#### PARKS REPORT RLA – 21 March 2024

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Football pitches have been slitted using the tractor.

Footpaths have been edged.

Pile of tree cuttings that had been dumped have been cleared.

Fence repairs have been undertaken.

The cricket square has been cut.

#### Eagles Road:

Playground maintenance undertaken.

#### Heritage Park:

The knee-high wooden fence outside the Swanscombe Centre and around Craylands Car Park has been repaired and treated.

The meadow area has been strimmed in preparation of work being undertaken by Nort West Kent Country partnership (NMWKCP).

Logs from the broken tree branch in Spring Vale have been utilized and moved to the meadow area for use by NWKCP.

PRoW DS6 has been cut back and cleared.

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#### Knockhall:

The pitches have been slitted using the tractor.

Tree debris from the high winds/storm have been removed.

#### Manor Park:

The x3 replacement horse chestnut trees have been planted.

#### Swanscombe Park:

The fence around the tennis courts has been repaired / maintained.

The picket fence in the picnic area is being wood stained.

The external of the old toilet block has been painted.

The external of the small garage/shed by the memorial has been painted.

The interior of the garage by the bowls green has been painted.

x2 additional "No Dogs in this area" signs have been installed at the Community Garden and Picnic areas.

A broken tree branch at the Gunn Road end has been removed.

A new defibrillator has been installed in a heated cabinet on the side of the old toilet block (Park Road entrance).

The tennis courts are scheduled to be open for the Easter school holidays.

Preparation works to the bowls green are being undertaken.

 The Senior Groundsman / Gardener is concerned regarding the amount of time/resources being spent making repairs to damage caused by animals on the bowls green and is investigating the possibility of having an electric fence installed to deter this. A report on this will be submitted to the next meeting of the committee.

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#### Saxon Court:

The soft surfacing has been sprayed with anti-moss treatment.

#### Valley View:

The soft surfacing has been sprayed with anti-moss treatment.

The play equipment has been painted.

#### Equipment / Staffing:

Van BFK has passed its MOT.

The water pump on van LM18 has been fitted.

A new carburetor has been fitted to the spiker.

Van NJ63 is having its MOT on 13 March 2024.

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#### Miscellaneous:

Part of the internal walls at the Church Road Hall has been painted and the skirting board reattached.

The tree damaged in the high winds/storm at Spring Vale has been removed.

x9 lorry tyres fly tipped at Spring Vale have been collected/removed by Dartford Borough Council.

The knee rail wooden fence at the Council Offices has been treated.

x2 of the parks staff have attended a one-day Basic Tree Survey & Inspection course.

The Annual Play Area Safety Inspection took place on 29 February 2024.

X2 of the Parks Team undertook a one day Lantra Basic Tree Survey and Inspection course on 8 March 2024.

Recommended: To note.

#### **Graham Blew**

AGENDA ITEM 7.1

From:

Emma BenMoussa

Sent:

23 January 2024 16:09

To:

Graham Blew; Martin Harding

Subject:

Agenda Item

#### Afternoon guys

Please could I request an item be added to the next RLA agenda for discussion.

I am receiving casework from residents in Odell place as branches are falling from a tree in Broomfield Park. This tree is under the care of S&GTC so DBC are unable to prune it. I would like to request that DBC contractors are allowed to come and prune the tree safely.

nd regards

Emma

Sent from my Galaxy

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Priority				
Works required	None at present	None at present	None at present	None at present
Maturity Overall Observations		Minor deadwood and minor cavities. Cavity at base. Lacking a main root at that point. Trunk leaning to property to rear. Tree has been reduced in recent years.		Minor deadwood
Overall	Good	Fair	Good	Good
Maturity	Young	Mature	Mature	Mature
Spread Radius (m)	2	5.8	∞	9
Latin Name	Tilia europaea	Populus x canadensis	Fraxinus excelsior	Populus nigra 'Italica'
Common Name	Common Lime	Hybrid Black Populus x Poplar canadensi	Common Ash	Lombardy Poplar
Tree Id	37	38	39	40



