



## Hove Civic Society Forum 2017

27<sup>th</sup> April 2017, 7pm

Courtlands Hotel, The Drive

### Improving our Townscape – for a better environment for Hove

Public sector expenditure cuts are starting to affect our environment. This year we will have £25M cuts, next year £15M and the year after £11M. Nobody knows exactly where future cuts will fall, but they will impact on all services and not least on our environment here in Hove.

We are already faced with a deteriorating environment with insufficient upkeep of our public realm, as noted by visitors and residents alike. If this goes much further the attraction of the City as a whole is being threatened.

What can we do to soften the impact of the lack of care for our environment and where can we use our limited resources most effectively?

Our Forum this year tries to give a vision of what should and could be done.

**Nick Lomax**, Director of LCE Architects, will talk on the impediments to improvements to the public realm, will show examples of public realm schemes in the City and how the Society can assist in bringing such schemes to fruition.

**James Farrell**, from Brighton and Hove Building Green, will show us how community involvement can help green up our environment;

**Helmut Lusser**, Chairman Hove Civic Society, will explain some of the ideas that have been developed by the Society.

**Gill Mitchell**, Chair of the City Council's Environment, Transport and Sustainability Committee will reflect on the suggestions made and on how the Council and the Society can work together

Come along and help us sharpen our ideas for the work of the society for the years to come.

