# AGENDA BEAN PARISH COUNCIL Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2022

at 7pm at Bean Village Hall

Members to note that following a resolution passed at the October 2010 Meeting, Item 7, and in accordance with Standing Orders 12a the Minutes of the previous meeting will be taken as read.

	Agenda Item
1	Apologies for absence
2	<ul> <li>Declarations of interest</li> <li>2.1 To receive any updates to the Register of Interests</li> <li>2.2 To receive any declarations of interest against an agenda item.</li> </ul>
3.	Minutes 3.1 To APPROVE the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Monday 17th October 2022 that they be received as a true and complete record and that the resolutions contained therein be deemed to be the resolutions of the Council.  RECOMMENDATION: That the Minutes of the Parish Council held on 17th October 2022 be approved and adopted as a true record
4	<ul> <li>Matters Arising         To consider any other matters arising from the Minutes not covered elsewhere on the agenda and at the discretion of the Chair any items of an urgent nature that need to be discussed.     </li> <li>4.1 The Queen's Green Canopy Memorial Tree Planting         To receive an update     </li> <li>4.2 Remembrance Day Service – Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2pm         To receive a report.     </li> </ul>
5	Announcements from the Chair

# Community Rural Warden A new Community Warden has been appointed for Longfield and Bean and she should start end of November following completion of her training. 2<sup>nd</sup> Information and warm hub to be held on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2022, 1.30 – 3pm at Bean Village Hall Correspondence To note and consider: The Committee for Standards in Public Life has issued best practice recommendations on how to embed high ethical standards in public sector organisations. Recommendation No. 11 'Formal standards complaints about the conduct of a parish councillor towards a clerk should be made by the chair or by

the parish council as a whole, rather than the clerk in all but exceptional circumstances', is drawn to Council's attention.

Parish councillors, clerk and chair should work together as a team and combine energies and skills to deliver real benefits to the community they serve. Good working relationships, mutual respect and an understanding of their different roles are vital. In the view of the Monitoring Officer, 'exceptional circumstances' would include conflict between the Clerk (as employee) and the Parish Council (as employer) where the Clerk is not treated with respect by the Parish Council.

- LGA 'Working between the tiers'.
- Kent's Plan Bee October newsletter.
- The Boundary Commission for England has released is final proposals for the Parliamentary Constituency:-
- https://boundarycommissionforengland.independent.gov.uk/ In summary, the final proposals are as previously proposed. The Dartford Constituency will no longer include the areas of Hartley and Hodsoll Street ward from Sevenoaks, but the Wilmington, Sutton-at-Hone & Hawley, and Darenth wards would be removed from Dartford and form part of the Sevenoaks Constituency.

Any comments on the proposals can be submitted via the Boundary Commissions website.

- Rural Bulletin 18, 25 October, 1, 8 November
- Bluewater community forum at Bluewater which is being held on Thursday 24th November 6pm 8pm. Refreshments will be served from 5.45pm.
- Santa's Bus Monday 19th December at 3pm Black Horse Car Park.

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# 8 KALC/SLCC/NALC

- **8.1** Notice & papers for the KALC AGM 19th November 2022
- **8.2** November NALC Newsletter
- **8.3** November NALC Chief Executive's Bulletin
- **8.3** KALC October newsletter

## 9. Parish Forum

No matters to consider at time of publication

#### 10 GDPR

No matters to consider at time of publication

# 11 Lower Thames Crossing

Lower Thames Crossing: Community video newsletter - Autumn 2022
https://elinkeu.clickdimensions.com/c/7/eyJhaSI6ODcyMTA4OTQsImUiOiJiZWFucGFya
XNoY291bmNpbEBidGludGVybmV0LmNvbSIsInJpIjoiYWNjb3VudC0zYjNiYjcyMDhj
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# 12 <u>Consultations</u>

#### 12.1 Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan Regulation 18 Public Consultation.

The Consultation deadline has been extended from the 4th December to midnight on Monday 12th December 2022.

#### 13 Kent Police

#### **13.1** October report

#### **Crimes of note:**

• Southfleet Road – Dog Dangerous – Informant took their dog to Beacon Wood Country Park, when a dog attacked their dog and bit informant. Crime report and a Community Protection Warning was sent to Offender.

#### Anti-social behaviour and other incidents of note:

• School Lane – Animal straying – Horse out of paddock, was returned by member of the public.

There were no items of Good Work in Bean

#### 14 Planning

#### To NOTE the following

- **14.1** Weekly planning lists from DBC including Planning Decisions taken under delegated powers
- **14.2** Weekly planning lists from EDC

To note the following application has been GRANTED

#### 14.3 DA/22/01061/FUL

7 School Lane

Erection of a single storey rear infill extension

## 15 Highways

#### 15.1 Meeting with National Highways

To receive an update

### 15.2 20mph Speed limit in Bean

Order has been raised.

