

SEAL PARISH COUNCIL

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You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the SEAL PARISH COUNCIL which will be held on THURSDAY 10th February 2022 in Seal Pavilion on Seal Recreation Ground beginning at 7.30pm to transact the business shown on the agenda below.

There will follow 10 minutes parishioner's question time.

- 1 Apologies:
- 2 The minutes of the last meeting to be agreed and signed.
- 3 Declarations of Interest
- 4 Clerk's report
- 5 KCC Matters – Councillor Gough's report – See Appendix for ongoing matters

Updates on -

- Reduction on A25 speed limit
- Childsbridge Lane Railway Bridge – update following receipt of Network Rail letter
- Childsbridge Lane - speed signs, glasdon gates
- Reducing speed limits along country lanes – information/contact details
- Bitchet Green Area, there is an area of hard standing off Rooks Hill at the Bitchet Green end which is currently barriered off, could be used for extra parking for the Cricket Ground.
- Ashplatt Footpath is covered with leaf mulch and is treacherous - Councillor Gough to follow up.

6 Other Matters Requiring Discussion and Action

6.1 Highway Improvement Plan

To discuss and agree the HIP circulated to Councillors.

LEAD: CH

6.2 Parish Plan

The Parish Council to agree and update the parish plan.

LEAD: FW

6.3 Seal Village Memorial Tree

An update from Mr Tavaré

LEAD: CT

6.4 Welcome Back Fund Grant update

The clerk is awaiting a quote to remove a bench at St Lawrence Ground. Benches at Romshed Farm waiting to go up.

LEAD: Clerk

6.5 Bench project

A quote was received to assemble and install 11 benches around Seal Village, including the wooden bench. A quotation has been received cost estimated at roughly £160.00 per seat to assemble, erect, plus materials concrete, fixing bolts and cost of disposal. The Parish Council is awaiting a further quote on slabs to go under the benches where it may wear easily. No further update.

LEAD: Clerk

6.6 Councillor Vacancy

The Parish Council is actively seeking new Councillors. If you would like to become a Parish Councillor or are interested in our work, please contact the Clerk on 01732 833360 or sealparishc@outlook.com.

6.7 Sevenoaks Quarry Site

Mr Martin to update the Council on the meeting held.

LEAD: TM

6.8 Seal Pavilion and Projector screen

As discussed at July's meeting update from Mr Penn and purchase to be approved.

6.9 Grant - Outbreak Management Fund

We may be able to claim a grant from KCC for additional spending we have incurred for cleaning equipment during COVID. potentially £545.94

LEAD: Clerk

7 Accounts and Cheques

7.1 Finance Committee Approval

Since our Finance Committee meeting approvals to date:

MDH Horticultural Contractors £10,985 plus VAT

Safeplay Playground Services Limited £7,904.50 plus VAT

8 Queens Platinum Jubilee celebrations 2nd June to 5th June 2022

A volunteer to plant one of the trees in Seal Recreation Ground and map the location of the tree on the Green Canopy website.

LEAD: ALL

9 Items for Information only

10 Planning

The Council agreed the minutes of the planning committee meeting on 13th January and 24th January and to ratify the responses to planning application consultations submitted after these meetings.

Second phase development of land at Mills Crescent to Sevenoaks DC Call for Sites

Matters for Information Only

Please see website for further information on health advice, financial advice for residents and waste and recycling services and residents who are vulnerable

<https://www.sevenoaks.gov.uk/info/20069142/>

KMCCG COVID-19 Vaccination

<https://www.kentandmedwayccg.nhs.uk/your-health/coronavirus/covid19vaccine>

KCC advice on Coronavirus updates

<https://www.kent.gov.uk/social-care-and-health/health/coronavirus>

Main source of advice for Coronavirus

www.gov.uk/coronavirus

A reminder to report all Highway issues direct to KCC 03000 41 81 81

<http://www.kent.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/report-a-problem> –

A reminder to report problems on PROW to 03000 41 7171 8am-8pm Mon-Friday.

<http://www.kent.gov.uk/waste-planning-and-land/public-rights-of-way/report-a-problem-on-a-right-of>

Please report street light outages in Seal (other than on the A25) to the Parish Council.

Mrs Clare Boland 4th February 2022

APPENDIX – Ongoing Matters with KCC and the Parish Council

Seal

- A25: The SID column needs to be replaced.
- Update on resurfacing due to the bad condition of small roads in Seal, in particular Church Road, Pudding Lane and Zion Street.
- Yellow lines on the corner of Zion Street and Church Road:– This is already one of our priorities on the HIP.
- Copse Bank footpath – Completed last year to a good standard, Parish Council asked whether this could be considered annually for general maintenance.
- Flooding at Grove Lane and Park Lane from the pond. The highway drains into the pond which drains to west but overflows with high levels of silt. – Pond has been dredged -KCC Completed
- A resident has reported a Park Lane wall has been damaged on over 10 occasions. Large vehicles are unable to get by where the lane narrows because cars are parked all day in the free bays. Councillors to decide whether this should be raised as a priority or included in the HIP.

Underriver

- Fawke Wood Road, third sign missing for Underriver. – KCC Completed
- Cyclist are coming down Carters Hill at great speed. The Schemes Project Manager to investigate examples of signage produced by the parish council. The clerk to contact Weald PC.
- Bank Lane is made narrower on the bend at Riverdale Farm by deep accumulated debris at the side the road and by potholes, creating a hazard.
- KCC's survey of two bridges on Mill Lane by Tumbling Bay, requires replacement of small slab extension on both sides of Tumbling Bay West, and on north side of Tumbling Bay East.