND...

...ROCK UP AND RIDE!

8 APRIL 10.30AM-4PM
BURGESS HILL BMX TRACK, RH15 8RW
 -OFF MAPLE DRIVE

There will also be basketball sessions at Maple Drive multisports court, Eastbridge Avenue, at 11am and 12pm aimed at ages 9-14

FOR MORE INFORMATION, INCLUDING HOW TO BOOK, SCAN THE QR CODE, VISIT BURGESSHILL.GOV.UK/EVENTS/ROCK-UP-AND-RIDE/, EMAIL COMMUNITYTEAM@BURGESSHILL.GOV.UK OR CALL THE HELP POINT ON 01444 247726

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The Park Centre

An update on progress so far

We have been working hard behind the scenes to get Park Centre ready to be opened very soon. We have been completing a list of urgent repair works but our boiler has unfortunately broken after it was recommissioned, so we still have no heating or hot water.

There has been a lot of interest in our stage being opened fully for events, performances, and various activities. We had planned on opening it up later in the year, but it seems better to restore it to its original size now. It is important that this youth and community building has the support of the local businesses.

The youth of today are our town's future, so getting the local business involved, will help build stronger relationships. We are hoping to create an amazing place we can all be so proud of. We have multiple rooms that businesses may wish to hire on occasion for large events.

We would welcome a close relationship between local business and the local community. Closer to opening time we would like to invite businesses in to see what we have done and how they could be involved.

Please support us via Crowdfunder - [CLICK HERE](#)



We look forward to hearing from you.

Karen Taylor: Chairperson

Park Centre Burgess Hill

parkcentre.org.uk

Registered Charity No: 1203295

All Upcoming BHBPA Events

26th March
8.30 - 11.00am

The Oak Barn Restaurant

BHBPA's Annual General Meeting + Networking

An overview of the past year and review of what is to come
Guest presentation from the Burgess Hill Academy Support Group

9th April
5.00 - 7.00pm

Joint Event of BHBPA, EGBA, GDB & HHBA

The Padel Hub - Haywards Heath

Numbers limited to first 100 bookings

15th May
10.00 - 3.30pm

Burgess Hill Means Business

BHBPA's biennial business expo

One of the biggest in Sussex

Please 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!

Book all Events - [CLICK HERE](#)

Closing Remarks

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 various business parks in and around the town.

Let's celebrate your successes and achievements!

Deadline for copy each week is Thursday noon.

Contact me directly - richard.cox@bhbpa.co.uk



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