

AYLESFORD PARISH COUNCIL
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
COMMITTEE

TUESDAY 28 OCTOBER 2014
Parish Office – 7.30pm

AGENDA

1. Declarations of Interest

2. Apologies for absence

A. FOOTWAYS/HIGHWAYS/LIGHTING MATTERS

1. General Highway Report

2. Eccles Highway Matters

3. Blue Bell Hill Highway Matters

3.1 – Milestone – Awaiting removal and resiting of stone by KCC, following which local stonemason will provide Parish Council with a quote to refurbish.

4. Aylesford Highway Matters

4.1 - **Old Bridge Lighting Project** - Response on proposals awaited from English Heritage.

4.2 – **Flooding: Opposite Brassey Centre** - Work awaited

4.3 –**Rochester Road** speed humps to be re-profiled by Kent Highways. Work to be programmed and will require the road to be closed. Date awaited.

4.4 - **Aylesford Village Square** – Progress report on Village Square joint improvement project between Parish Council, KCC and TMBC.

5. Walderslade Highway Matters

6. Public Footpaths

6.1 - Definitive Map Modification Orders for **Creation of Bridleways in Parishes of Aylesford and Burham**. Parish Council's objections to the proposals confirmed to KCC.

6.2 – Proposal to upgrade public footpath **MR52 to a bridleway**. KCC have requested the Council's views on the proposal to upgrade this footpath to a bridleway – Clerk to report at meeting.

7. Lighting

7.1 – **Bull Lane** – Completion of upgrade project has commenced. Lights will then be formally adopted by Kent Highways.

7.2 – **Teapot Lane** – Formal request for transfer of these upgraded lights to KCC has been sent to UKpowernetworks.

7.3 – Parish lights **faults**:

Forstal Road/High Street/Rochester Road roundabout – Quote requested for replacement column knocked down some months ago. Investigating cause.

8. Car Parks

Aylesford TMBC Parking Review – TMBC have been written to re the additional car park spaces scheme. Response awaited.

9. Any Other Business/Correspondence

B. RECREATION AND AMENITIES MATTERS

1. All Sites – Annual play equipment inspection has taken place. Minor works by Wicksted across all sites total approximately £3300 and have been ordered. Other painting works etc to be undertaken in house.

2. The Hollow - Information sign received. Exact siting to be agreed.

3. Ferryfield

Play equipment surface repairs completed.

4. Forstal Road Recreation Ground

4.1 - **Redundant Tennis Court** – Clerk will update Members at the meeting.

4.2 - **Entrance Wall Damage** - Still awaiting response/reimbursement from refuse collection company. Clerk to pursue.

5. Allotments

6. Eccles Recreation Ground

6.1 - **Skateboard park replacement** – Clerk investigating funding opportunities and how the Council would proceed with a design and build tender, before reporting back to Committee in detail in due course.

7. Tunbury Recreation Ground, Changing Rooms and Car Park

7.1 – Path improvement including flattening out depression where new path meets existing road – awaiting commencement date.

7.2 – Awaiting inspection report on puddling on the bottom of the contour slide. This was not specifically referred to in the report. Clerk raised this with the Inspector and will continue to monitor but at this stage no action.

8. Blue Bell Hill Recreation Ground

9. Blue Bell Hill Pond

10. Cemetery

11. Churchyard

12. Old Bridge Gardens

13. Mill Hall (Beside Rose Cottage/Old Bridge)

14. Yoakley Land

Life buoy has not been reinstated as area continues to be flooded. Exact siting to be reconsidered.

Work on a long term plan and strategy for the area as a whole being considered by the Clerk for further discussion with Members at a future meeting.

15. Walderslade Open Spaces

16. St Marks Square, Car Park and Surrounds

17. Podkin Meadow

Barrier – Installation complete

18. Christmas Lighting

18.1 - Eccles Tree –New lights required for 2014 - £240 – received.

18.2 – Additional Christmas lighting for Blue Bell Hill trees – £3530 – ordered.

Grant application towards Christmas lighting costs made to TMBC - £1000.

18.3 – One additional lamp column unit and lights for a tree in the centre of the village to be ordered for Aylesford as part of village improvement scheme funded from TMBC grant.

19. Any Other ESC Business/Correspondence

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