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Chairman, Cllr Mike Gallagher

Responsibilities: Finance, Housing, Highways, KALC rep, 4VPO rep



Vice-Chairman, Cllr Mick Giles

Responsibilities: Littlebourne Charities, Plan, Policing & NHW, Highways, Housing, Flooding, Recreation Club & Ground



Cllr Cate Reid

Responsibilities: Emergency Plan, Highways, Planning, Twinning, Recreation Club & Ground, Community fund



Cllr Pamela Evans

Responsibilities: Planning, Heritage, Allotments, Footpaths & Environment, Littlebourne Nature Reserves



Cllr Ken Shaw

Responsibilities: Littlebourne charities, Flooding, Highways, Emergency Plan, Policing & NHW, gardens & kerbside boxes



Cllr Melanie Moore

Responsibilities: Planning, Finance, Media, Senior Citizens



Cllr Sylvia Wilson

Responsibilities: Planning, Finance, Children, Twinning



Cllr Brian Hurlow

Responsibilities: Allotments, Planning, Flooding, Housing



Cllr Paul Coakley

Responsibilities: The Barn, Emergency Plan, Policing & NHW, Youth, Flooding, KALC



Forthcoming LPC Meetings; 9th March, APM 16th March, 13th April, 11th May, 8th June, 13th July, 14th September, 12th October, 9th November, 14th December.



COURT & LIST MEADOWS, LITTLEBOURNE – ARE YOU ON THE LIST?

Will anyone in housing need now or in the near future, that is interested in Court or List Meadows please register your interest with LPC even if you do not fully meet the 10 years qualifying criteria. This will enable any future vacancies arising in these properties which cannot be filled by anyone meeting the full qualifying criteria to be offered to the applicant with the longest residence in Littlebourne. This will ensure vacancies can be filled quickly and fairly.

Please contact the clerk on 01227 721500 or clerk@littlebournepc.org for a local connection form or download one direct from the website www.littlebourne-parish-council.co.uk

LPC NEWS MARCH 2016

Littlebourne Parish Council Newsletter

Issue 20, March 2016

Welcome

Welcome to the Littlebourne Parish Council's quarterly newsletter. The aim is to let you know what is going on in the village and make you aware of various initiatives that might be of interest. Please remember to visit our website:

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The survey produced 139 responses – 98% from the village residents and 2% from nearby villages. There were many wonderful ideas and suggestions and the Parish Council has considered the responses thoroughly.

A major concern of the development has been the risk of increased flooding and lack of drainage so it was not surprising a high majority of people wanted the plot at the top of The List to be left as open space or planted as woodland.

As for the other plot, there were mixed feelings – not wanting to build on the land but also not missing out on the developer's offer of a village building. A few suggestions seemed to offer a solution to this dilemma – leave the area as open space to be landscaped and ask the developers if they would be willing to extend their offer of a building to an extension of the facilities in the centre of the village. This would also solve the solution of increased traffic flow on and off the development onto The Hill.

The Parish Council have approached the developers and they are happy to consider this in principal and in more detail.

Therefore, it is recommended by the Parish Council that the area at the top be left as open space with the idea of creating a woodland and that the other land be landscaped open space. It is then hoped that another community building will be provided by Rydons in a more central place.

A huge thank you to all that completed the survey and attended the open sessions, helping the Parish Council with their decisions.

Village Diary

Up and coming events in Littlebourne to look out for;

16th March – Annual Parish Meeting, 7pm WHM

30th April – walking trip to Wimille

12th June – Queens Birthday Celebrations, Littlebourne Rec

18th June – Summer Solstice event, Turners Orchard

2nd July – Littlebourne School Fete

Decision on The List land offered by Rydon Homes

After conversations with Rydons, the developer of The List, the Parish Council invited views and comments from residents on what should be done with the land they were offering.

To re-cap, the developers were offering a patch of land at the top of The List. Also, as the Doctor's surgery would be built on Court Hill, the land they had set aside for building that is also to be gifted to the village. Rydon's were keen to know whether the village wanted a building or landscaping on there.

The Parish Council created a survey and held two open sessions at the hall to discuss the various options and were very keen to hear what residents of Littlebourne wanted.



Please clean up after your dog when walking in Littlebourne

MILLENNIUM AWARD NOMINEES 2016

PAUL SPRATT – His efforts and achievements in the furtherance of cricket, for both adult and youth sections are extraordinary. It is a time consuming role and he dedicates a great deal of time and enthusiasm to provide the children with an outlet for their energy, promoting social skills and team spirit. He also applies for many grants to ensure the club has the necessary equipment.

