

AYLESFORD PARISH COUNCIL
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
COMMITTEE

TUESDAY 25 APRIL 2017
7.30pm – Parish Office

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 feasibility study produced and meeting with KCC and Bull Lane Safety Group being held on 20 April. Clerk to report.

3. Blue Bell Hill Highway Matters

3.1 - Planters – In house installation completed.

3.2 – Slip Road – Lighting is still out. Report from Kent Highways received stating that repairs will not be undertaken until August when a road closure is scheduled for the area.

4. Aylesford Highway Matters

4.1 - Aylesford Village Square - Awaiting revised plans from Amey following the consultation with residents. Personnel dealing with this project at Amey have changed but the Clerk is in touch with them to pursue action. They have apologised for the delay and hope to have designs to us within the next few weeks.

4.2 – A20 congestion between Larkfield and Aylesford

A20/Hermitage Lane - Clerk to report on the Joint Parish meeting with representatives of KCC, TMBC, Aylesford, Ditton and East Malling & Larkfield Parish Council representative held on 20 April.

4.3 – Hall Road Motorway Bridge Broken Fencing and Litter – Highways England have promised Tracey Crouch MP that fence repairs and litter clearance will take place in April. However no progress to date.

5. Walderslade Highway Matters

6. Public Footpaths

6.1 - River Medway Towpath MR 473 – Work is progressing on this project although slightly behind schedule. Due for completion by the end of April.

7. Street Lighting

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

7.2 – Streetlights maintenance contract. Revised price has been received and Clerk has gone back with further questions for which a response is awaited.

8. Car Parks

9. Any Other Business/Correspondence

9.1 – Southern Rail Franchise Consultation Document

Consultation period ends 23 May 2017. Clerk to report on his review of the document and whether there are any aspects which particularly affect Aylesford parish.

9.2 – HGVs in Blue Bell Hill Village

Resident's detailed report of recent HGV activity in the village, was forwarded to Kent Highways with a repeated request for improved signage and Sat Nav updates. Response received that a 'No HGV pictorial sign' will be installed at the entrance to the village.

9.3 – Proposed 20mph Speed Limit in Eccles

The Clerk will report to the committee on a proposal from KCC re the possible introduction of a 20mph speed limit on a number of the side roads in Eccles.

9.4 – Highways Stopping Up Order on land at 222/224 Bull Lane, Eccles

The Clerk to report on a consultation from the KCC on the Stopping Up of Highway to the front of 222/224 Bull Lane, Eccles. Plan to be tabled or available in the Parish Office.

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 - **2018 Grass Maintenance Contracts/In house** – This item to remain on agenda as an ad memoire until Clerk is ready to make his report to a future meeting on additional work to be carried out in-house and equipment required.

2. The Hollow

3. Ferryfield

3.1 - Rugby Club – overflow car parking for festival 23 April 2017. Already agreed.

3.2 - Dog Show 13 – 14 May 2017. Already agreed

3.3 – Charity Rugby Event 5 – 7 May 2017. Event cancelled

3.4 – Circus visit – 24 April for 3 nights. Already agreed.

3.5 – Culverstone Dog Show Club – 21 (set up), 22 and 23 July. Already agreed.

3.6 – Upgrade of multi-play equipment – Clerk to report back to Committee on progress in due course.

3.7 – Height barrier replacement – quotation received £835

4. Forstal Road Recreation Ground

4.1 – Aylesford Scout Group 16 July Fun Day Fund Raising event. Already agreed.

5. Allotments

Pricing for 2019/20. Clerk to report to future meeting.

6. Eccles Recreation Ground

7. Tunbury Recreation Ground, Changing Rooms and Car Park

8. Blue Bell Hill Recreation Ground

9. Blue Bell Hill Pond Site

10. Cemetery

Long term future extension. This item will appear on the ESC agenda each month for progress report from the Clerk as appropriate.

11. Churchyard

12. Old Bridge Gardens

12.1 - Request to use OBG for Big Lunch on Sunday 18 June. Already agreed.

12.2 – Request to use OBG for cake sale in aid of Aylesford Scout Group – 27 April - 3 – 5pm. Already agreed.

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

Minor repair to tarmac access road being investigated in order to prevent water accessing neighbouring property. Initial specification and quotation of £7200 considered to be excessive. Clerk still discussing with contractor a more basic solution.

17. Podkin Meadow

On-going project, work well received so far.

18. Any Other ESC Business/Correspondence