



## A G E N D A

To all members of the Council, Press and Public

Members are hereby summoned and notice is given that the **MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE** will be taking place at the King George Memorial Hall, Manor Rise on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 7.45pm when it is proposed to transact the following business:

### **Reports from members of the public**

This is a concessionary short session before the meeting commences and will be limited to 15 minutes. Three minutes per person will be allowed and only if time permits will further comments be heard. This is a for information session only and no action can be taken upon those items raised (15 mins)

#### **1. Declarations of intention to record**

Legislation allows for meetings to be recorded by anyone attending. Persons intending to record or who have concerns about being recorded should please speak to the Clerk. Details of our full recording policy can be found on our website.

#### **2. Apologies and absences**

Members who cannot attend a meeting shall tender their apologies to the Parish Clerk or the Administrator prior to the meeting.

#### **3. Declaration of Interests, Dispensations or Lobbying**

To receive Declarations of Interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda, in accordance with the provisions of the Localism Act 2011 in respect of members and in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1972 in respect of officers. To consider any Dispensation requests received by the Parish Clerk and not previously considered.

#### **4. Signing of the Minutes of the last meeting**

Minutes of the meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2024.

#### **5. Clerk's report**

To receive an update on previous actions

#### **6. Church Landway/Church Car Park** (Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 s57(1)(a) and LGA 1972s126)

- a) To consider options for a barrier to the entrance of the car park.
- b) To consider quote to remove of old steps by car park and option for an additional handrail.
- c) To discuss the planning application for the Tennis Club.
- d) Car park drainage: To review the report from RCD Consultants.

#### **7. General Maintenance** (Open Spaces Act 1906 ss9-10 and Highways Act 1980 s96)

- a) Community Payback Scheme: to receive an update from Cllr Ash.
- b) To consider quote for works to the Cinder path, Church Landway & car park.

#### **8. Bearsted Green** (Open Spaces Act 1906 ss9-10)

- a) Wooden posts: to consider costs.
- b) To consider the use of cricket covers by the Cricket Club.

9. **Allotments** (Small Holding and Allotment Act 1908 ss23,25)
- a) To consider removing conifer tree on allotment plot.
  - b) To discuss allotment plots and fencing along the car park side.
  - c) To consider the plot deposit charged to new tenants.
10. **Open Spaces** (Open Spaces Act 1906 ss9-10)
- a) To reconsider current fees for green space use.
  - b) To consider the updated costs from Medway Valley Countryside Partnership.
  - c) To consider a request for a path on the Elizabeth Harvie Field from the Cross Keys entrance to the opposite entrance.
  - d) Consider location for a wild meadow.
11. **Biodiversity Duty Statement**  
To consider the statement.
12. **Environment Round Table meeting**  
To receive an update from Cllr Ash.
13. **General Correspondence**
- a) Rental request
14. **Future Agenda Items**
15. **Date of next Meeting, 19<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

Signed:



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