

## Press Release

### Winter Planting Continues In Hailsham Town Centre

It's a blooming marvellous time as town councilors and Hailsham In Bloom volunteers made a start on this year's winter planting to ensure that the town centre maintains its colourful and lush green image early next year.

Despite the autumn chill in the air, volunteers, which included the Town Mayor and Deputy Town Mayor, Councillors Jeff Bentley-Astor and Richard Grocock, fellow committee members Susan Mulley, John Ratcliffe and Councillor Maggie Burt amongst others, kept themselves busy on Sunday [23<sup>rd</sup> October] by planting the pedestrian guard rail planters in George Street, North Street and Hailsham High Street with winter shrubs, busily preparing for the 2012 winter and spring seasons ahead.

In the coming weeks, volunteers are scheduled to plant an assortment of new bedding plants in other parts of the town, to make sure that Hailsham's landscapes will be a mix of vibrant colours next year.

Councillor Grocock said taking pride in the town centre's appearance is something which comes naturally to the members of the Hailsham In Bloom Committee: "We are always looking ahead at ways to improve the town's horticultural displays as part of our commitment to keeping Hailsham vibrant, colourful and clean. What better way to act on that by carrying out this winter planting, which can be enjoyed by residents and visitors to the town during the winter."

"I wish to thank each and everyone who involved in this task, and town council works staff for maintaining the pedestrian guard rail planters to such a high standard throughout the year."

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