

Hastings Environment Week 1991



**Organised by Hastings Environment Forum
Co-ordinated by Hastings Trust
Sponsored by the Hastings & St. Leonard's Observer
and the Civic Trust**

Come on, the town's future is up to you!

RESIDENTS are being challenged to "Put the Heart Back Into Hastings," during this year's Environment Week.

The Hastings Environment Forum has adopted the Observer campaign slogan as the central theme for the Week which runs from Friday, May 10 to Sunday, May 19.

Local groups — schools, businesses, voluntary groups, clubs — taking up the Environment Challenge '91, will be expected to "beat the clock" by starting and finishing their project during the week.

Challenges could include turning a derelict area

into a garden, brightening up a playground, restoring a local landmark or any other ideas groups might have for improving the local environment.

To beat the clock the teams are advised to have all their equipment ready for the off at the start of the week and to have everything planned well in advance.

"Whether prospects for the Heart of Hastings will look better or not will depend on the ideas and challenges people come up with," said Nick Wates of the Hastings Trust.

The Hastings Environment Forum has chosen as its challenge a Planning for Real Exercise where

members of the public can come up with ideas for what they would like to see in their town.

The Forum has been awarded £200 by the Civic Trust for the project and will report back at the end of the week.

The Environment Week organisers are hoping the response to "Put the Heart back Into Hastings" will be as enthusiastic as it was for the national competition to redesign Hastings Pier as part of the Hastings 2000 Environment Week Exhibition held last year.

That competition was won by Lewes firm, BKB

Architects, who were presented with a £2,500 cheque for their vision of the pier which included a dome and a public square.

This year's Environment Week should prove to be just as dynamic as Hastings 2000, with various exhibitions and 10 days of events involving many local groups and societies.

To find out more, contact Hastings Environment Forum, tel 446373.

IF you have an Environmental Challenge in mind, let the Observer know and we will do our best to give it publicity. Call our Newsroom, on 854242.

On the next two pages you'll find a complete list of Environment Week events and on page 26 are maps showing where it's all happening.

Thursday 9th May - Sunday 19th May 1991

To help promote Environment Week you can use this page as a window poster

Hastings Environment Week 1991

Put the Heart Back into Hastings

Programme



(Locations of events are identified by map reference numbers in brackets - See maps)

Thursday 9th May

10am onwards

Environment Week Eve Shop Cleaning Day

Come and help Environment Forum members clean up the empty shop premises being made available by the Borough Council for the 'Put the Heart Back into Hastings' exhibition. 3 Queens Parade, Queens Road (15).

Friday 10th May

2pm

Launch of Hastings Environment Week 1991

Council Chamber, Town Hall, Queens Road (2). Organised by Hastings Environment Forum.

2.15pm

Launch of Hastings' Environmental Bursary Fund and an Environmental Statement of Intent

Public announcement of Hastings Borough Council's new bursary fund for green initiatives and an Environmental Statement of Intent which is being put out for public consultation prior to the drawing up of an Environmental Charter for Hastings later in the year. Council Chamber, Town Hall, Queens Road (2). Organised by Hastings Borough Council Environmental Health Department.

2.30pm

Hastings Pride Award Ceremony

Presentations by Deputy Mayor, Cllr Miss June Fabian, to the winning entries of the schools environment competition. Council Chamber, Town Hall, Queens Road (2). Sponsored by Hastings & St Leonards First Association and Hastings Borough Council Environmental Health Department. Entries will be on display in the Town Hall until 12 May.

Sunday 12th May

10am

West Hill Litter Pick

Meet at bottle bank at south end of Collier Road (8). Bags provided. Organised by West Hill Residents Association.

10am-3.30pm

Wallingers Garden Gardening Day

Help create a bog garden for wetland plants, one of many projects in this new neighbourhood garden off Wellington Road (opposite 1066 bakery) (9). Tools provided. The Castle Hill Improvement and Protection Society (CHIPS) and Hastings Conservation Volunteers look forward to seeing you. (Ring 432123 or 446395 for more info)

2.30pm-5pm

Churchwood Wildflower Walk

A pleasant 1.5 mile stroll around an old coppiced woodland to see what's happening there in spring. With Geoff Solley of the 2Hastings Countryside Rangers. Meet at Churchwood carpark (11) (Map Ref: TQ786114), buses 20 or 33.