expected life for the species. Mat = Final third of the expected life for the species. OM = Fourth Third of the expected life for the species ie Over Mature. Observations and Recommendations – Self explanatory. Significant deadwood = Dead wood greater than 50mm diameter and over 1 metre length. Works will be listed as Urgent: To be done as soon as practical. 3 Months: High priority works to be carried out within 6 months. Low Priority: to be done within 12 months. None = No works required, no target exists or is excluded. Inspection Frequency: will be governed by the level of Key: All measurements are estimated unless stated. Spread figures are approximate in metres. Age Class: (if used) NP = Newly Planted. Y = First Third of the expected life for the species. Med = Second Third of the The Survey is valid for one year. Severe weather or other events may require an risk and the Policy adopted. Where a Re Inspection is required within the normal schedule, it will be listed with a time frame. Interim inspections: These are required after periods of storm etc. No Action at Present = No Action required or specified. earlier inspection.

Steve Launchbury Dip.Hort. (Kew) R.F.S.Cert Arb. Tech. Cert. (Arbor A.) TechArbor A

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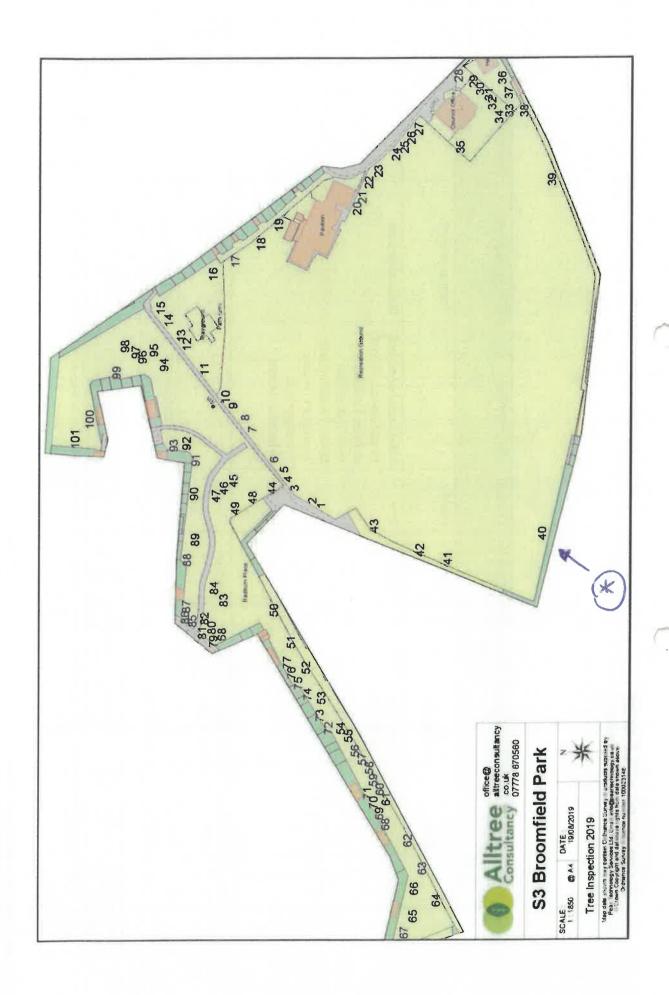
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#### TREE MANAGEMENT/PLANTING POLICY

(Reviewed by the Town council at its AGM 17 May 2023, minute 20/23-24)

#### BACKGROUND.

Trees, hedges, grass areas and ditches are an important part of both rural and urban landscapes.

#### They -

- Provide vital habitats and food for wildlife.
- Provide windbreaks in open areas.
- Reduce pollution by cleaning the air.
- Prevent flooding.
- Help control extremes of temperature next to buildings.
- Assist with deadening traffic noise and.
- Can provide psychological and health benefits as well as reducing stress.

In addition, with the current focus on 'Climate Change,' trees in particular play an important part in addressing this issue through the sequestration of carbon dioxide

Swanscombe and Greenhithe Town Council ('the Council') is committed to a long-term strategy of planting, protecting, retaining, improving, and developing the stock of trees, hedges, shrubs on land belonging to the Council and in addition will seek to improve the quality and quantity of trees and vegetation within the Town.

