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The Pantiles



Hotel du Vin

Royal Tunbridge Wells has been attracting visitors for over 400 years, ever since the chance discovery of the Chalybeate Spring by a young nobleman in 1606.

The town's reputation as the place to see and be seen amongst royalty and the aristocracy over the years makes the history of Royal Tunbridge Wells one of the most colourful in England. Businesses and enterprising people have followed ever since. In Georgian times, visitors from London and elsewhere flocked to 'The Wells' to try the purported health giving Chalybeate spring water. Coffee houses, lodgings, shops, taverns and gaming houses soon sprang up in one continuous line near the Spring, joined by a covered colonnaded walkway which later became known as the Pantiles. This pretty and wellknown colonnade is still to be seen today. Full of interesting boutiques and antiques shops, open-air cafés, bars and restaurants, the Pantiles attracts visitors from all over the UK and Europe.

## Located in the lovely county of Kent – the Garden of England

The borough of Tunbridge Wells is located in West Kent on the Kent and Sussex border and is one of the most successful, enterprising and prosperous locations of Kent. Its town centres including Royal Tunbridge Wells, Cranbrook, Paddock Wood and Hawkhurst, have been sought after areas for enterprise and business for over 50 years.

Lying 35 miles south of London, Royal Tunbridge Wells is easily accessible by both road and rail. The borough is just one hour from the capital by road, while the Channel Port of Dover can be reached in one hour fifteen minutes.

There are two main industrial estates which provide high quality modern business premises at affordable prices - High Brooms Industrial Estate and North Farm Industrial Estate. Both are ideally located for easy access to roads and railways. Paddock Wood has plenty of office and industrial premises which already hosts global storage and distribution companies.

Other settlements of the borough have a large number of small and medium sized businesses, including Cranbrook, Hawkhurst and Goudhurst. In addition, other rural areas and villages have superb quality business units that cater for a wide variety of business needs.

## A beautiful location to live, work and locate your business just outside London

Roval Tunbridge Wells is one of the most fashionable towns in the south of England, attracting shoppers, visitors and business people from across the South East. Its modern, stylish atmosphere has attracted a number of businesses to the town centre. Indeed, new office space is always available for businesses to relocate. The town centre is located within easy access to some of the most beautiful countryside in Britain known as 'The High Weald'. This attractive area is host to some lovely rural towns and villages with attractions for visitor and residents alike.