



East Sussex Advice Plus

**Justice For All - National Day of Action against the proposed cuts to Legal Aid.  
Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2011.**

The proposed cuts to the Legal Aid remit and budget will have a huge impact on both the legal profession and the third sector agencies providing LSC contracts in Hastings.

Justice for All is organising a National Day of Action on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2011 and the Advice Agencies (Hastings Advice and Representation Centre, Citizens Advice Eastbourne, Citizen Advice 1066 and the Brighton Housing Trust), each of whom currently hold a Social Welfare Law LSC contract, will be leading protests in Hastings and Eastbourne against these proposals, to highlight the impact such cuts will have locally.

Should the proposals be agreed, funding for advice in East Sussex will be halved at a time when services are under increasing pressure and demand, and residents will find themselves without access to Legal Aid at the very time when events in their lives, cuts to services or changes to the benefit system mean they are most in need of specialist advice.

The Hastings Advice Agencies will be leading a march against the cuts, setting off from **Hastings Pier at 12.30 pm on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June**. This will be followed by a discussion about the impacts of the proposals at the **Town Hall at 1.30pm**. Councillor Jay Kramer, Deputy Leader of Hastings Council, Amber Rudd, MP for Hastings, and Julie Eason, the Manager of the East Sussex Advice Partnership are confirmed to speak at the Town Hall, and will also take questions.

It would be appreciated if you could confirm attendance with [julie@esap.org.uk](mailto:julie@esap.org.uk), who will also provide you with further details should you require any.

The Eastbourne Advice Agencies will also be leading a march against the cuts, setting off at **1.30pm from outside of Debenhams, Terminus Road, Eastbourne** and **finishing at the Town Hall at 2.30pm**. Stephen Lloyd MP, who has raised his concerns in several parliamentary debates, will be joining this march and will stop to talk about the proposals at a stall outside Barclays Bank in the Town Centre. There also will be an opportunity to sign a petition against the cuts at the stall.

Please contact [trudy@esap.org.uk](mailto:trudy@esap.org.uk) for up to date details for the Eastbourne event.