The Council may, where replacement of new planting is required, encourage the planting of appropriate native species and, where tree felling is necessary, strive to replace trees or hedging whips for each tree removed and place them in an appropriate location.

The Council will seek to encourage other land and property owners within the Town to adopt similar principles for the management of trees having consideration to wildlife and the whole community where possible.

#### INTRODUCTION.

This Tree Planting/Management Policy ('the Policy') is designed to be a framework for the management and planting of trees not only on land which the Town Council owns or manages but also on land within the Town boundary. The Policy will also inform the approach to Tree Surveys; consultations with businesses; assessment of Planning Applications and enquiries from residents.

The Council has a duty of care to ensure that work is not undertaken on protected trees within the Town without the appropriate permissions being sought.

The Council, as a consultee, will consider the impacts on trees and related ecosystems of any Planning Applications placed before it, including residential, commercial or highways and pathways applications (Traffic Regulation Orders).

#### TREE MANAGEMENT/PLANTING POLICY

(Reviewed by the Town council at its AGM 17 May 2023, minute 20/23-24)

#### SECTION A - TREE MANAGEMENT.

#### TREE MANAGEMENT PRINCIPLES.

A principle of English Common and Statute Law is that land and tree owners have a duty of care to visitors, residents, passers-by and even trespassers on their land. The Council has a statutory duty under several Acts of Parliament to ensure, **so far as is reasonably practical**, its trees are safe and not a danger to the public.

The Council will ensure that trees on land within its ownership, or management, are retained wherever possible and are given appropriate protection from the effects of commercial and residential development and construction activities, including installation of underground utilities, paths, and cycleways

The Council will avoid felling trees unless deemed necessary usually for health and safety reasons or to prevent the spread of serious tree diseases and pests. The Council will reserve the right to fell trees to enhance or maintain a habitat, to prevent overcrowding, to restore landscapes in line with a particular site-management plan or to remove a tree that is inappropriate to its location, and which has a significantly detrimental impact on the appearance or amenity of a site

The main principles adopted by the Council under this Policy are to: -

- retain trees wherever possible.
- assess trees on their likely risk to people and property with the assessment based on competent advice from a Qualified Arborist.
- set up a regular programme of inspections (Tree Surveys).
- identify trees that present the greatest risk, taking remedial action as necessary using fully qualified practitioners and where felling is recommended to ensure correct permissions are in place and that the tree has been assessed for protected wildlife.
- endeavour to undertake work outside of the period from 1<sup>st</sup> March to 31<sup>st</sup> August unless advised otherwise by a Qualified Arborist or it is imperative that such work is undertaken.
- notify nearby residents in advance where major tree works will take place adjacent to residential properties.
- ensure all tree work are carried out to the relevant British Standard for 'Recommendations for Tree Work'
- make clear the circumstances in which the Council will not consider remedial work (See 'Exceptions from Consideration for Remedial Works' below)

#### TREE MANAGEMENT/PLANTING POLICY

(Reviewed by the Town council at its AGM 17 May 2023, minute 20/23-24)

#### **EXCEPTIONS FROM CONSIDERATION FOR REMEDIAL WORKS.**

The Council will not, unless legally obliged to do so, consider undertaking remedial works to otherwise healthy and well-formed trees in the following circumstances –

- to create or reinstate private views.
- loss of light or shading of gardens, rooms, or solar panels or where the canopy is blocking light.
- due to the size or height of a tree (trees are naturally large organisms).
- trees and branches overhanging adjacent property, outbuildings, or gardens unless they pose a health or safety risk.
- reduced security by virtue of concealment or reduced visibility.
- alleged damage to property/gardens by roots or branches (direct or indirect).
- interference with transmitted signals (TV, satellite, cable or other forms of electronic communication or reception).
- interference with BT & electricity company services.
- during the bird breeding season unless work is required for urgent health and safety reasons.
- where a tree contains roosting bats unless work is required for urgent health and safety reasons.
- presence of vermin.
- in response to a natural event that does not pose a health and safety risk such as falling of matter such as nuts, shedding of leaf, seed, fir cone, twig, flower litter, fruit debris, general vegetative detritus, and wildlife/bird droppings.
- vandalism.
- dripping secretions such as honeydew or sap.
- hayfever/allergies.
- dampness, algae, moss, and fungal growth unless required for the health of the tree or surrounding trees.

