

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 12th March 2020 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

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1. Apologies: Mr Penn, Mr Bullied
2. Agree the minutes of the last meeting.
3. Declarations of Interest
4. **KCC Matters – Councillor Gough matters**
 - a) **New and high priority outstanding issues for the PC for discussion**
Childsbridge Lane Railway Bridge – A proposal to add a pedestrian pathway and traffic lights at the Railway Bridge RG
Childsbridge Lane Railway bridge – A proposal to move the village sign for Seal meaning a speed limit could be introduced needs a response from KCC.
 - b) **Ongoing highway matters needing attention, not for discussion, just update when done**
HGV sign going west from Seal to Otford
HGV signs on Pilgrims Way needed in both directions.
Bridleway sign at One Tree Hill, Carters Hill, requires replacing.
 - c) **Schools - progress with Seal PS and Trinity**
Update on use of the bus layby at Trinity/Weald School. RG
 - d) **Sevenoaks Local Plan and Sevenoaks Quarry**
An update if necessary
 - e) **Bentleys Meadow**
Maintenance works of Home Zone. Councillor Gough investigating whether the maintenance of the Home Zone can be delegated to Seal Parish Council or to West Kent Housing Contractors. RG

5. Other Matters Requiring Discussion and Action

- a) Seal Recreation Ground Car Park - Height barrier, Bollards and Gates**
 Awaiting update from Invicta and their solicitor to conclude the licence for operation of a walking bus with KCC. **JS**
 The Clerk has emailed the Primary School to find their intention for the walking bus Mr Martin to finalise signage so that quotes can be obtained.
 The Parish Council are pleased with the work on the bollards so far and we are waiting for a replacement metal gate which is due at the end of March.
 The application for Lawful Development Certificate for height barrier should hear by 23rd March. **RB**
- CIL – SDC advised on this occasion that they will not give permission to use CIL money for the project on the bollards and replacement gates. Councillor Thornton had expressed her concerns by email to SDC regarding CIL money, the clerk has emailed SDC and is awaiting a response.
- Along the A25 at the recreation ground the fencing is deteriorating, Mr Penn and the clerk have looked at the site and the Council need to decide whether to obtain quotes to replace the fence along that stretch. **Clerk**
- b) Playground Equipment in Seal Recreation Ground**
 At the last meeting the council agreed to spend £1,580 on artificial grass and the clerk has organised for a contractor to complete the work on 5 March 2020.
- c) CPRE**
 CPRE are looking for a parish representative who can take a special interest in planning and who can alert them on any issues of concern, as this is a crucial period of the Sevenoaks Plan. It was agreed that the Planning Committee should provide liaison with CPRE. Mr Martin to update. **TM**
- d) St Lawrence Recreation Ground**
 Mr Bourne to report on progress after meetings with Cricket and Football Club representatives. The Council to discuss a plan going forward and appoint councillors to represent the Parish Council on the Trust. **RB**

6. Items for information only and updates if necessary

- a) Community Asset**
 Mr Spencer is dealing with the village hall application. **JS**
- b) Verge Cutting and Wildflower**
 The parish council are liaising with KCC and Kent Wildlife Trust on the sites. There is an information evening on 16th April at 7.30pm in the Pavilion with wine, nibbles and a Powerpoint presentation to discuss the project and to ask for volunteers. Everyone is welcome to attend. Mr Tavare to update. **CT**

c) Councillor Vacancy – Seal Ward

At present we have an opportunity to become a parish councillor and have two vacancies available. If you are interested in becoming a parish councillor, please contact the Clerk.

d) Seal Parish Council Contact Details

Seal Parish Council has changed their email address, all future correspondence to be sent to sealparishc@outlook.com

e) Seal Spring Clean

Mr Brown is organising the spring clean this year and involving the school.

f) Greensand Project – Bitchet Green

There is a walk organised at Bitchet Green open to the parish on 12th May at 6.30pm.

7. Planning

The Council should agree or amend the Minutes of the Planning Committee meetings on 13th and 24th February 2020 which have been circulated.

The Council should ratify the responses to planning application consultations submitted after these meetings, which have also been circulated.

Consultation on the Sevenoaks Neighbourhood Plan began on 31st January and runs until 12th March 2020.

There will be a meeting of the Planning Committee after the Council Meeting for which an agenda will be circulated.

8. Accounts and cheques**Matters for Information Only**

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 6 March 2020