



**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY 18th JANUARY 2022 AT 8PM
At the Meadow Rooms
AGENDA**

1. Apologies for absence

2. Approval of Minutes from the Budget Meeting on 7th December 2021

3. Declarations of Interest

4. Matters arising from previous meeting of 9th November and 7th December

- **Youth Club** – Clerk to update
- **Public Toilets/Business Rates** – Clerk to update

5. KCC Matters

- **Flooding on Halfpence Lane** – Cllr Booth had meeting with Earl Bournier, KCC Highways responsible officer for Drains & Structures and Claire Inglis from the Woodland Trust to discuss drainage issues - It was agreed that KCC would try bunding the outflow from the pond.
- **Batts Road** – A large vehicle has damaged the verges and fencing

6. GBC Matters. Cllr Rice

- **New village car park** in West Park off Halfpence Lane – GBC have refused – Write a letter to Adam Holloway
- **Boundary Commission Review** – Cllr Dyer had sent a response.
- **Church Road Parking.** – CPC requested DYLB be extended on the North side of Church Road. Nick May had responded. Clerk to report

7. KALC/NALC – Cllr Dymond

- **Climate Change Conference**

8. PLANNING GROUP - Cllr Dyer

- Norbond Site – retrospective planning permission was refused by GBC
- White Post Farm – update from GBC
- Orchard Cottage and Bluebell Farm, Round Street – Pending - Update from GBC Planning
- 35 The Street – Pending consideration
- Telecoms Mast, Colewood Reservoir – Pending consideration
- 1 Gables Cottage, Round Street – Pending consideration
- Green Hedges, The Street – new planning application
- Rochester & Cobham Golf Club – new planning application

- 14 Scratton Fields – new planning application
- The Railway PH, Sole Street – new planning application
- 9 Manor Road – new planning application
- Long Reach, Sole Street – new planning application
- The Barn, Jeskyns Road – new planning application
- Neighbourhood Plan – Cllr Mason to update. Clerk had forwarded several plans

9. TRAFFIC GROUP – Cllr Mason

- **HIP** – Cllr Booth. Updated December.

Cllr Booth, Cllr Dyer, Cllr Mason, Cllr Rice & Cllr Sweetland met with Ian Grigor, Kent Highways Schemes Manager on the 9th December to discuss the Highways Improvement Plan.

Speeding Traffic – The Street, Round Street to Gold Street & Greenlands to railway bridge

Battle Street to Sole Street – Speeding/Traffic Calming

HGV Traffic – The Street. Currently “7.5 tonne except for access”

Sole Street – Round Street to Gold Street and Scrattons Field

War Memorial Roundabout

DYL / Parking Restrictions -The Street

Village Gateways Features – Halfpence Lane - New design to be approved – Cost £4,968

The Street – Traffic Calming Scheme. Work to commence mid-February. - Availability of replacement cobblestones on The Street – Clerk to report.

- **Speedwatch Group** – Tony Rice. Update
- **Speed Indicator Device** – Matt Mason. Batteries and software need changing.
- **Lower Thames Crossing** – Cllr Dyer. Update

10. VILLAGE CRIME GROUP – Cllr Dymond

- **Neighbourhood Watch**
- **PCSO Newsletter** – Cllr Dymond/Cllr Pryor. Update

11. PLAYING FIELDS

- **Children’s Corner Refurbishment** - Cllr Peterson-Pearce to Update
- **Electric Vehicle Charging Points** – Clerk to update

12. PUBLIC TOILETS

- **Future of public toilets**
- **Night Locking** – still outstanding
Quotes. Locum Locks £2054. / Blakes Security £3447.90
- **Water Leak in the Ladies** – Cllr Booth. Still outstanding – supply is currently switched off. Quote – D Bishop. £1985
- **LED Lighting** – Cllr Booth. Work has been completed by G E Electrical

14. St MARYS CHURCH ROOMS

- **Refurbishment.** - Clerk to update

15. SOCIAL MEDIA - Web Site & Facebook - Cllr Peterson-Pearce & Clerk to update

- **Stats of use of facebook & web site**

The Chairman would like us to employ an outside person or agency to look after our social media, including updating information on the web site

Parish Magazine

16. Other Village Matters

- **Village Sign** – Cllr Booth. Nothing to report
- **Meadow Rooms** – Cllr Gabbitas

- **Footpaths** – Cllr Dymond
- **Queen’s Platinum Jubilee** – Cllr Dymond/Cllr Gabbitas
- **Defibrillator** – Training evening 26th January - Clerk
Cobham College defibrillator – RD & Clerk to update
- **Assets of Community Value** – The Little Shop at Sole Street and the Darnley Arms
PH need to be registered.
- **Bus Stop** – Clerk to chase KCC for response.

17. Parishioners Comments

Meeting continues in Private

18. Correspondence & Announcements

19. Finance

- Cheque reports
- Clerk’s pension – back payments to 1st April 2021. Clerk to update
- Grant applications

21. AOB – items from Councillors

22. Next Meeting – 7.30pm on Tuesday 8th February at the Meadow Rooms Committee Room