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# LPC NEWS JULY 2023

Littlebourne Parish Council Newsletter

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## Welcome

Welcome to the Littlebourne Parish Council's quarterly newsletter. Please also remember to visit our website:

[www.littlebourne-parish-council.co.uk](http://www.littlebourne-parish-council.co.uk)



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## Village Diary

Up and coming events in Littlebourne to look out for:

### Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July

Next LPC Meeting 7pm in the LWMH meeting room

### Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July & 17<sup>th</sup> August

Bingo in the Lounge 2pm

### Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July & 3<sup>rd</sup> August

Social afternoon in the Lounge 2pm

### Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September

LPC Meeting 7pm in the LWMH meeting room

### Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October

LPC Meeting 7pm in the LWMH meeting room

If you would like to advertise your business in this newsletter, please contact the clerk for more information (details at top of newsletter).

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## Chairmans Report June 2023

Following on from my previous report to you and as most residents of the village will be well aware, the Gladman developers did indeed submit an outline plan for 300 houses on the Mount's land on the south side of the Hill. Well over a 100 responses from villagers were made to the city council almost all against together with a detailed submission from Littlebourne Parish Council outlining the major problems of a such a development. We may expect a decision by the City Council planner probably by around early to mid- August. A recent separate case elsewhere in the Canterbury District has been declared by the reviewing Inspector that Canterbury does not have an adequate 'land supply' for housing. This is a serious technical definition which now forces the city planners into a position of presumption of approval of submissions unless serious issues are likely. The parish council and it's action group have tried to emphasise just such serious risks to the rare Little Stour chalk stream of a small package sewage plant for this development in addition to traffic risks on The Hill and general infrastructure burden. My thanks to all who have given their time to building our strong case and it's now up to the planners and all city councillors to make the only right decision for Littlebourne.

The last round of parish council elections has seen long-serving Councillor Ken Shaw stand down after 23 years. We will miss his guidance and in-depth knowledge of village matters especially on the Little Stour. We are delighted that two new councillors have joined and that the council is back to the full compliment of nine members (more on this below).

Cllr Peter Farrow, Chairman.

### Welcome to new LPC Councillors

Following the Parish Council elections in May, your council now has onboard two new councillors: Cllr John Sullivan and Cllr Nick Posener. We also say goodbye and thank you to Ken Shaw, who served on the parish council for 23 years, was a member of various sub-committees and represented the villages interests on various external committees over this period. Councillors will be taking on various responsibilities in the village after the next months meeting.



Cllr John Sullivan & Cllr Nick Posener

### Littlebourne Public Toilet

The much-requested public toilet situated at the LWMH, next to the parish office is now up and running. You need either a 20p piece or a RADAR key to use. Initial results from the first few weeks are positive and show a steady increasing use of the facility. Many thanks to Quinn Estates and Canterbury City Council for their grants that have enabled this project to be completed.

### The Laurels open space

The wooden play trail will be installed shortly as per the planning permission. The pathways are just being laid out on the open space then the area will be seeded with a mix that will include a

wildflower element, that will require less frequent mowing. This area will remain fenced off until the grass is fully established, along with the open space to be managed by the management company. Once the fencing is ready to be removed LPC can take over the maintenance of the area.

As promised by Jenner at the beginning of construction the footpath from the Evenhill estate is due to be reopened back up before they finish onsite. A retained wall has been built to facilitate a zig zag style pathway down that will be suitable for pushchairs and mobility scooters, this will link up with the new pathway leading across the open space.



### Susan Beeney

#### Millennium Award Winner 2023

This year's award was won by our Community Warden Susan Beeney. Susan was nominated for this award by a resident "She is just what Littlebourne needs, she is super with people and really does care. She has built a great friendship with some of the elderly residents in the village, allowing them to attend events in the hall." Susan was presented with the award at our APM in March, where she was presented with a certificate and a cheque for £100 (which will be donated to a charity of her choice) by the Chairman.



### Littlebourne Speedwatch Team

The team have been out again on The Hill in June trying to slow drivers through the village. Kent Police have also out in Littlebourne this month, they stopped numerous vehicles and issued multiple tickets for speeding. The speedwatch team are always looking for more volunteers, if you are interested and can give a few hours please contact [cllr.Reid@littlebournepc.org](mailto:cllr.Reid@littlebournepc.org)



### Kings Coronation Littlebourne

Many thanks to Nikki Maxted and her group of volunteers that organised the village Kings Coronation celebrations that were held in the lounge, with refreshments provided by the Parish Council's Community Fund. Due to the good weather, everyone was able to spill outside onto the recreation ground and enjoy the sunshine. There were children's activities in the gazebo, Joey The Clown on the rec and a raffle that raised a generous £170 that Nikki kindly donated to the Littlebourne War Memorial Hall.



### Court & List Meadows, Littlebourne – Are You on the List?

Do you have a housing need? Please don't forget to 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 remember that you must also be on the city council housing list.

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### Dog Fouling

Littlebourne has been experiencing problems with persistent dog fouling on the path alongside the school and around the recreation ground. With the exception of agricultural and forestry land, you must clear up after your dog. This includes footpaths, highways, parks, public gardens and council land. If a red dog waste bin is unavailable, litter bins may be used if the mess is bagged and sealed. Fixed penalty notices can be issued by council inspectors for anyone who does not comply with the regulations. You can report incidents at [www.canterbury.gov.uk](http://www.canterbury.gov.uk)



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