

AYLESFORD PARISH COUNCIL
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
COMMITTEE

TUESDAY 24 MARCH 2015
AGENDA

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1. Apologies

2. Declarations of Interests

A. FOOTWAYS/HIGHWAYS/LIGHTING MATTERS

1. General Highway Report

2. Eccles Highway Matters

Forthcoming roadworks/road closures:

Hale House – Pilgrims Way – Rochester Road – Closure at night from 7 April to 17 May. Diversion through Aylesford Village. Clerk will discuss tanker movements with Southern Water.

Pilgrims Way – Rochester Road – Lower Bell – Three way traffic signalling from 30 March to 17 May.

3. Blue Bell Hill Highway Matters

3.1 - Milestone – Delay in KCC removing stone and delivering to stonemason.

3.2 – HGV Parking Restrictions on Maidstone bound Old Chatham Road – possible repercussions within the Parish.

4. Aylesford Highway Matters

4.1 - Old Bridge Lighting Project – Clerk to report on response on proposals 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 – Notification received that Rochester Road between Pratling Street and Unwin Close will be closed for one day on 22 March (date was postponed).

4.5 - Aylesford Village Square

1. Clerk's report on design site meeting held on 11 March.
2. BT broadband box in Square – BT have now agreed to resite. Exact position awaited.
3. Litter bin requested from TMBC

4.6 – A20 between Larkfield and Aylesford – Joint initiative between Ditton, E Malling & Larkfield and Aylesford Parish Councils re traffic flow problems. Further meeting arranged.

4.7 – Bench repair – A20/Teapot Lane junction. Completed in house.

4.8 – Parking restriction request from local company in St Michaels Close

4.9 – Request for a vehicle activated speed sign for centre of Aylesford village

5. Walderslade Highway Matters

Concerns about rubbish from a private extension project in Sheraton Court remains on the grass verge. Being monitored

6. Public Footpaths

7. Lighting

7.1 - Bull Lane – Upgrade project to allow lights to be adopted by Kent Highways is virtually complete. Certification costing £554 required and authorised by the Clerk.

7.2 – Outside 74 High Street, Aylesford – On-going problem with this light. May require complete replacement.

8. Car Parks

Expansion of TMBC Aylesford Bridge car park – Clerk's report on response from TMBC re caveat on future parking charges.

9. Any Other Business/Correspondence

B. RECREATION AND AMENITIES MATTERS

1. All Sites

Local history signs – Clerk to make contact with potential suppliers and to look at updating historical content of original signs.

Contract and in house grass maintenance programme has commenced.

2. The Hollow

3. Ferryfield

3.1 - Information sign installed.

4. Forstal Road Recreation Ground

4.1 – Redundant tennis courts - Clerk report on progress since awarding contract to Kent Turf Care.

4.2 – Information sign installed.

5. Allotments

New numbering signs installed at Eccles. Aylesford to be done in the next few days.

Rent demands for 2015/16 will go out at the end of March.

6. Eccles Recreation Ground

6.1 - Skateboard park replacement – Clerk report on progress since contract was awarded to Urban Ramps.

6.2 – Information sign installed.

7. Tunbury Recreation Ground, Changing Rooms and Car Park

Information sign installed.

8. Blue Bell Hill Recreation Ground

9. Blue Bell Hill Pond Site

10. Cemetery

11. Churchyard

12. Old Bridge Gardens

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

Local members have requested the installation of bollards at two entrances to the woodlands – Tunbury Avenue entrance – locking bollard required
Walderslade Road/Impton Lane entrance – solid concrete bollard required.

Clerk to research and price.

16. St Marks Square, Car Park and Surrounds

17. Podkin Meadow

18. Christmas Lighting

Additional Christmas lighting in Blue Bell Hill, Walderslade and Aylesford for 2015. Site meeting arranged with supplier and local members – 1 April.

19. Any Other ESC Business/Correspondence