#### TREE SURVEYS.

The Council will have in place a planned inspection programme which ensures the trees for which the Council has responsibility are inspected as often as is necessary. Inspections will be undertaken by a Qualified Arborist who is a suitably experienced and competent person to undertake Tree Surveys based on a 'risk assessment approach'.

Areas of land with Council managed trees will have Tree Surveys undertaken on a cyclical basis.

The Arborist will produce Tree Survey Reports which identify any actions that need to be taken and qualified Contractors will be sought to undertake the necessary remedial works.

Where necessary, during Tree Surveys, the Arborist will consider how the risk of accidents can be reduced and these will be identified in the Tree Survey Reports.

#### TREE MANAGEMENT/PLANTING POLICY

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#### TREE PRESERVATION ORDERS (TPO) & THE CONSERVATION AREA.

The Council will apply to Dartford Borough Council, as the Local Planning Authority, when remedial work is required on a tree which it owns that has a TPO or is in the Conservation Area.

#### LOCAL AUTHORITY POWERS.

Local Authorities have certain powers to deal with dangerous trees not on their land which overhang or affect the management of the road or land. The main highways and roads within the Town are owned and maintained by Kent County Council who will, if necessary, give notice to an owner of a tree or trees requiring them to cut or prune the tree(s); if the owner fails to comply the Authority may carry out the work and charge the owner.

#### ACCESS FROM PARISH LAND TO CUT TREES.

Where access from land owned by the Council is required by any person wishing to carry out work on trees owned/managed by that person permission to do so should be sought from the Council before any work commences.

#### NEIGHBOURING PROPERTIES - OVERHANGING BRANCHES FROM COUNCIL TREES.

Where a neighbour has concerns about branches of Council owned/managed trees overhanging their property they are required to contact the Council before attempting to undertake any work so that a dialogue can take place as, where work taken in isolation, the result can be an un-balanced tree which is not a desirable outcome. Although there is a legal right to trim overhanging branches, but only from within the adjacent property boundaries this can only be done if it does not have any detrimental effect on the tree and, the cut branches must be offered back to the Council. Any works requested must be undertaken by a Qualified Arborist approved by the Council and at the requestors' expense.

The Council will work with neighbours to resolve any problems associated with overhanging branches as there are often a variety of solutions the best of which will be sought by the Council for the individual tree in question especially as the tree may have been subject to a Tree Survey.

#### **UNAUTHORISED CUTTING OF TREES ON TOWN COUNCIL LAND**

Following the discovery of unauthorised tree works, an inspection would be undertaken by the Town Councils approved Tree Surgeon. The cost of the inspection, and any resulting works undertaken to ensure the health of the tree, would be invoiced to the person/s who undertook the original unauthorised works.

#### TREE MANAGEMENT/PLANTING POLICY

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#### SECTION B - TREE PLANTING.

Due to restrictions placed on the planting of trees on land which is in the ownership or management of a higher tier of Local Government all planting of trees by the Council will be limited to land under the ownership of the Council or any land leased to the Council provided that all required permissions have been obtained.

The Council will investigate available funding streams to finance tree planting.

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AGENDA ITEM 7.2

#### THE CONSIDETANT

RLA 21/3/24

From: Steve Launchbury <office@alltreeconsultancy.co.uk>

Sent: Friday, February 9, 2024 12:53 PM

To: Graham Blew <graham.blew@swanscombeandgreenhithetowncouncil.gov.uk>

Subject: RE: Spring Vale

Hi Graham

Typically the level of risk is low for all the sites.