2.30pm

White Rock Litter Chase

Meet at junction of White Rock Road and White Rock Gardens (10). Bags provided. All welcome. Organised by White Rock Residents Association. Followed by:

3.30pm

Bring and Buy

Tea and bring and buy sale in aid of Hastings Environment Forum. On the patio at 1b White Rock Gardens (entrance at side of No1) (13). Organised by White Rock Residents Association.

3pm

Wildflower Walk in St Helens Woods.

Meet at woods end of Langham Road (12). Led by Hastings Urban Wildlife Group. Organised by St Helens Park Preservation Society.

6pm

Broomgrove Valley Walk

Meet with the Hurrell & Lower Broomgrove Residents Association to see the valley and discuss its features and future. Meet at junction of Lower Broomgrove Road and Mount Pleasant Road (14). Boots advisable. Followed by tea on the lawn.

Monday 13th May

2pm-5.30pm

Planning for Real Training Session

3 Queens Parade, Queens Road (15). Training session with Dr Tony Gibson on using Planning-for-Real models. All welcome (See display for details.)

6pm

Cemetery Walk

"The Grave's a fine and private place".... Guided walk around Hastings Cemetery where many interesting Hastings folk have been buried. Meet at main entrance on the Ridge (16). Duration: 1 hour. Organised by Hastings Area Archaeological Research Group.

7.30pm until late

Hastings International ECOFEST '92

Public Launch & Party

Marina Pavilion, St Leonards (17).

7.30-8.30: Introduction to next year's planned environment week festival by the Coordinating Committee with discussion on how it can bring ideas, money and jobs to the town (see box display).

8.30 onwards: Festival Party with live music from BLUES CARTEL and special guests. Bar. Food. Dancing. Entry free.

EARTHSCAPE EXHIBITION

NEW VISIONS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIONS: PRIZE WINNERS AND SELECTED ENTRIES FROM A NATIONAL ART COMPETITION FOR ENVIRONMENT WEEK 1991

Hastings Pier, Upper Gallery
Opening Ceremony 3pm to 6pm
5 Saturday 11th May
With music and performances by invited artists
Exhibition continues until
Sun 19th May
Open Daily 10am-5pm

A Hastings Trust Initiative with the Public Art Society
Supported by British Telecom and the Civic Trust

Judges: Victoria Cliff-Hodges, Mike von Joel, Andrew Graham-Dixon, Laetitia Yhap, Karen Demuth

Response by artists to the planet's environmental crisis has mostly been to document the horrific nature of ecological problems with works depicting oiled coastlines, landscapes destroyed by acid rain, vistas of urban decay and so on.

This exhibition is a positive response by artists towards finding solutions for the Earth's environmental problems.

Hastings International

EcoFest '92

14th-20th May 1992

focusing on the vital theme of

Sustainable Towns for Our Future

TOPICS

will include

Environmental Education
 Ecological Production
 Organic & Urban Farming
 Participatory Planning & Design
 Holistic Health
 Marine Heritage
 Communication & Transport
 Co-operative & Self-help Building
 Urban & Rural Wildlife
 Third World Networking
 Recycling
 Training & Retraining

ACTIVITIES

Information Exchange for global experts & worldwide organisations. Practical Demonstrations, Films Seminars, Workshops, etc.

ENTERTAINMENT

Every available venue in this seaside resort will be used for Celebrity Appearances, Performances in all the Arts, etc.

First 1066, now 1992! Another milestone for Hastings and perfectly timed for maximum attendance and media coverage

SPONSORS

Seed money is needed to bring this project to fruition. Main sponsors, promoters and participants are invited. EcoFest '92 is an initiative of Hastings Environmental Forum, a federation of over 30 organisations concerned with the environment of the Hastings area. It is co-ordinated by the Hastings Trust, a newly formed Charity. Please contact EcoFest '92, Hastings Trust, 58a High Street, Hastings, East Sussex TN34 3BN. Tel: (0424) 446377, Fax: 434286.

