

SWANSCOMBE & GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL

SUMMONS & AGENDA

A Meeting of the Swanscombe and Greenhithe Town Council will be held on

Tuesday 18 August 2020 at 2.00pm

This will be conducted as a virtual meeting using Zoom.

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Town Clerk

Dated: 13 August 2020

Due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the Press and Public will be excluded from the Meeting from item 14 onwards.

This virtual meeting will be conducted via Zoom. Should any member of the public or outside organisation wish to gain access to this online meeting then they will need to input the following details:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84365946232?pwd=RWpUbDV2Y1ZWMEc5elRBZHJ2TDI0QT09

Meeting ID - 843 6594 6232 Password – 455244

Should any member have any questions regarding the content of the agenda or attached papers, please put them to the clerk's office 24 hours in advance of the meeting.



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AGENDA

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- 1. To receive and accept apologies for absence.
- 2. Declarations of interest in items on the Agenda.

At the Chairman's discretion the meeting will be adjourned at this point to accept questions from the public.

- 3. To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 14 July 2020 (p).
- 4. Items as Deemed Urgent by the Town Mayor / matters arising from previous minutes and their position on the Agenda (for discussion/information only, not for decision).
- 5. KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (KCC) ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING POINTS GRANT (p).

The attached information regarding a grant scheme for electric vehicle charging points was received from Kent Association of Local Councils (KALC).

Recommended:

To approve the submission of an application to the Grant Scheme for the installation, subject to any award being approved, to x3 charging point (Fast (7 to 22kW, 2-4 hour charging time option)

6. PROVISION OF ADDITIONAL STREET LIGHTING IN ALLEY FROM GROVE CAR PARK TO SWANSCOMBE HIGH STREET (p).

Working with KCC Member Peter Harman, and Dartford Borough Council (DBC), investigations have been made as to the possibility of KCC installing additional street lighting in the alley that leads from the Grove Car Park to Swanscombe High Street. KCC Member Peter Harman would fund the installation of the lighting by KCC with the Town Council taking on the maintenance and energy costs of the lighting (the supply would be coming from one of our columns in the car park.

KCC have supplied the attached x3 options and associated costs.

For members information the cost of supplying energy to an individual column is approximately £50 per year.

Recommended: To agree which of the x3 options is the preferred

option and to agree to take on the ongoing costs for maintenance and energy to the additional lighting.

7. THE LONDON RESORT STATUTORY CONSULTATION (p).

After consultation with members an informal Zoom meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday 2 September 2020 at 2.00pm for members to collate any response to the public consultation which will then need to be endorsed at the council meetings scheduled for 15 September 2020 (deadline 21 September 2020).

Links for all the supporting documentation were sent to all Members in July: -

https://londonresort.info/consultation/

Recommended: That the item be noted.

8. FENCING AT PACIFIC CLOSE, SWANSCOMBE (p).

There is a small section of wooden fencing that is regularly subject to anti-social behaviour at the end of the strip of land where Broomfield abuts Pacific Close. Unfortunately this area is susceptible to small groups of youths and anti-social behaviour. Several approaches were made to obtain quotations for metal palisade fencing similar to that used in other areas of Broomfield Park. Members are asked to consider agreeing to these works being undertaken at a cost of approximately £1,000.00.

Recommended: To discuss and advise accordingly.

9. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM) OF THE TOWN COUNCIL.

On the 4 April 2020 the Local Authorities and Police Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations came into force.

This legislation brought into effect the following key points:

- Enabling Parish and Town Council meetings to be held remotely
- Suspending the requirement for Town Councils to hold an Annual General Meeting before 7 May 2021
- Enabling all current appointments (Town Mayor, Chairman and membership of committees) to continue unchanged until 7 May 2021 or such time as the Parish or Town Council decides to change these.

Further to minute 18/20-21 a virtual meeting was held with the Town Mayor and Deputy Town Mayor and it was agreed that the AGM be held at the 17 November 2020 meeting. This would involve the first business being to elect the Town Mayor for the remainder of the civic year (until the AGM in May 2021) and to receive their declaration of office (to be signed outside of the meeting if current restrictions are still in place).

Nb. All current appointments and committee structures etc remain unchanged until the AGM 2021 is held.

Recommended:

To note and endorse the decision to hold the AGM at the 17 November 2020 meeting, as detailed above.

10. REPORTS OF OUTSIDE REPRESENTATIVES.

This provides an opportunity for Members' appointed as representatives on outside bodies to provide a report at the Meeting.

10.1 Whitecliffe Community Liaison Group (WCLG)

Councillor Peter Harman is the Town Councils representative on the WCLG. As previously agreed the agenda for the 21 July 2020 meeting and minutes from the 30 June 2020 meeting are available for inspection.

10.2 North West Kent Volunteer Centre (NWKVC).

Councillor Sue Butterfill is the Town Councils representative on the NWKVC and she has requested that this item be on future agendas to enable her to give a verbal update.

10.3 Ingress Park (Greenhithe) Management Limited (IPGM).

Councillors' Peter Harman and Peter Harris are the Council's representatives on IPGM. IPGM have indicated that, although unable to supply any documentation, they would like a verbal update to be submitted to the Council.

11. DECISIONS, RESPONSES & FINANCES (p).

Attached for member's consideration are the following:

- Decisions and activities undertaken under Section 101 (1) of the Local Government Act 1972 since the previous meeting.
- Planning applications for consideration and responses and decision notices submitted/received during the period of lockdown since the previous meeting.
- Financial payments made and approved with the Chairman of the Finance & General Purposes Committee since the previous meeting.

Recommended: To note and endorse the decision, planning responses and

finances discharged since the previous meeting.

12. RETURN TO WORK PLAN (p).

Attached for members information is the current return to work plan prepared by officers for the remaining services within the Town Council.

Recommended: To note.

13. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC.

TO RESOLVE: Pursuant to section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 that, because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the press and public leave the meeting during consideration of the following item.

14. LAND AT KEARY ROAD ALLOTMENTS (p).

Please see the attached confidential report.

Recommended: To discuss and advise accordingly.



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