The HSE quote on the web page

https://www.hse.gov.uk/foi/internalops/sims/ag food/010705.htm is '...the risk of being struck and killed by a tree or branch falling is extremely low (in the order of one in 10 million for those trees in or adjacent to areas of high public use)'.

A three-year cycle of inspections will be expected to catch the most serious of failures, BUT, failure of trees is dependent on many factors that are not possible to accurately predict.

The weather is a matter of probabilities as to where excess wind speeds may break or uproot even healthy trees.

Trees that have obvious faults that can be REASONABLY spotted by experienced and qualified inspectors can be noted and dealt with.

To manage your members expectations, trees give us many benefits with an extremely low overall risk of failure, much lower by orders of magnitude than for example, driving. I have heard it said that risk management on the roads for heavy lumps of metal hurtling towards each other, is often a matter of painting a white line to keep them apart!

While the risk for tree failure can't be entirely removed, we have a duty of care to ensure REASONABLE and PROPORTIONATE risk management.

Where there are increased concerns in any locality, as you suggested, a localised survey can be carried out, with pricing being appropriate to the task at the time.

For this reason, it is not practical to give potential future pricing for yet undefined areas to be surveyed.

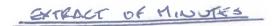
Hope that helps.

Kind Regards Steve





Steve Launchbury Dip.Hort (Kew) R.F.S.Cert Arb. Tech.Cert.(Arbor A.) TechArborA



#### 411/23-24. TREE SURVEY 2024 - SPRING VALE.

As members were aware, the Town Council are currently arranging for our periodic tree survey to be undertaken. Further to minute 381/23-24 the survey for Spring Vale was arranged to be completed as a priority.

Quotes are currently being sought to have the works undertaken and members were asked to delegate authority to the Town Clerk to have **all** the highlighted works undertaken using the best value quote received (subject to this being within the budget available).

#### **RESOLVED:**

- 1. That the results of the periodic tree survey 2024 for Spring Vale be noted.
- That, in accordance with Financial Regulation 4.1, the Town Clerk be delegated authority to have all the highlighted works undertaken using the best value quote received subject to this being within the budget available from the Financial Risk Assessments allocated to the periodic tree survey.
- 3. That the Recreation, Leisure and Amenities Committee be asked to consider the level of risk of the areas included in the periodic tree survey.





#### **Martin Harding**

## INSURANCE ADVICE

From:

Jonathan Meiseles

Sent:

21 February 2024 16:09

To:

Martin Harding

Subject:

Re: Advice on Trees

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#### Hi Martin

This question is often asked but normally it is the tree surveyors who need to give that recommendation. Some Councils do it every year, some every 2 or 3. A few do have every 5 years but it is not many.

I have seen some surveys giving this recommendation but not all. But obviously they would have an interest in how often so worth speaking to a few

Kind regards

Jonathan

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From: Martin Harding <rfo@swanscombeandgreenhithetowncouncil.gov.uk>

Sent: Wednesday, February 21, 2024 3:48:41 PM

To: Jonathan Meiseles

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Advice on Trees

#### Good afternoon Jonathan

We need some advice from an insurance perspective.

At present we manage 64 acres of open space and have the trees on land we manage surveyed at 5 yearly intervals.

This is a very expensive exercise and covers hundreds of trees across 10 specific locations across the Town.

As a Council we adequately budget for this but the question of frequency has arisen, and we wanted to find out what the insurance standard / expectation was in relation to having trees inspected.

Any advice you can give at this stage would be appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

#### The sites:

Spring Vale
Swanscombe Park
Manor Park (includes St Peter and St Pauls)
Broomfield
Craylands car park and Leisure Centre
Knockhall Recreation Ground
Valley View
Saxon Court
Eagles Road Play Area



# Video Kiosks Frequently Asked Questions

#### What is The Kent Money Advice Hub?

The Kent Money Advice Hub is a flagship Kent-wide project delivered by Citizens Advice organisations in Kent and supported by Kent County Council through its Helping Hands Scheme.

The project aims to help people who are struggling financially or need support to manage rising costs of living. The emphasis of the project is to provide alternative ways to access advice, to encourage people to access advice at an earlier stage, before they reach crisis.

