

Clerk's Report for 9th April 2024 Full Council Meeting

Agenda Items

- 10.2 **Bus Shelters - S106 Ashill Regen** – The developer has been in touch to advise that under the S106 agreement they are to install 2 bus shelters on the B2192 near Yeomans. They have asked if we are happy to have the same shelters as are situated near the Round House development <https://www.bus-shelters.co.uk/> (the Newstead is the style used at Round House). It should be noted that having spoken to ESCC, they advise that we will be responsible for the maintenance of these shelters once in situ.
- 10.3 **Tree Quotes** - 4 quotes were sought initially. Adams Tree Professionals (ATP) did not respond and Sussex Tree Surgeons (STS) didn't want to quote for this but do want to be asked to quote in the future.
- 11i. **Health and Safety Policy** - This is a new policy for consideration.
- 11ii. **Tree Policy** - This policy, new last year, was scheduled for a review after the first year to ensure that there were no issues, which there haven't been. It should now move onto the general review schedule. We have removed the cost as this will not remain static.
14. **Parking Review - Items already on the list are as follows:**
- i. Damaged verges at Anchor Field, Shepherds Way (not Close) and Springett Avenue
 - ii. Elphick Road/Broyle Lane junction to be considered for yellow lines to be extended to at least twenty feet
- I have spoken to John Young, the Parking Review Officer. He advised that any request will be assessed against a large criteria. It is important that we give as much info as possible as to why we have put in a request. Support from Police/Cllrs/ Fire etc. all add weight.
15. **Ballot for a vacancy for the Board of the SDNPA** - There is one vacancy. As an eligible voting council (those whose Council falls within the SDNP boundary), we have received the ballot papers. These must be returned by post by 26th April 2024. We have one vote. The count has been scheduled for 2nd May at 2pm in Hurstpierpoint.
- 19.1 LW/24/0146 is the Stonewater HA alternative proposals for the development. Now we have the actual information, and there are some issues we need to discuss.
- 19.2 LW/24/0080CD is a Condition Discharge application (Construction Management) on which we have already commented. However, in a late revision Thakeham have now made the new proposal that all resident and cafe customer parking on Bishops Lane should be banned for the next couple of years to avoid any problems for their construction traffic. LDC have been notified that we will be making further comment.

Finance

The sum of £62,615.04, being the closing balances of both National Savings Investment Accounts, has been credited to the CCLA Public Sector Deposit Account per FC 13.02.24 min 9.2.

Precept - The first instalment in the sum of £77,996.00 has been received into the bank account on 2nd April.

General

Fingerpost Field Tree Work - Emergency works have been carried out to an ash tree in danger of falling on the neighbour's garage. Two leaders from the ash have been removed at a cost of £750.00 + VAT.

Peter Shayler Funfair - The funfair will be with us again this year, arriving on Mon 2nd Sept and leaving on Monday 9th Sep. Rides will be open on 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th.

Ringmer Repair Café - Rosemary Colbourn from St Mary's Church has been in touch to advise that they are trying to gain interest in the setting up of a Ringmer Repair Café. There will be a meeting held at the Church on Friday 19th April between 2.30 -4.00 pm where hopefully volunteers will come forward. It may be that if this group gets up and running, they will approach the PC for funding.

Village Pond - The remedial works to stop the pond overflowing, as agreed at the March meeting under item 11.6 has now been instructed and should be carried out within the next few weeks.