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- Reviewing and maintaining van stock inclusive of materials and PPE, and other ad hoc items, to facilitate safe and responsible performance.
- Recording all details of time attendance and materials used.
- Mentoring and training any apprentice's and labourers.
- Being responsible for holding keys for communal entrances and meter cupboards

A van and all PPE will be allocated, varying from masks, ear defenders, and knee pads

The working hours are 40 Hours a week 08:00-17:00 and once every four weeks the work pattern is adjusted to Monday, Tuesday, Thursday Friday 08:00-16:00, Wednesday 12:00-20:00 and Saturday 08:00-13:00.

You will need to have detailed knowledge of Health and safety legislation along with:

- Current and Valid Full & Clean UK driving license.
- Ability to competently operate MS office or another software on a PDA device.

For an informal discussion about the role please contact Daniel Bullard on 0300 042 4057 or Chris Robery 0300 042 4050

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SITUATIONS VACANT**IT Support Desk Officer**

**Salary from £25,413 to £27,693 pa depending on skills and experience
Permanent – Full time – 37 hours per week**

You will be providing 1st and 2nd line technical support for all customers assisting them with hardware, software and telecom issues either onsite or using remote assistance along with:

- Monitoring service desk calls for support and maintenance issues
- Liaise with 3rd party solution providers in the logging, monitoring and resolution of maintenance and support issues.
- Making decisions independently to implement fixes and solutions to resolve these issues at initial point of user contact.
- This post is to cover IT support over two sites at the Civic Centre in Ashford and at our Border
- Control facility in Sevington.
- You must be prepared to work a rota basis at any ABC site when required to do so, providing direct support to the user base and systems located at those sites.
- To be proficient in this role it is essential that you have worked in a desktop support type role and have working knowledge of the latest release of Microsoft Windows & Microsoft 365 products to recent release level

**For an informal discussion about the role please contact
John Ponsford, IT Support Manager on 01233 330862.**

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The following applications have been submitted for consideration by the Council:

24/0249/FH - The Palms, Holiday Let, 36 Bartholomew Street, Hythe, CT21 5BY - Widening an existing garage to facilitate easier access.

24/0256/FH - Flat , 155 - 157 High Street, Hythe, CT21 5JL - Replacement of timber and metal windows with UPVC double glazed units.

24/0317/FH - The Old Coach House, Church Close, New Romney, TN28 8AR - Removal of garage doors to be replaced with bay windows

24/0027/FH - 20-22 Rendezvous Street, Folkestone, CT20 1EZ - Sub-division of existing shop space into 6 smaller units including new entrances

Representations can be made in writing either on line on the Council's website, by email to planning@folkestone-hythe.gov.uk or in writing to the Chief Planning Officer, Folkestone & Hythe District Council, Civic Centre, Castle Hill Avenue, Folkestone, Kent, CT20 2QY. Please always quote the application reference number. Comments should be made in writing within 21 days from the date of publication. Please note that any representations received will be publically viewable on the Council's website.

The applications marked (*) do not accord with the provisions of the development plan in force in the area in which the land to which the application relates is situated.

Note: This is not a full list of applications received. All planning applications can be viewed and comments made online at <https://folkestonehythedc.force.com/pr/s/be-home>

Under the provisions of the General Data Protection Regulations 2018, from 25th May 2018 all comments on applications will be held for 3 years.

**Llywelyn Lloyd
Chief Planning Officer
Folkestone & Hythe District Council**

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Tom Derry, above, and Seid Sanogo, right, at the heart of the action for Folkestone against Canvey Island on Saturday

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Watt stepping into unknown

Hythe manager Steve Watt is having to contend with a period like never before.

The Cannons have six Isthmian South East matches in 13 days, including four inside a week!

Still chasing a play-off place, it's set to be an enormous test of their squad after they drew 1-1 with play-off chasing Three Bridges last weekend.

Watt said: "I know players and managers that have experienced it - but I have never experienced Saturday-to-Tuesday-to-Thursday-to-Saturday."

