

**AYLESFORD PARISH COUNCIL**  
**ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**  
**COMMITTEE**  
**TUESDAY 28 FEBRUARY 2017**  
**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 undertaken a feasibility study and schemes being developed arising from the study should be available shortly.

**3. Blue Bell Hill Highway Matters**

**3.1 - Planters** – In house installation awaited.

**3.2 – Slip Road** – Is lighting still out? County Cllr Homewood agreed at Council meeting in January to take this up with Kent Highways.

**4. Aylesford Highway Matters**

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

**4.2 – A20 congestion between Larkfield and Aylesford**

**A20/Hermitage Lane**

The Plan for the works on Hermitage Lane should be with KCC in February and those plans together with any plans for the Quick Win schemes on the A20 which would also be with

KCC at the same time, will be made available to the parishes. The plans for these have just arrived at the Council and the Clerk will report at the meeting.

Next KCC/TMBC/Parishes update meeting to be held in March/April.

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

4.4 – **Rochester Road Water** – Any update on the second leak from Tottingham Farm pond overflow where the pipe appears to be blocked. Reported to Kent Highways and Southern Water as a potential hazard in icy conditions.

4.5 – **Hall Road Zebra Crossing** – Nearest A20 – Have ‘halos’ been fitted.

Both Hall Road crossings have one beacon each not working. Reported to Highways.

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

### **6. Public Footpaths**

6.1 - **River Medway Towpath MR 473** – Work is progressing on this project due for completion by the end of March. BAM Compound set up on Yoakley paddock (adjacent to allotments on Forstal Road) using water supply from the allotments and will be contributing to costs.

### **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. Clerk will update at the meeting.

### **8. Car Parks**

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

#### **9.1 – KCC Freight Action Plan – Consultation**

This document was circulated to Members on 1 February to give an opportunity to read this document before this meeting so that the Council was in a position to comment by the deadline of 12 March. The Action Plan highlights five key actions which are

- To tackle the problem of overnight lorry parking in Kent
- To find a long term solution to Operation Stack
- To effectively manage the routing of HGV traffic to ensure that such movements remain on the strategic road network for as much of its journey as possible
- To take steps to address the problems caused by freight traffic to communities
- To ensure that KCC continues to make effective use of planning and development control powers to reduce the impact of freight traffic

The document also highlights what needs to be done to implement the solutions to these problems.

Members need to consider if they wish to make a response and if so minded could make a response such as the following:-

“The Council supports this document and agrees with the five key action areas and are keen to see the County Council take the necessary steps to ensure the successful implementation of their Action Plan.”

## **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** – Contour slide steps. Handrail quotation of £585 received.

### **3. Ferryfield**

3.1 - Rugby Club – overflow car parking for festivals 26 March and 23 April 2017 – already agreed.

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

3.3 – Application for use weekend use 5 – 7 May 2017 for rugby event. Clerk to report.

3.4 – Long term future of Wicksteeds Logworld multi-play equipment – Initial full replacement project proposal from Playdale received. Other ideas and prices still being sought from other companies in conjunction with awaiting final decision on RBLI scheme so items are not duplicated.

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

4.1 – Aylesford Scout Group have requested use of Forstal Road recreation ground on 16 July for a Fun Day Fund Raising event. **Agreed** free of charge subject to the normal conditions of use. Clerk to update if any further information received.

5. **Allotments** 5.1 - Aylesford allotments – Water leak update report.

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

Memorial clock. Stonemason looking at work involved to reinstate lettering and to provide a quote. Clerk to report.

**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.

Clerk has meet with Clerk of Hadlow PC on 22 February who are currently going through the process of expanding their cemetery.

**11. Churchyard**

**12. Old Bridge Gardens**

12.1 - Rat baiting programme – Latest update.

12.2 – Removal of old grass cuttings deemed to be a rat environment - £690. Work completed.

**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 met on site with the contractors and they are preparing a revised quotation.

**17. Podkin Meadow**

Clearance work has commenced and has been well received so far. On-going project.

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

18.1 – TMBC Proposal for Public Spaces Protection Order.

TMBC have consulted the Council on the above a copy of which is attached. The order is about controlling and restricting anti-social behaviour or potential anti-social behaviour in public spaces. Members may feel that this is a measure that it can support.