

Briefing Notes for October 2017

1. **Defibrillators** – The one on the toilet block has been installed (photos attached) and the one on the Village Hall is being installed on Friday 20 October 2017.
2. **Fordred Lane** – the patching of the tarmac will be completed by end of October.
3. **Noticeboard in Library car park** – Geoff Hogben installing lockable nuts to secure the noticeboard to the car park on Thursday 19 October 2017.
4. **Bench outside Lyminge Library** – The bench will be sited by Mr Laverty in front of the Library, leaving room for maintenance and decoration to the Library itself, on Saturday 28 October 2017. Jane Pace from the Library has been informed. The Laverty family will take photographs and let Parish Council have a copy.
5. **Bulbs for verge from Broadstreet House to Greenbanks and opposite Well Cottages** – these have been ordered and delivered to Cllr Christine Barnett and are currently stored in Cllr Ann Baker's garage ready for planting on 18 November. Guides and Scouts are helping with planting. An item in the November newsletter inviting volunteers to help has been included.
6. **Replacement of seesaw on Well Field** – no seesaw by the preferred supplier available to view – nearest is in London. Photos of playground products supplied and installed by the supplier circulated to all councillors for agreement to place the order.
7. **To Attach Speed Limit Signage to walls/fences and/or posts within the Parish** – Cllr Mrs Marian Chubb has suggested the Parish Council order their own signs showing the speed limit and attach them to convenient walls, posts, lampposts & telegraph posts. Cllr Colin Manvell to attend Parish Seminar on 1 November 2017 and will discuss road safety including speed limit and signage. Further action to be determined by the response to Cllr Colin Manvell from KCC.
8. **Request to replace stile with Kissing Gate on HE46** (between Orchard Canterbury Rd, Etchinghill and mast at top of Westfield Lane). Email has been forwarded to Edward Denne of KCC to ask landowner either to repair the stile which is badly damaged or give permission for the stile to be replaced with a gate. Awaiting response.
9. **KCC – Survey response on Kent County Highways and Transportation** – survey circulated with this briefing note. Councillors please answer the questions which begin on page 6 and return completed form to the Clerk who will collate and send majority view. If you do not wish to record your views please let the Clerk know.
10. **KALC AGM 18 November 2017** - as previously advised the Clerk has the agenda pack should anyone wish to have a copy or they can be viewed and downloaded from the AGM section of the KALC website – www.kentalc.gov.uk. Please pass any comments/advice to LPC's representatives Cllrs Mrs Gillian Heywood and Richard Chubb. The representatives will have a vote at the meeting.
11. **Field off Longage Hill** – John Macauley the enforcement officer at Shepway has been contacted to confirm the caravan which was removed in 2009 was done so because it was being used for residential purposes. The mobile home currently on site is being used for agricultural purposes and therefore there is no contravention of

any planning regulations. Clarification has been sought whether the site is still being monitored by Planning enforcement. A resident has requested this item be placed on the October Council agenda but as no new information has been received no further decision by the Council is required at this stage. The Clerk will monitor the situation and if it changes whereby the Council needs to make a decision then in accordance with the decision made at the last Council meeting (minute 12) the item will be placed on a forthcoming agenda.

UPDATE TO THE ABOVE ITEM:

The planning enforcement officer at Shepway District Council has clarified the following:

The caravan on the site is being used in connection with the permitted use of the land, which is agriculture. Being a caravan, planning permission would only be required if it had either been adapted to become a building (wheels removed, concrete foundations added etc), or it was used other than in connection with the permitted use of the land. In this case it has not been adapted, and is used in connection with the use of the land. Should you wish to check legislation which embodies this it can be found at Section 55 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended), and if you wish to checking planning case law, the Wealden Vs SoS & Day 1987 case will be of use.

If, as is the case here, planning permission is not required, then the impact on the AONB cannot be assessed. If planning permission were required, then such an assessment could be made to determine its impact. The siting of the caravan does not require planning permission, and therefore does not need planning permission.

12. **Lyminge Bowls Club – Lease Plan** – the final version has been received from JC White and a copy sent to Rootes & Allott Solicitors and to the Bowls Club
13. **Change of signatories for Nat West and Nationwide** – underway, some forms to be signed and identification arranged.