"We will have to manage the squad as best as we can. But certain players will have to bite down and get on with it!"

"Then, we get ready to keep playing until Tuesday when we will be able to get three days' rest before another game."

"The players know my targets. We all know what we want to achieve in the next few games."

"But it's certainly one (a spell) where we need to try and manage the squad, and call in a few favours if possible. The next couple of weeks, we have four games in seven days, then we go Saturday-to-Bank Holiday Monday."

"It's going to be a very tough couple of weeks for the players. But the character the players have shown this season to keep in the hunt for making the play-offs has been incredible."

Hythe, who were due to visit East Grinstead last night (Tuesday), host Beckenham tomorrow (Thursday), visit title-chasing Cray Valley on Saturday and then welcome play-off chasing Herne Bay to Reachfields on Tuesday.

Watt had mixed emotions on the draw with Three Bridges as player-coach Frannie Collin converted a late penalty, awarded for handball - a third appeal for a spot-kick due to handball in the game.

"We could have had three, we got one," he said. "The first one was on the goal-line. I felt it would have been very harsh if it was given against us. The second one, I felt should have been given."

"Although I'm disappointed we didn't get all three points, a draw maybe was a fair result."

Drury: We're safe now

By Thomas Reeves

Manager Andy Drury reckons Folkestone have secured their Isthmian Premier status.

Invicta claimed a second straight home win on Saturday, beating Canvey Island 1-0 through forward Tom Derry's goal.

It was a result which moved them to within a point of the 40-point mark and 14 points clear of the relegation zone, with nine games left to play.

Asked if he felt his team had secured safety, Drury replied: "I think so."

"Margate losing again (3-0 at Carshalton) probably sends us safe, really."

"But there's another group of four or five teams above us. We

need to chase them down and try to push as high up the table as we can."

A crowd of 490 were at Cheriton Road to see Derry head home shortly after the hour.

Drury reflected: "It was always important just to get the three points."

"That was the main thing for us and we have got back-to-back wins now."

"The game was scrappy in the first half - I thought both teams were very average - but I asked them to up the intensity and we got the goal in the second half. I think we deserved it."

"Once we got the goal, I don't think we were in any danger of losing the lead."

It was the sixth Folkestone goal for Derry since he arrived in December.

"Tom has done well since he

came in," noted Drury.

"What he offers in both boxes is massive. Tom got another goal on Saturday and has been a very good player for us."

Two new signings played for Invicta. Dual-registered Tonbridge winger Francis Mampolo started, while on-loan Horsham midfielder Tom Kavanagh came off the substitutes' bench.

Drury, who has allowed midfielder Ade Cole to depart, said: "Francis did okay. He's come in from Tonbridge. He got a bit tired in the second half."

"Tom Kavanagh came on and he just brought a bit of maturity to the team. He looks like he's going to be a good player for us for the next month or so."

"Dean Rance was outstanding. He was the best player on the park, he won virtually every

header and his leadership was massive."

"If we can keep some of these players next season, I think we will be right up there."

There was also only a second Invicta clean sheet since January 20 as defender Ian Gayle returned to the starting lineup.

Drury said: "Kai (McKenzie-Lyle, the goalkeeper) has made a couple of big saves over the last two games."

"Gayley came in and did well. Jason (Fregene) went to right-back and slotted in fine."

"On Saturday we looked fairly solid all over the pitch. It's just about 'Can we get the second and third goal?' and really end it."

"But since Christmas, we have been building. We're pretty much there, having com-

petition all over the park."

Invicta will aim to build on their last two performances as they hit the road.

They take on Cray Wanderers at Bromley's Hayes Lane this Sunday, having been due to travel to relegation-threatened Cheshunt last night (Tuesday).

Drury added: "It's nice to get back-to-back wins."

"We didn't play well against Kingstonian, really. We didn't do the basics right."

"But Saturday, we did the basics right. We won our battles and kept organised."

"That's the best we can do at home, where the pitch isn't great."

"The question I will be asking the players this week will be 'Can we turn that into three or four wins in a row?'"



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