Tuesday 14th May

10am

Put the Heart Back into Hastings Exhibition Opens

3 Queens Parade, Queens Road (15). Open until 7pm and for the rest of the week. (See display for details.)

3pm-5pm

Old Town Guided Walk

Led by Don Beney of the Old Hastings Preservation Society. Meet at the top of the West Hill lift (18).

5.30pm for 6pm

Hastings International ECOFEST '92

Civic Launch Reception

Council Chamber, Town Hall, Queens Road (2). An invitation to discover the various opportunities for businesses and other organisations in Hastings to become involved in next year's environment week international festival (see box display).

7.30pm

Trials of Life

Environmental play by Andrew Wright on Man's destruction of the planet, performed by members of Hastings & Rother Friends of the Earth. Plus short play called The Last Flower by Inside Out Mime Theatre children's group. Free entry, refreshments afterwards. Friends Meeting House, South Terrace (18).

8pm

Piers, Paddle Steamers and Hastings Trolley Buses

Archive film show and talk by Amanda Huntley and Ken Adams. Free entry. Pier Ballroom (7). Organised by Pier Preservation Society. (Phone Amanda Huntley Tel: 071 226 9280 for more info)

Wednesday 15th May

10.30am-12noon

Save Britain's Heritage Coffee Morning

Coffee morning in aid of SAVE Britain's Heritage. At the St Leonards Conservation Centre, 49 Marina, St Leonards (15). All welcome.

2pm-8pm

Archaeology Open Day

Display of work by the Hastings Area Archaeological Research Group, particularly Ore Place and Church. At their HQ behind the Teachers Centre in Priory Road (20). Refreshments available.

2.15pm

Guided Walk around Burtons' St Leonards

Conducted by well-known local historian Barry Funnell. Duration: 1 hour. Meet at the St Leonards Conservation Centre, 49 Marina (19). Tea afterwards. Organised by the Burtons' St Leonards Society.

4.30-6pm

Environmental Education Exhibition Open Evening

Environmental agencies will explain how they can support teachers with environmental studies. Participants include; Hastings First Association, St Helens Park Preservation Society, Hastings Trust, Mallydams, Hastings Urban Wildlife Group, Hastings Badger Protection Society and Ninfield Rural Studies Centre. Teachers Centre, Priory Road (5).

6pm

Springclean the High Street.

Bring your own buckets and brooms. Organised by High Street Traders (3).

7pm

St Helens Woods Work Evening

First of a summer season of weekly work evenings for anyone who would like to help maintain one of Hastings' finest natural features. Meet at woods end of Langham Road (12). Organised by the St Helens Park Preservation Society (Tel 446395 for more info)

You are invited to the

Picnic in the Park

Bandstand, Alexandra Park



SATURDAY 11th MAY 11am-4pm

to mark the beginning of
ENVIRONMENT WEEK '91
 Organised by the
Hastings Environment Forum

Saturday 11th May

10am

High Street Sign Unveiling Ceremony.

Performed by Russell Watson, Juggler and Hastings Environment Forum Chairman. At junction of High Street and George Street (4). Organised by High Street Traders with financial help from the Old Hastings Preservation Society and Hastings Trust.

10am-1pm

Environmental Education Exhibition

Exhibition by local environmental agencies on how they can help teachers with environmental studies in schools. Teachers Centre, Priory Road (5). Organised by Hastings Teachers Centre.

11am - 4.00pm

Picnic in the Park

Music, Mime and Dance at Alexandra Park Bandstand (6). Free. Bring your own food etc. Performers include: Rubber Band, The Inside Out Mime Theatre, The Reel Thing, Hastings Contemporary Dance and Little M's Dance Band. Face painting by Kate Adams (see box display). Organised by the Hastings Environment Forum.

3pm-6pm

Earthscape Exhibition Opening

Opening of the national art competition exhibition on "New Visions for Environmental Solutions". With performances by invited artists. Upper Gallery, Hastings Pier (7). All welcome. (See display for details.)

