



LPC NEWS DECEMBER 2017

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;

Saturday 2nd December

Cake, Craft & Coffee morning LWMH

Wednesday 6th December

LPC Meeting 7pm

Friday 8th December

Littlebourne School Christmas fair 2.30pm

Wednesday 13th December

Guiding Year LWMH

Sunday 31st December

New Year's Eve party LWMH

Court Hill Doctors

The new surgery and enabling development is progressing, the foundations and ground floor slab were complete at the end of October. The project is on programme for completion July 2018.



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Littlebourne School visit Wimille



On 12th October, children from Eagles and Tigers classes visited our twin school in Wimille, France.

We had a fantastic day taking part in lessons in French classrooms, enjoying the park in Wimille village and visiting the beautiful beach at Wimereaux, the village next door to Wimille. Thank you to all the parent volunteers and well done to the children who made it such a successful day by joining in with enthusiasm and trying out their French speaking skills.





The Millennium Award

Do you know someone in Littlebourne who deserves recognition?

An unsung hero?

Someone making a difference?

Someone who goes the extra mile?

Why not nominate them for the Millennium Award?

Since 2000 the parish council has sought to select that special someone who perhaps goes the extra mile or who cares for the people and the environment, who has made a difference to the community through a project or work undertaken for the benefit of the residents of the village. This person might be an unsung hero who is busy helping in the background.

Now is your opportunity to give them some recognition and thanks

Littlebourne parish council is seeking nominations from within the community for the Millennium Award 2018

Please email the parish clerk at clerk.littlebournepc.org or pop your letter in the Parish Council postbox - explaining why you believe this person should win. All nominations to be submitted by 31 January 2018.

The result will be announced at the Annual Electors' Parish Meeting on 21st March 2018.

Cherry Orchard Nature Reserves News

Volunteers have been working very hard onsite again this year. The chalk area has been further developed and more planting has taken place. New developments include the creation of a beach area, next to a chalk bank to grow native shoreline plants. Littlebourne Explorers have also been working on the site building a 'dead hedge' which will provide shelter and homes for small mammals and insects.

Littlebourne CEP are now having Forest school sessions as an after-school club on the reserve.

St Nicholas School continue to bring their pupils to the reserve for pond dipping and other activities.



In the summer months a Behavioural Entomologist visited the site and logged the wildlife spotted on the reserve. Five types of bees, three types of cricket and grasshoppers, nettle tap moths, tapered drone fly, long hoverfly, honeysuckle whitefly were recorded, plus many others.

Free safe and well visit for anyone over 70 or with mobility issues

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Chairman's update on The List track

At the last PC meeting the Chairman reported back on the legal advice we had now received from our solicitors on LPC's position with regard to The List track ownership, maintenance and access for the 4 properties granted permission under CA/17/00137/FUL.

LPC had sought advice over whether the access granted in the 1920 indenture could be restricted to that of agricultural only. This would then make this permission granted as 'excessive use' of the access. The advice concludes that LPC should not pursue this avenue any further.

With regard to the ongoing maintenance of the track unfortunately when the land which is now owned by Rydon was conveyed to Mr Newing in 1920, Mr Phelps gave the right of way but did not require him to contribute to the upkeep of the roadway.

LPC have had a full survey of the boundaries carried out, and will be contacting Rydon over the siting of these 4 properties within their plots and seeking further advice on the positioning of other fencing on the track. Surveyor to be asked to carry out some further works.

Howletts Elephant Bridge

Under the planning permission for the public footpath bridge that goes over the elephant enclosure at Howletts, there must be provision for those unable to climb over the bridge. This has always involved the use of an intercom system linked into Howletts, where someone will come and let you through a series of gates. This system has now become out of order and the PC have been liaising with Howletts to sort an alternative. There are now temporary signs in place giving detail of the phone number to call, from your mobile 24/7 to obtain assistance. These signs will be made permanent in 2018.



The 4 Villages Sing sail with Nelson

Our ambitious and intrepid singers from the 4 Villages Sing took to the road to commemorate the Battle of Trafalgar outside in Portsmouth Naval Dockyard on Trafalgar Day, 21st October under the command of Littlebourne maestro Adrian Bawtree.

Our choristers joined *Cantores Dominicae* from Lyminge (another of Adrian's choirs) and *The Fine Voice Academy* from Portsmouth to make a total crew of singers that numbered nearly 100 strong. They assembled in front of the iconic HMS Victory to perform Adrian's cantata entitled 'Make More Sail!'.

A well-known composer and director, Adrian originally wrote this work to be performed by children and re-wrote it for adult voices and it tells the story of the battle through the signals flown at every stage of the battle giving the Fleet its orders. These included the famous signal 'England Expects That Every Man Will Do His Duty', which interestingly came into being thanks to a suggestion by the Signals Lieutenant on board HMS Victory, John Pasco, to Admiral Nelson. Perhaps appropriately for such an event and its theme, the weather was gusty and threatening throughout the afternoon of the performance, but our feisty singers won through it all!

The 4-Villages Sing meets next on Monday December 11 to sing popular songs under the baton of Adrian. No prior skill is need – just come along to the Lounge from 9.30 until 11.00am. If you need any more information call Adrian on 722054 or 07805 926455.



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