



LPC NEWS MARCH 2018

Littlebourne Parish Council Newsletter

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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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Village Diary

Up and coming events in Littlebourne to look out for;

Wednesday 7th March

LPC Meeting 7pm

Wednesday 21st March

Littlebourne Annual Parish Meeting 7pm

Saturday 5th May till Monday 7th May

St Vincent's Flower Festival

Saturday 2nd June

St Vincent's Open Gardens

Saturday 30th June

Turners Orchard Music & Picnic



Littlebourne Ariel photo circa 1950



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New Developer for The List

LPC have learned that negotiations are in progress between Rydon Homes and Folkestone based Developer Leath Park Developments, part of The Jenner Group, together with Moat, a leading Housing Association in the South East, for them to purchase The List site together with its Planning Permission.

The construction works will be carried out by Jenner. Finance is being provided by Moat and Leath Park.

Negotiations have been underway for the last year with Rydons and the organisations are currently in a period of exclusivity in their talks which expire at the end of February 2018.

The Planning Permission, as granted, is for 87 new homes of which 26 will be affordable and this is what will be built. There are a number of reserved matters in the Planning Permission and these are being worked through now.

Leath Park believe that the reserved matters application will be prepared over the coming months with a submission in the summer, and they hope to start on site in the Spring of 2019.

LPC have had a meeting with Darren Welch (Managing Director, Leath Park) and Manoj David (Development and New Business Finance Director, Moat), and have brought both of them up to speed with the discussions that we have had with Rydon Homes, so that they know of the Village's feeling about the development.

We believe that this sale will go ahead, although the discussions are not yet completed, and have established an opening relationship with the two Companies which will stand us in good stead as the site is developed and enable the best possible outcome for all of our Villagers.



The Millennium Award 2018 The Nominees

DAPHNE KELK – over many years always helped the community mainly by organising and baking many wonderful cakes for the Barn and all its events that take place for the village. She tirelessly helps other people in need by giving them lifts to doctors' appointments or other appointments needed. Daphne is still putting others first and finding time to bake the most wonderful cakes! all for our community (having tasted these cakes she would be competition for Paul Hollywood) . All in all she deserves recognition please.

ANNE RIGDEN – For her dedication and commitment to the village and those that live here. She works in a very unassuming way, not looking for accolades or reward, other than improving the lives of others and the village amenities. She annually collects for a local Hospice, regularly cares and attends for an elderly neighbour, helps with village functions in WMH and organises working parties in Turners Orchard (where she is joint Chairman) and also now serves as School Governor at Littlebourne CEP.

VIV SPRATT – For all she continues to do for the village, especially in terms of NHW co-ordinating, being a Trustee for Ladybirds pre-school and making herself available when LPC have needed to consult with her.

MARGARET HARRISON – For her commitment to the village. She is Vice-Chairman of LWMH and coordinates U3A activities in the village, which many villages take part in and enjoy, such as patchwork and music.

CATE REID – unstinting work in managing the Hall Trust and running a booking service. Especially over recent times where it has proved a very challenging job, where Cate has risen to the challenge in organising the help to obtain funding work needed. Congratulations to the whole team who have supported her and done such a splendid job.

The winner will be announced at the APM on 21st March.

Young person's survey

As promised LPC are carrying out a survey for the young residents in the village. We want to find out what living in Littlebourne is like for the young people in the village. We want to know what facilities and activities are currently being used, by which age groups and if there are any suggestions to what could be improved.

Children at Littlebourne CEP should be bringing a survey home in their bookbags – so keep an eye out for it and please return to school.

You can also pick up a copy of the survey from the shop or Parish Office and return into the parish postbox. Forms can also be printed online from our website and emailed back to clerk@littlebournepc.org

Littlebourne Annual Parish Meeting 2018

All Residents are invited to attend

**Wednesday 21st March at the Littlebourne War Memorial Hall.
Refreshments from 7pm
for a 7.30 pm start**

Our Guest speakers will be Darren Welch from Leath Park Developments and Manoj David from Moat and they will be talking about their plans for The List.

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

The 2018 Millennium Award Winner will be announced.

Come along and meet your Cllrs and find out what's been happening in your village over the last year. And what might happen next year...

Council Tax increase

This year you will see an increase in your council tax bill for the first time in 6 years from LPC. We have over

these 6 years managed to not increase our precept, however the money passed down to us from the Government by way of Council Tax Support Grant has decreased by more than £3500, so we now need to pass on this cost to our residents. The rise should be approx. £2.50 more per year on a band D property.

This small increase ensures that we will be able to maintain services within the village and allow adequate contingency, as we predict further cuts going forward. Concurrent funding (funds passed down from Canterbury City Council), which is likely to disappear completely in 2021 currently provides LPC with approx. £12,500 per year towards services, such as grass cutting, litter picking, tree works and play area maintenance.

War Memorial Hall

The much needed redecoration is well underway inside the hall, the ladies toilet ceiling has also been re-plastered and further roof repairs have been carried out. It has been a trying time for everyone concerned but it has not stopped us applying for Grants, some of which have been awarded.

Other Funding activities are still being organised and the Hall Committee are very grateful to everyone who has been supporting them. The village has been very helpful and pro-active in these efforts, which has been so very good to see.

One word of warning! We would ask hirers to please not use sellotape or bluetac on the freshly painted walls. Hooks have been put under the pelmets in the main hall for things to be hung on. And please, please take your decorations down when you have finished. Thank you so much!

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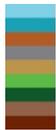
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