Thursday 16th May

All day

Ore Place Clearance

Clearance work at Ore Place in preparation for archaeological excavations starting on 20th May. Volunteers wanted. Bring tools for clearing undergrowth. Organised by Hastings Area Archaeological Research Group. Meet 10am at the entrance off de Chardin Drive, Elphinstone Road (21).

1.30pm-3.30pm

St Anne's Scenic Walk

The Beavers Midweek conservation volunteers, including a group from Hastings College, continue work on creating a circular scenic walk for staff and patients at the Hastings Health Authority centre, St Anne's House on the Ridge (22). (Tel 446395 for more info)

2pm-4pm

Stade Warden Open Afternoon

Come and help the Stade Wardens clean up the fishermen's beach and find out more about this pilot area management scheme sponsored by the Fishermen's Protection Society, Old Hastings Preservation Society, Sea Life Centre, Borough Tourism Department and the Hastings Trust. Meet by the lifeboat house (29). Bag of mixed fresh fish for the person who picks up the most rubbish.

6.30pm

Design Guide for Hastings?

The Hastings Urban Design Group reconvenes with a view to planning practical action to improve our townscape. George Street Hall, 10 George Street (30). All welcome.

Saturday 11th May

2pm

Guestling Woods Spring Walk

Three mile circular walk with the Fairlight Down Conservation Society. Meet at the Two Sawyers Public House, Pett Road, Pett (25). No charge but small donation to the society funds welcomed.

2.30pm-5pm

Country Park Springflower Walk

Come and identify some of the common wild flowers in Hastings Country Park which always looks lovely at this time of year. 1.5 miles with Hastings Countryside Ranger Geoff Solley. Meet at the Country Park Visitors Centre (26) (Map Ref: TQ860116). Toilet facilities available.

2.30pm

Walks and Music in the Park

Two guided walks around Alexandra Park followed by a concert and tea. Organised by the Co-operative Women's Guild with the aim of combining education and recreation in a natural setting. One walk will be suitable for those in wheelchairs, the other will be more strenuous. Start and finish at the bandstand (6) where a concert will start at 4pm. Bring picnic and folding chairs if required.

On All Week

Put the Heart Back into Hastings Open Exhibition and Planning for Real

An exhibition of new and old ideas for the Town Centre and an opportunity for people to test out their ideas using a large scale model. 3 Queens Parade, Queens Road (15). Monday 13th to Saturday 18th May. 10am to 7pm. Organised by Hastings Environment Forum. (see display for details of special sessions.)

Environmental Education Exhibition

Exhibition for teachers by local environmental agencies on how they can help schools with environmental studies. At the Teachers Centre, Priory Road (5). Monday 13 to Friday 17 May, 9.30am - 4.00pm. Public sessions: 4.30pm-6pm Wednesday 15th and 10am-1pm Saturday 11th. Organised by Hastings Teachers Centre.

Earthscape National Art Exhibition

Exhibition of a selection of competition entries on the theme: 'New Visions for Environmental Solutions'. Upper Gallery, Hastings Pier (7). Sunday 12th May to Sunday 19th. 10.00am-5.00pm daily. Organised by Hastings Trust and Public Art Society. (See display for details.)

DASH and the Great White Elephants

Exhibition of photographs by Jo Nelson showing the effects of building a PWR on a Suffolk community. Plus cartoons by Martin Honeysett taking a humorous look at Dungeness Nuclear Power Station. At the Lord Nelson pub Eaterie in the Bourne (27). Organised by the Dungeness Action Society Hastings

Plynlimmon Road Mural Painting

West Hill Residents Association will be repainting the mural in Plynlimmon Road (28) during the week, starting on 11th May. Coordinated by Brian Grain of 17 Plynlimmon Road.

Awards

Fairlight Environmental Awareness Award

The Fairlight Down Conservation Society will be presenting an award during Environment Week to the person or group whose efforts have done most to improve the environment of Fairlight Down.

Organising Environment Week costs

money

The more sponsorship we get, the better the Week will be, the more we can improve our environment.