ANNE RIGDEN – Her dedication and commitment to others, in an unassuming way. Her contributions include; flower arranging at St Vincent's, annual collection for Local Hospice, care and attention for an elderly neighbour for many years, member of Turners Orchard Committee and organiser of working parties in the Orchard, other help with village organisations.

ANNE PERKINS & ISABELLE STEPHENS – They have spent the last 8 years working tirelessly on The Cherry Orchard Nature Reserve to make a safe haven for wildlife and native wild plants. They work with local youth groups enabling them to learn about the nature on the reserve.

NANCY WHITE, WENDY GILES & BRENDA LONGLEY (AFTERNOON CLUB TEA MAKERS) - They prepare the refreshments every month, arrange special parties for events during the year. The three of them are also involved with The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal, which they organise and collect all the boxes for. They also arrange coffee mornings and afternoon teas for The Poppy Appeal.



This tame little duck has turned up on the riverbank in Littlebourne. Please contact the Parish Council if anyone has any details of where it has come from.

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All Residents are invited to the Littlebourne Annual Parish meeting

Wednesday 16th March at the Littlebourne War Memorial Hall.
Refreshments from 7pm
for a 7.30 pm start

Our Guest speakers will be Dr Mark Jones Senior Partner of Canterbury Medical Practice and Stuart Gremo from Cardy Construction who will talk about the new Doctors Surgery on Court Hill.

Followed by short reports from the Parish Cllrs and your local organisations

Come along and meet your Cllrs and find out what's happening in your village

Term 3 at Littlebourne Primary School

Since returning to school after Christmas, the children have taken part in several activities aimed at developing their well-being and safety in different contexts.

All classes were visited by a Fire Safety officer who spoke to the children about the role of the Fire Brigade, ways to ensure safety in their own homes and actions to take if an emergency arose. Years 5 and 6 were also spoken to by a Police Liaison officer on appropriate use of social media sites on the Internet. The whole school marked Safer Internet Day in February, with our e-safety group leading workshops to share the key messages with the younger children.

Children have also been challenged to respond to Healthy Living issues through workshops run by the Community Health Team which focused on making choices about diet, particularly identifying the amount of sugar in popular food and drinks. To support the children in this, an after-school Cookery Club has been established where children are able to follow recipes using basic ingredients and prepare items to take home at the end of the session. There are further opportunities for the children to adopt a healthy lifestyle through joining other after-school activities being offered such as Gymnastics and 5-a-side football, run by experienced coaches, and Dance-Exercise club.

Further booked events for March are; a professional drama presentation to the whole school of *The Wizard of Oz* (funded by the PTA) and a whole school trip to Chiddingstone Castle to view the amazing collections of Denys Eyre Bower (transport for this has been generously funded by the Parish Council).

The PTA are planning an Easter-Egg Event in the school grounds on Saturday, 26th March – all welcome – look out for posters around the village.

Stella Byrne, Head of School

Working with Rydon Homes to deliver The List development we all want to see

Following the open meeting on November 30 2015, the whole Parish Council met representatives from Rydon Homes Ltd and said that the Villagers of Littlebourne acknowledged that the Canterbury City Council had passed their application for development of The List and that it would work with Rydon to achieve their scheme. The Parish Council was at pains to point out that the objections it and the Villagers had raised to their application were very real and could represent a threat to the realisation of Rydon's plans and that we would present our concerns to them so that we could jointly understand their proposed solutions.

To do this effectively we want to hear of Villager's worries and collect evidence of their concerns so that we can raise them properly in a spirit of co-operation with Rydon and their experts and advisers.

So that we can deal with your concerns we have formed a small number of 'focus groups' of Parish Councillors and Villagers to collate your questions under four headings:

Drainage and Sewerage, Traffic, Final site layout and Environmental impacts

If you have any thoughts, observations or questions about The List development please feel free to bring them forward and we will raise them with Rydon Homes on your behalf.

Please contact the following Parish Councillors if you have any questions or concerns in these areas:

Drainage and Sewerage (including increased Flooding potential) Leaders: Cllr Mick Giles assisted by Cllr Ken Shaw

Traffic (impacts on A257 and other Village roads – including pedestrians) Leader: Cllr Cate Reid

Final site layout (effects on surrounding properties + pedestrian access) Leader: Cllr Brian Hurlow

Environmental impacts (effects on wildlife currently on and around The List) Leader Cllr Pamela Evans

Each can be contacted through the Parish Office. Please feel free to raise any other issues or concerns directly with the Parish Clerk so that we can make sure that we can accurately reflect your worries and also your hopes for the future of our Village.

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