## Accommodation & Getting About in Lewes on Bonfire Night 5 November 2019

Thank you for your enquiry to the Lewes Tourist Information Centre about Lewes Bonfire Night. Be aware that the event is not suitable for small children and can be noisy and very crowded; up to 50,000 extra people can come into the town. There are some earlier events that children might enjoy but most of the displays don't start until 9.30 - 10.00pm, finishing around 11.00pm sometimes later. **Do not bring dogs into the town**.

**Accommodation:** Please note that you are advised to find somewhere as soon as you can as accommodation often gets booked up early in the Year. If you wish to stay over in the town there are websites you can look at for accommodation, however note there are others who advertise independently and prices and amenities vary. You can try our website: as a starting point:

- > The Visit Lewes website may have some suggestions <a href="https://www.visitlewes.co.uk/accommodation">https://www.visitlewes.co.uk/accommodation</a>
- There is a Premier Inn in the town which may be already booked up for the Night. <u>http://www.premierinn.com/gb/en/hotels/england/east-sussex/lewes.html</u>. There is also one in Newhaven

There is a Youth Hostel in Southease which is a walk of about 4 miles to get back to at the end of the night. You would have to check with them about the latest you can get in. <u>http://www.yha.org.uk/hostel/south-downs</u>

**Travel around the town:** When you are at the Bonfire Celebrations you cannot drive into or out of the town after about 4.00pm and also there is no parking anywhere in the centre so it is advisable not to try and bring a car in. Buses do come in from Brighton see <u>www.buses.co.uk</u>. No trains will stop after about 5pm though, check the website <u>https://www.southernrailway.com/</u> for details.

Road closures will affect large parts of Lewes town on the day. Diversions will be in place for traffic to travel outside of the town. Residents are advised to get vehicles home before 4.30pm to avoid any road closures in place. We advise visitors not to bring vehicles into the town, but instead use public transport. Road closures from 16.45pm on 5 November 2019 are shown here:



Roads in Lewes will re-open at 2am or once Sussex Police deem it safe to do so and the cleaning of the town is complete by Lewes District Council waste crews.

**Purple Routes:** this road will be closed from 4:45pm to 2am. On-street parking is suspended from 12pm, vehicles risk being towed from 4pm.

**Blue Route:** this road will be closed from 4:45pm to 2am. On-street parking will be suspended from 12pm, vehicles risk being towed from 4pm.

**Black Route:** westbound traffic only from 4:45pm to 7pm. There will be no access to Lewes from A27 during this time. This road will be closed 4:30pm - 2am. On-street parking is suspended from 12pm, vehicles risk being towed from 4pm.

Orange Route: this road will be closed from 4:45pm to 2am. On-street parking in authorised bays is permitted.

**Green Route:** this road will be closed from 4:45pm to 2am. On-street parking will be suspended from 12 noon. Vehicles risk being towed away from 3pm