

AYLESFORD PARISH COUNCIL
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
COMMITTEE
TUESDAY 22 NOVEMBER 2016
PARISH OFFICE – 7.30PM

AGENDA

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1. Apologies

2. Declarations of Interests

A. FOOTWAYS/HIGHWAYS/LIGHTING MATTERS

1. General Highway Report

2. Eccles Highway Matters

2.1 - Bull Lane/Pilgrims Way junction.

Kent Highways have agreed to do a traffic survey and feasibility study in the New Year.

Local Bull Lane Safety Group continues to keep up the pressure on Kent Highways for improvements to this junction. Public meeting arranged for 19 January 2017 at Eccles Primary School starting at 7pm.

3. Blue Bell Hill Highway Matters

3.1 - Planters – Ready. ‘Supplied by Aylesford Parish Council’ signs ready. Application and fee to Kent Highways made for installation on central reservation. Response awaited.

4. Aylesford Highway Matters

4.1 - Old Bridge Lighting Project – Clerk to report on effectiveness of new lights.

4.2 - **Aylesford Village Square** - Awaiting revised plans from Amey following the consultation with residents – ie. retaining/replacing trees, renovation of benches.

4.3 – **A20 congestion between Larkfield and Aylesford**

A20/Hermitage Lane – Kent Highways have agreed with the developers a number of improvements to the traffic light sequence in a bid to relieve traffic congestion. Kent Highways have also agreed to widen part of the junction, this work to be undertaken as part of the developers snagging list but will be at Kent Highways expense.

4.4 – **Hall Road Motorway Bridge Broken Fencing and Litter** - Tracey Crouch MP has now taken this matter up with Highways England. Response awaited.

4.5 – **Rochester Road Water** – Second leak from Tottingham Farm pond overflow where the pipe appears to be blocked has been reported to Kent Highways as a potential hazard.

5. **Walderslade Highway Matters**

6. **Public Footpaths**

6.1 - **River Medway Towpath MR 473** – Work has commenced on this project for completion by the end of March. Compound has been set up on Yoakley paddock (adjacent to allotments on Forstal Road).

7. **Street Lighting**

7.1 - Old Bridge Gardens lights painting will be done in house.

7.2 – Clerk to report on position re Street Lighting contract.

8. **Car Parks.**

9. **Any Other Business/Correspondence**

9.1 – KCC Local Transport Plan consultation – Response submitted to KCC.

B. RECREATION AND AMENITIES MATTERS

1. All Sites

1.1 - Local **history signs** – Clerk will be looking at this following on from the Aylesford Village Square enhancement project.

1.2 - **Annual Play Equipment Inspection** - Inspection has taken place. Some issues raised (see 3.3 and 7.2 below). Full report awaited.

2. The Hollow

3. Ferryfield

3.1 - Rugby Club – overflow car parking for festivals –26 March and 23 April 2017.

3.2 - Dog Show 13 – 14 May 2017.

3.3 – Long term future of wooden multi-play equipment – Wicksteed and Playdale units. Clerk to report to Committee following consideration of Inspector’s report which has not yet been received.

4. Forstal Road Recreation Ground

Clerk has contacted the Kent Petanque Association and requested information regarding the potential installation of a petanque pitch. Response still awaited.

5. Allotments

6. Eccles Recreation Ground

Renovation works to clock memorial completed. Electrical supply for PA systems for events such as Remembrance Sunday and Christmas being investigated.

7. Tunbury Recreation Ground, Changing Rooms and Car Park

7.1 – Winter tree maintenance work to be undertaken including tree overhanging garden of 83 Woodbury Road.

7.2 – Rocking Hedgehog – Vandalised and removed. Awaiting repair report as part of Annual Inspection.

8. Blue Bell Hill Recreation Ground

9. Blue Bell Hill Pond Site

10. Cemetery

The future. Clerk's report attached at **Appendix A** for consideration.

11. Churchyard

12. Old Bridge Gardens

12.1 - Rat baiting programme – Awaiting report from contractor as to whether The Hengist will enter into a joint programme of baiting with the Parish Council.

Removal of old grass cuttings pile to be arranged as it has been identified as a potential rat site following clearance from the Contractor.

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

14. Yoakley Land

15. Walderslade Open Spaces

16. St Marks Square, Belgrave Street car park, New car park

17. Podkin Meadow

Clerk to report to meeting following his meeting with contractor on proposed work

18. Any Other ESC Business/Correspondence