

**AYLESFORD PARISH COUNCIL**  
**ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**  
**COMMITTEE**

**TUESDAY 23 JUNE 2015**  
**7.30PM – PARISH OFFICE**

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**1. Apologies**

**2. Declarations of Interests**

**A. FOOTWAYS/HIGHWAYS/LIGHTING MATTERS**

**1. General Highway Report**

**2. Eccles Highway Matters**

Pedestrian crossing in Bull Lane

**3. Blue Bell Hill Highway Matters**

Milestone – Stonemason now has stone and will carry out work as soon as workload allows.

**4. Aylesford Highway Matters**

**4.1 - Old Bridge Lighting Project**

Clerk is investigating alternative lighting schemes.

4.2 – Flooding: Opposite Brassey Centre - Work awaited. Clerk has pursued this with Kent Highways due to the length of time this work has been outstanding. Drain has been cleaned which has led to some improvement but major work required is not prioritised.

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. Clerk has pursued. Awaiting detailed response.

#### 4.4 - Aylesford Village Square

1. Initial design received. Comments made at P&R have been reported back to designer. Clerk opening discussions with TMBC Conservation Officer

2. BT broadband box in Square – Resited satisfactorily. Works re cabling still outstanding at present. Should be completed by date of meeting.

4.5 – A20 between Larkfield and Aylesford – Joint initiative between Ditton, E Malling & Larkfield and Aylesford Parish Councils re traffic flow problem agreed to request a meeting TMBC. TMBC have agreed to this once they have discussed the matter further with Kent Highways.

### **5. Walderslade Highway Matters**

#### **6. Public Footpaths**

Walderslade – Path beside 27 Sheraton Way.

Members have stated that as the path has been a recognised, regularly used and tarmaced access path to MR441, the Parish Council should seek to get it officially classified as a PROW. Clerk's report on enquiries with PROW to the meeting.

#### **7. Lighting**

Bull Lane – Upgrade project to allow lights to be adopted by Kent Highways. Awaiting confirmation of completion.

KCC Safe and Sensible Lighting Policy – Response to Clerk's letter to Kent Highways re future policy in particular relating to Walsham Road as per resident's presentation to Council on 19 May. KCC will commence works in 2016 and it is anticipated that these works should last 15 months. There is currently no identification of which roads will be done first other than residential areas will be completed first.

#### **8. Car Parks**

TMBC Aylesford Bridge car park - Clerk's report attached at **Appendix A**

AVCC/AFC/Parish Council car park – Clerk will report on discussions with AVCC and Football Club on the Forstal Road recreation ground car park

#### **9. Any Other Business/Correspondence**

## **B. RECREATION AND AMENITIES MATTERS**

### **1. All Sites**

Local history signs – Clerk looking at methods of updating historical content of original signs before contacting potential suppliers..

### **2. The Hollow**

Surfacing repair under swings required before it gets any worse. Initial quote received from Wicksteed - £1000 but surface has deteriorated further and cost has increased to £1450. Clerk has authorised work to take place immediately and is in hand.

Repairs required to the contour slide steps. One requires complete replacement and others are in a poor condition. Awaiting quotes.

### **3. Ferryfield**

In house repair has been carried out to pedestrian gate wall beside main gates.

### **4. Forstal Road Recreation Ground**

Redundant tennis courts - Project nearly completed. Delay on delivery of galvanised equipment – goals/nets etc.

Football Club Tournament – 5/6 September 2015.

### **5. Allotments**

Aylesford new numbers still to be installed

### **6. Eccles Recreation Ground**

Skateboard park replacement – Bench and plaque awaiting installation.

### **7. Tunbury Recreation Ground, Changing Rooms and Car Park**

Gap in fence between recreation ground and the school has been repaired by the school.

### **8. Blue Bell Hill Recreation Ground**

### **9. Blue Bell Hill Pond Site**

**10. Cemetery**

**11. Churchyard** - No report to this meeting.

**12. Old Bridge Gardens**

Pet Service - 12 July 2015

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

**14. Yoakley Land**

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**

Bollards – Clerk pursuing the issue of bollards with Kent PROW.

**16. St Marks Square, Car Park and Surrounds**

**17. Podkin Meadow**

**18. Christmas Lighting**

Following the site meeting with Gala Lights the following proposals are in hand for Aylesford, Blue Bell Hill and Walderslade.

Aylesford

Additional decoration on the lamppost in Forstal Road £485 – ordered.

Blue Bell Hill

Church have welcomed the installation of lights for the tree within their boundary £3875 – ordered.

Walderslade

Lighting of tree at the junction of Tunbury Avenue and Catkin Close £1955 – ordered.

**19. Any Other ESC Business/Correspondence**