# LPC NEWS SEPTEMBER 2019

## 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 4th September**
LPC Meeting 7pm

**Wednesday 2nd October**
LPC Meeting 7pm

## Please clean up after your dog

We have been finding increased evidence of dogs fouling on the Recreation ground and on the pathway alongside the school, unfortunately this is not being cleared up by the owners.

## Contact Us

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## Turners Orchard

After the daffodils and beautiful blossom we are now enjoying a variable harvest (some trees having a rest this year!). Our orchard is being used increasingly by pre-school children- this should be a completely safe place for them to be so please can all dogs be kept on leads so no mess is left behind.

We were lucky that it stayed dry for our 'Music in the Orchard' and BBQ event. We were entertained by 'Uklear Power', mini- maestros from Littlebourne School playing their ukuleles, CJ and Erin & Joel. £61 was given by folk on the day which has been sent to Pilgrims Hospices - thank you.

Sadly there has recently been another spate of vandalism (oak table upturned and broken and boundary tampered with). This is disheartening for the people who willingly give hours of their time and energy caring for this special space. We know the vast majority of folk value and respect Turner's Orchard so we ask if you see actions or people who concern you please

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report this to the Parish Council 721500/Community Warden (07969 583916) so we can try to keep this area a safe, peaceful spot for everyone to share and enjoy

Thank you.

Turner's Orchard is maintained by a loyal group of volunteers - you can see some of us during the refreshment break at a recent Work Party. We always welcome new helpers so please ring 721398 if you are interested.

## Court Meadows and List Meadows Housing

LPC have a Local Connection agreement in place for the letting of these properties. There are 2 x 4 bedroom, 10 x 3 bedroom, 9 x 2 bedroom, 8 x 2 bed bungalow, 3 x 1 bed bungalow and 4 x 1 bed flats that are managed by Sanctuary or Southern Housing. Any applicants have to meet a strict Local Connection to Littlebourne. LPC manage a list of eligible people that meet these Local Connection criteria. Applicants do also need to have a housing need under the City Councils allocation policy.

Please contact the clerk or download a local connection form from our website to be considered for this list. Please also ensure you have also registered on The Kent Homechoice website and have a current housing needs number.

LPC are not involved with the allocation of properties we just provide Canterbury City Council with a list of eligible people when a property comes available and they dea with it from there.

## Development in the village updates

LPC have been informed that the 5 new properties being built by King & Johnston on The List track will be complete by October.

The Anchor site is still awaiting an Appeal via The Planning Inspectorate to see whether they are allowed to build 3 houses in the carpark, as opposed to the 2 they already have permission for. This is along with the conversion of the pub into housing.

The main List site is now underway, with the construction of the site access from the Hill and the digging of the attenuation pond at the bottom of the site. LPC's solicitors are handling the paperwork to receive the transfer of land at the top of the site, as Open Space and sum of money to maintain it.

Thank you to Leath for their assistance to Littlebourne Horticultural Society. They have laid down a new trackway inside the allotments, which will lead to the new gateway, which is to be installed shortly.

## Grants Available For Local Groups

This is a reminder to local groups to apply for a grant from Littlebourne Parish Council for 2020-21 If you wish to apply for grant support for the financial year 2020-21, then you should request an application form from the clerk. The deadline for applications will be 18th October, after which budgets for the year will be considered.

This year we were pleased to be able to give funding towards;

- The scooter rack project at Littlebourne School
- Upkeep of St Vincent's Churchyard
- A day trip for the Afternoon Club
- The gents toilet refurb at LWMH

## Doctors Surgery now open

Finally, the new Court Hill surgery opened for business on Monday 22nd July at 8am. No change in contact numbers. They look forward to welcoming patients.

## Littlebourne School Ofsted

Congratulations to Littlebourne School who in June were graded GOOD in all areas by Ofsted. It is great to see the school thriving. Well done to the staff and students.

## Cricket Club Fun Day

Was held on Sunday 28th July on The Recreation Ground. With a BBQ, bouncy castles and a gripping Bat and Trap Tournament, it was a lovely day enjoyed by all. Thank you to the organisers.

## Public Toilets for Littlebourne

The Parish Council are making plans for a public toilet to be built and installed as part of the Hall and Shop complex. So far response of the news has been very positive and our new Canterbury City Councillor, Louise Jones-Roberts, is already working hard to secure funding from the Council.

We will keep you updated on progress. For more information please email Councillor Melanie Moore on cllr.moore@littlebournepc.org


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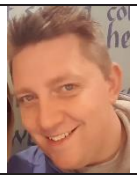

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