If you can help in any way please contact:

**Russell Watson, Chairman
Hastings Environment Forum
c/o Hastings Trust
58a High Street Hastings
East Sussex TN34 3EN
Tel: (0424) 440909**

Sponsorship can be for specific projects or for general organisation

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ROBERT TRESSELL WORKSHOPS

Workshop Space
Business Advice
Community Enterprise

Station Yard, Devonshire Road Hastings.

Tel: (0424) 722213

Hastings International ECOFEST '92

Public launch of Party
Monday 13th May at
MARINA PAVILION

with Live Music from
BLUES CARTEL and Special Guests.

Bar food, Dancing. 7.30 till late
ENTRY FREE! BE THERE!

Further details from Co-ordinator
Michael Oliphant 0424 882142

Visit our
CONSERVATION SHOPS



For information and advice on how to improve your environment

58a High Street, Old Town Hastings, East Sussex TN34 3EN Telephone: 0424 440272 Open Monday to Saturday 10 am - 5 pm

51 Levington Conservation Centre 49 Marina, St Leonards-on-Sea East Sussex TN38 0BE Telephone: 0424 718636 Open Monday to Friday 10 am - 4 pm

A Hastings Trust Enterprise

To all our clients and friends
Please note that the

HASTINGS URBAN CONSERVATION PROJECT

came to an end on 31st March 1991
The project's work is now being handled by the new



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at the same address:

The Conservation Shop, 58a High Street, Hastings, East Sussex TN34 3EN. Tel: (0424) 446173 and 440909. Fax: (0424) 434206.

Branch Office: St Leonards Conservation Centre, 49 Marina, St Leonards-on-Sea, East Sussex TN38 0BE. Tel: (0424) 718636. Fax: (0424) 421026.

May we take this opportunity to thank all those who have contributed towards the Project's success over the past 5 years, and to wish the Hastings Trust the very best of luck for the future.

HUCP Joint Committee
April 1991

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Councillor Philip Michael-Anthony, Councillor Michael Sandaver.

English Heritage Representative:
Cheryl Bird.

HELPING PEOPLE IMPROVE THEIR ENVIRONMENT

Friday 17th May

1.30pm-3pm

Hollington Woodland Day

Hollington Junior School pupils will be learning how to look after the copse they planted in the winter and replacing lost trees. (Tel 446395 or 853466 for more info).

6pm

A Sci-Fi Soiree

Best-selling authors David Gemmell and Mary Gentle discuss their work at the Hastings Book Centre, 1 Harold Place (23). (Tel 420634 for more info)

Saturday 18th May

All Weekend

Pond Ecology and Management Course

The wildlife of ponds explored and explained during this 2 day course run by the British Trust for Conservation Volunteers. For bookings telephone 446395.

