

Rye Town Hall Ceremonies

- *Weddings*
- *Civil Partnerships*
- *Renewal of Vows*
- *Baby Namings*



Built in 1742, the elegant Georgian Town Hall in Rye is an ideal venue for your special day. Whether it be a wedding, civil partnership, baby naming ceremony or vow renewal. A unique and historic setting in the heart of Rye, the Town Hall is within walking distance, over the cobbled streets, to a number of local reception venues.

Rye Town Hall provides a stunning back drop for the perfect photograph to remember your day. As well as being close to a number of beautiful settings, including the Gun Garden, which offers a delightful photo opportunity with views stretching out to the sea.



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Arriving at the Town Hall,

you make your way up the steps and through the wrought-iron gates into the Buttermarket, the open area beneath the main Chamber. In days gone by this was used, as the name suggests, for the sale of butter and cheeses when the town market was held outside the Town Hall.



From here, you step through the ancient oak doors and upstairs to the Main Chamber. This is where the ceremonies take place, surrounded by oak panels

detailing in gold leaf the names of the past Mayors of Rye from 1289. Once used as a courtroom, with the splendid Royal Coat of Arms looking down on you, the Main Chamber can accommodate up to 50 people seated, or up to 70 people sitting using the ledges around the room. The maximum capacity is 90 guests (including some standing). For smaller, more intimate ceremonies, chairs can be placed around the marble fireplace with its tavern clock above, seating up to 26 people.

The Mayor's Parlour is also made available on the day for the registrar to talk to the couple privately before the ceremony. The layout of the Town Hall means this can be done without them seeing each other prior to the ceremony, if desired.



Make your day more unique...

In addition to this beautiful venue, Rye Town Council is pleased to offer you the services of the Town Crier. He will greet your guests on arrival and then escort the Bride to the Main Chamber. After the ceremony, when everyone is gathered outside, he will deliver the wedding 'cry', announcing your marriage to the town. If your reception is being held within the town, he can also lead you and your wedding party to the venue.



Prices

	2017/2018	2019
<i>To include the Main Chamber, Mayor's Parlour and the services of the Town Crier*</i>		
Monday - Friday	£325	£350
Saturday	£350	£375
Sunday and bank holidays	£375	£400

**The services of the Town Crier are optional, but no discount is made if declined.*

(For ceremonies over the Christmas / New Year period - Price on Application)

Rye Town Hall is available to hire for a variety or special ceremonies, including Weddings, Civil Partnerships, Vow Renewals and Baby Naming Ceremonies.

***Please contact us to arrange a viewing,
or to discuss your requirements.***

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Rye Town Hall is offered as a ceremony venue only. You will need to contact Hastings Registry Office to ensure their availability to conduct and register your marriage. Fees for the attendance of the Registrars are payable separately to the Registry Office. Please see the accompanying document 'Getting Married at Rye Town Hall' and 'ESCC Registrars Advice'. This contains all the information for contacting and booking the Registrar.

Due to the age of the building, there is limited disabled access to the Main Chamber and Mayor's Parlour. However, we can make available our Sherpa N908 Stair Climber. We would appreciate two weeks notice if you require this facility.

*You can view the Stair Climber in action at
www.youtube.com/watch?v=NvLaRShyNS8*

Rye Town Hall has been approved as a venue for the solemnisation of marriages in pursuance of Section 26 (1)(bb) of the Marriage Act 1949 and as a venue for Civil Partnerships in pursuance of section 6(3A)(a) of the Civil Partnership Act 2004.



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