

AYLESFORD PARISH COUNCIL
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
COMMITTEE
TUESDAY 13 DECEMBER 2016
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 – Authority to site received from Kent Highways. To be installed in-house in the New Year.

4. Aylesford Highway Matters

4.1 - Aylesford Village Square - Awaiting revised plans from Amey following the consultation with residents.

4.2 – 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.

Meeting arranged for 12 January 2017 with TMBC, KCC, Aylesford, Ditton and Larkfield Parish Councils to include traffic matters. Pre Parish Councils meeting to be arranged by Ditton.

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

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 – Blue Bell Hill Slip road towards Rochester Road – All lights still out. Reported again to Kent Highways.

7.3 – Tunbury Hall Car Park – One column requires complete replacement - £850 already agreed. Whilst on site contractor will upgrade this and other columns to LED. Order placed.

7.4 – Streetlights maintenance contract. Clerk to report.

8. Car Parks.

9. Any Other Business/Correspondence

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** - Received. Summary will be tabled at the meeting.

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 - Full replacement project proposal from Playdale to be received in the New Year and other ideas and prices to be sought from other companies.

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

Aylesford allotments – Water leak report.

6. Eccles Recreation Ground

6.1 – Memorial clock. Reinstatement of lettering. Clerk to report.

6.2 – New Electrical connection at the memorial clock for PA systems for events such as Remembrance Sunday and Christmas has been installed.

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 – Quote to repair - £500 – included in inspection report.

8. Blue Bell Hill Recreation Ground

9. Blue Bell Hill Pond Site

In house tidying and new planting is in hand. Resident still raising issues regarding fence responsibility.

10. Cemetery

10.1 - **New Regulations** are now being circulated to all interested parties as agreed at the last ESC meeting.

10.2 - Clarification regarding qualification as to **In and Out of Parish** (single or treble fees) required. Clerk to report to meeting.

10.3 – **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 - Rat baiting programme – 12 month contract now in place and service reports being received.

12.2 – Quote received from removal of old grass cuttings deemed to be a rat environment - £690.

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.

17. Podkin Meadow

Clerk to report on clearance work which has commenced.

18. Any Other ESC Business/Correspondence