10am-1pm & 2.30pm-5.30pm

Planning for Real sessions

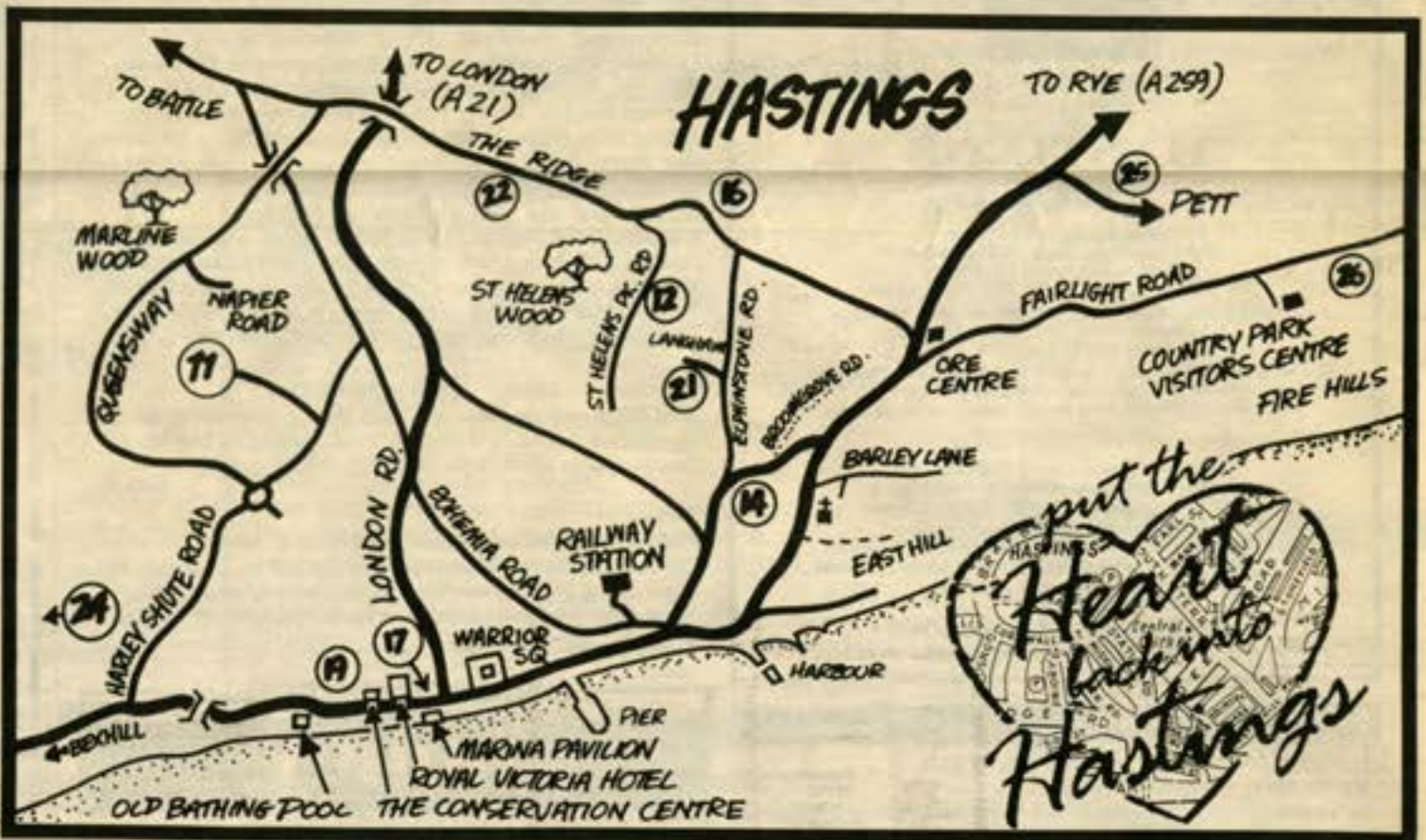
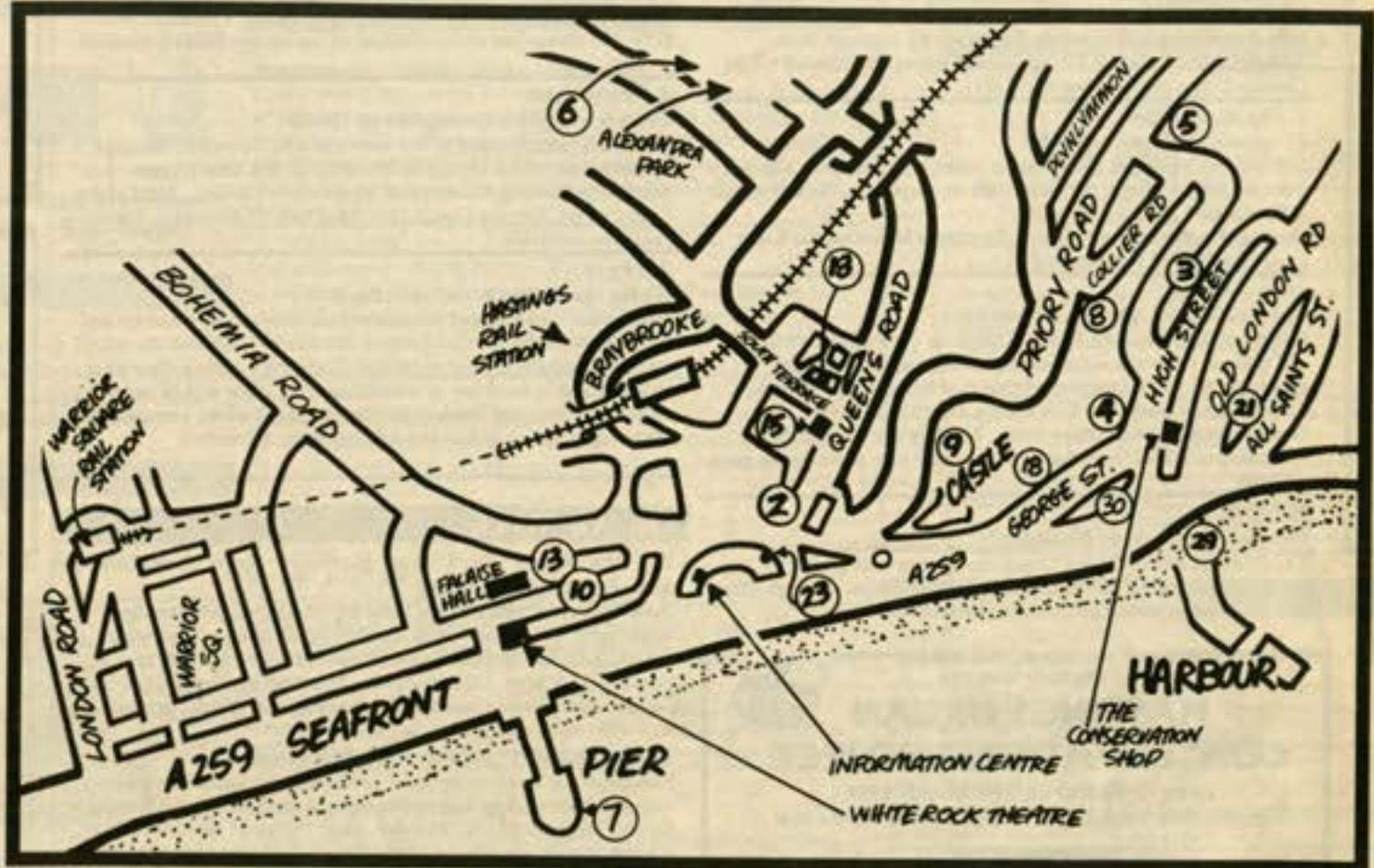
Put your ideas for improving the town centre into practice using a large model of the town centre. At 3 Queens Parade, Queens Road (15). (see display for details)