15.3 One.Network training for Councillors

## 16 **Environmental Issues**

#### 16.1 Fly tipping in Sandy Lane

Further to the Council's concern about the increase in fly-tipping in this road and whether there were any proactive measurers that could be taken to prevent or reduce the number of occurrences, Cllr. Hammock raised the Council's concerns with the Waste and Parks Manager and received the following response.

Further to our discussion yesterday, here are the main issues that affect our ability to stop fly-tipping in Sandy Lane and other similar areas:

- When fly-tipping has occurred we either need some evidence in it, or a witness, or cctv footage, to try to find the offender and fine or prosecute them
- We have a two mobile cctv cameras which are used at our recycling sites, as these attract the most dumping, and they cost approx. £2k each per month to run. We cannot cover country lanes with cctv cameras as we need safe locations to put them and the cost would be prohibitive
- Country lanes are full of passing places and field entrances that are easy to pull into

and therefore, vulnerable to fly tipping – we cannot block them off because they are either needed for traffic flow or to gain access to a field (and as we are not the Highway Authority we do not have the authority to do this in any case)

We receive anywhere between 200 and 300 reports of fly-tipping each month, which is comparable with and no worse, or better, than other boroughs.

We do have a better than most rate of catching and fining offenders though

17	<b>Footpaths</b>
	17.1 DR25
	In response to the Council's query to the PROW Officer as to why the section of
	DR25 footpath from its junction with School Lane down to where it crosses DR24 is
	not maintained as a 2 metres wide track as clearly stated on the definitive map
	revision 2013 TQ57SE reference corrected MMO dated 2005 the following response
	was received.
	That is easy to answer in that we cut the path for the use of the path. So although the
	path is 2 metres wide the traffic does not demand this. If we did, I'm sure we would
	experience vehicles using it and churning up the surface.
	17.2 Fly-tipping on DR25
	Confirmation has been received that DBC and not KCC are responsible for the
	Clearance waste/fly-tipping on PROW footpaths,
18	Beacon Woods
	18.1 HE Landscaping project in Beacon Woods
	Awaiting response from National Highways/Balfour Beatty on
	outstanding issues:
	- The pegging of the perimeter logging for the car-parks
	- The provision of additional closing times for the Ladder sign
19	Recreation Facilities
	<b>19.1</b> Repairs to the vehicular gates have been completed.
20	Bean Village Hall
	No matters to consider at time of publication
21	Allotmont Aggoriation
21	Allotment Association 21.1 Bean Allotment Association AGM - Monday 28th November 2022 at 7pm at Bean
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22	Residents' Association
	<b>22.1</b> To note the minutes of the October meeting
	<b>22.2</b> To receive a report on the meeting held on 7 <sup>th</sup> November
23	Community Bus
	23.1 Outstanding Invoice
	To receive an update
24	Spirit's Rest
	To receive a report
25	<u>Finance</u>
	25.1 Bank and Scribe reports up to 31 October 2022
	To note the following
	- Co-op Bank transactions on all accounts 1- 31 October 2022
	- Bank reconciliation on all accounts
	- Monthly breakdown of receipts and payments
	- Net position by cost centre and code
	- Receipts and payments forecast
	- Summary of receipts and payments all cost centres and codes
	- Cost centre year comparisons

#### 25.2 Balance as at 31 October 2022 on all accounts

Bean Parish Council

Reserve Account	6485.79
Current Account (No. 1 account)	11828.80
Petty Cash	82.66
TOTAL	18,397.25

Bean Village Hall

Current Account (No. 2 account)	19943.79
Petty Cash	76.37
TOTAL	20,020.16

#### 25.2 Clerks' National Pay Agreement

To note the Pay Agreement for 2022-2023.

#### 25.3 CIL Payment

We have been advised that a CIL payment was received by the Borough Council during the period 1st April to 30th September 2022 from development within Bean parish. Therefore, a Neighbourhood Portion of £2,431.63 will be transferred to Bean Parish Council. The payment will be paid directly into your account shortly. The CIL payment received relates to the following development: DA/20/00797 Land Adjacent to 31 School Lane, Bean.

# 25.4 Scribe – price increase

We have been advised of the following

New prices come into effect from 1st November, but we know that price changes can be challenging so the increase will not come into effect until your next renewal date on or after the 1st of April 2023.

We wanted to let you know now rather than at your renewal date as we know that you will shortly be discussing your budget for 2023.

Your subscription increases by £5.33 per month

All subscriptions will increase from the 1st of April and for you, your current monthly subscription fee will increase by £5.33 per month for Accounts used by Bean Parish Council. This gives you a new monthly subscription of £32.00 per month (paid annually as per usual).

#### 25.5 Budget

To consider any projects Councillors would like included in the budget.

#### 26 Items of interest

- **26.1** Chair's Items
- 26.2 Borough Councillor's Items
- **26.3** Members' Items
- 26.4 Clerk's Items

# **Questions from the public**

JS Becket Clerk to Bean Parish Council