

**AYLESFORD PARISH COUNCIL
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
COMMITTEE**

TUESDAY 23 JANUARY 2018

AGENDA

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1. Apologies

2. Declarations of Interests

3. Presentation by South East Water on Water Resources Management Plan

A. FOOTWAYS/HIGHWAYS/LIGHTING MATTERS

1. General Highway Report

2. Eccles Highway Matters

2.1 - Bull Lane/Pilgrims Way junction

3. Blue Bell Hill Highway Matters

3.1 – Slow sign on slip road off the A229 towards Aylesford currently situated under the bridge. Clerk has asked that Kent Highways move the sign to the actual slip road before the Lower Warren Road junction to improve safety at this junction as well as the junctions under the bridge. Response awaited.

3.2 - Lighting repairs still awaited on the slip road which were scheduled for August. KCC have reported they are still awaiting delivery of new columns. Initial reply received and Clerk will report at the meeting but revised date being sought.

4. Aylesford Highway Matters

4.1 - **Aylesford Village Square** - Awaiting conservation agreement to the proposed revised materials which will then allow the whole scheme to be re-priced.

4.2 – Aylesford Village/Forstal Road junction

Site meeting held with Kent Highways re proposed improvements to this junction to include safer pedestrian access and improved signage. KH took on board comments from local members. Awaiting report.

4.3 – A20/Homebase Flooding – Awaiting formal notification that pumping station is to be installed on Crown Estates Land (retail site).

4.4 – Somerfield Site, Vehicle Cleaning – Awaiting response from TMBC Planning re muddy condition of Hall and Stations Roads.

5. Walderslade Highway Matters

5.1 – Tunbury Avenue - Local Members have noted that ‘speed/traffic counting’ wires have been installed in the Medway section of Tunbury Avenue. Clerk awaiting reply from Medway and KCC.

6. Public Footpaths

7. Street Lighting

8. Car Parks

Off street parking fees and charges in TMBC car parks – Blue Bell Hill

9. Any Other Business/Correspondence

B. RECREATION AND AMENITIES MATTERS

1. All Sites

1.1 - 2018 Grass Maintenance Contracts/In house – Clerk has awarded contracts as detailed in the ESC minutes of 12 December 2017.

1.2 – Play Equipment Inspection – Following the annual play equipment inspection the Clerk proposes to prepare a play equipment enhancement programme for all sites with various options and funding implications for an ESC meeting in the New Year. Minor repairs and enhancement works to be carried out in-house have commenced.

2. 2018/19 Charges for Use of Parish Council Land for Sport and Non Sport Use

2017/18 charges attached for information

Proposed 2018/19 charges – Approx 5% increase. Exact figures to be distributed at the meeting.

2. The Hollow

3. Ferryfield

3.1 - Rugby Club car parking on Ferryfield – 31 March 2018 8.00am to 3.00pm. Already agreed.

3.2 –North West Kent Dog Training Club event – 20 – 22 July 2018 – Already agreed.

3.3 – Bench renovation (sited near the football container) to be undertaken in house during the winter.

3.4 – Tree maintenance work taking place.

4. Forstal Road Recreation Ground

4.1 – Scout Fun Day – 15 July 2018. Date already agreed. Decision required on whether charges should be applied.

5. Allotments

Charges for 2019/20 based on new sizing arrangements. Attached as previously proposed. 2018/19 charges already agreed and notified to plot holders.

6. Eccles Recreation Ground

7. Tunbury Recreation Ground, Changing Rooms and Car Park

Rotabounce Play Equipment – Repair completed.

8. Blue Bell Hill Recreation Ground

9. Blue Bell Hill Pond Site

10. Cemetery

10.1 - Long term future **extension**. This item will appear on the ESC agenda each month for progress report from the Clerk as appropriate. Clerk is also working on proposals to change the regulations particularly in respect of pre-purchase and out of parish charges. Report to be made to ESC in February.

10.2 – Charges for 2018/19

Proposed charges for 2018/19 will be reported in February.

11. Churchyard

12. Old Bridge Gardens

12.1 – Bench renovation to be undertaken in house during the winter.

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

Work to resolve minor flooding issue (£1095) and pothole repairs (£480) ordered. Work completed.

17. Podkin Meadow

Long term project continuing and wild flower and grass seed sowing will now take place in the Spring.

18. Christmas Lighting

Christmas lights being taken down.

19. Any Other ESC Business/Correspondence