2.30pm

Gillham Wood Guided Walk

Friends of Gillham Wood invite you to come and enjoy their community woodland and learn something about their work to preserve and improve it. Meet in Gillham Wood Road, Cooden (24). (Tel 446395 or (3) 3702 for more info).

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Hastings Environment Week 1991
'Put the Heart Back into Hastings'
OPEN EXHIBITION & PLANNING FOR REAL

Organised by the Hastings Environment Forum Sponsored by Hastings Trust, 3 Queens Parade, Queens Road Tuesday 14th May to Saturday 18th May. DAILY 10am to 7pm

How can we put the heart back into Hastings? What options are available? How would you like to see the town centre improved?

This exhibition is open for everyone to present their ideas. Several organisations will be mounting panels showing new and old ideas for the Town Centre. But there will be plenty of space for others.

There will also be the opportunity for people to test out their ideas, using a large scale model with moveable pieces. This will be the first time that the widely acclaimed new 'Planning-for-Real' technique will have been used in Hastings.

SPECIAL SESSIONS
Planning for Real Training Day with Dr Tony Gibson. Monday 13th May 2pm-5.30pm
Planning Sessions Saturday 18th May 10pm-1pm and 2.30pm-5.30pm

Special sessions for community groups by arrangement. Book now. Cost: free. For more information contact: Jenny Tracey, 54a High Street, Hastings TN34 3EN. Tel: (0424) 446373 or 449009

ENVIRONMENT WEEK 1991
HASTINGS ENVIRONMENT FORUM
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