The Kent Money Advice Hub provides access to advice via a video call at home (via www.kentmoneyadvicehub.com) or through our video advice kiosks located in public spaces.

#### Why was the service developed?

Many people in Kent are facing significant financial challenges because of the rising cost of living. It is recognised that the poorest and more vulnerable people in society are being hit hardest, but those on low and middle incomes are also struggling to adapt to the need to budget.

Unfortunately we know that many people struggling with their finances wait until they are facing crisis, such as bailiffs or eviction, before seeking help. The Kent Money Advice Hub has been developed to provide money advice in a more accessible way - with digital technology - for members of the public and community organisations to know how or where to access the help they need.

Being able to access advice in familiar surroundings, supported by people they trust, and being able to see their Adviser as they talk, can make all the difference to enabling those who would not usually seek support to take the first step to getting the help they need for financial stability.

#### Is the project continuing beyond March 2024, when the KCC-funded pilot comes to an end?

Yes, we're delighted that the pilot has been such a success, and shows such potential for expansion across the county that we will be continuing to develop and expand the video advice service across the county.

We have secured funding from UK Power Networks to provide the hardware costs to expand the network of video kiosks. We are gradually building our funding base for the advice-giving costs of the service from a

variety of sources and are continuing to identify new potential sources of funding, to ensure that we can grow our team of Advisers in-line with the kiosk expansion. This is essential to ensure we can meet demand and avoid long waits for clients as the service gets busier.

#### What advice service is available via the video kiosks?

Our fully-trained Citizens Advice Advisers will support people with any problem that they face, however we are particularly promoting the video advice kiosks for local people struggling financially with the rising costs of living.





Advisers will ask clients questions about their financial situation and give advice specific to them – this might include advice on claiming benefits, dealing with debts, energy advice, budgeting and money saving tips. They will help clients to take stock of the issues they are facing and work with them to take those next steps towards a more stable financial future.

The service is open Monday-Friday, 9am to 5pm.

#### How do the kiosks work?

The kiosks we use are standard tablets, set to a kiosk mode so they are straightforward to use, with no digital skills required. This also makes them easy and cost-effective for us to purchase, set-up and maintain – ensuring the local service is reliable and sustainable.

Video advice is a great way to enjoy the benefits of face-to-face advice, without the need to travel. It is safe, secure and private.

There's no need to book an appointment, just tap the kiosk, follow the instructions on the screen, and an Adviser will be with



#### What do clients think?

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Sometimes people need a little encouragement to give the kiosk a try – it is unfamiliar and people may be anxious about the technology or what the Adviser will say. However we have found that once supported to get started, feedback from clients about video advice has been universally positive. A few recent quotes from clients have included:

#### "That was awesome!"

"Thank you so much — the advice I was given was really helpful and the person I spoke to was very understanding. I'm very embarrassed to be in the situation I'm in, but she didn't judge me or make me feel like my decisions in the past have been bad. I will definitely come back again"

#### I'm interested in hosting a kiosk - how do I know if our location is suitable?

The video kiosk itself requires very little set up and can be fixed permanently to a wall or piece of furniture, or can remain mobile to enable it to be used in different places as desired and then packed away when not required. The only essentials are a strong internet connection (Wi-Fi or mobile data) and a supportive host space where local people can be made to feel welcome and comfortable to hold a private conversation with an Adviser.

We have found the most successful locations so far have been in public spaces where local people are already used to going, for example, community centres, foodbanks, churches and council offices, but we are open to anywhere you feel would work for your community!

Whilst the service is available Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm, you do not have to provide access to the kiosk for the full opening hours - many of our successful kiosk locations run 'virtual outreach sessions' where access is for more limited periods but visitors are supported by local volunteers to access the service.

If you would like to discuss a potential location, or to just find out more about the service, please email Helen Beckerson (Citizens Advice in North & West Kent) at helen.beckerson@nwkent.cab.org.uk

#### **Graham Blew**

From: Helen Beckerson <helen.beckerson@nwkent.cab.org.uk>

**Sent:** 06 February 2024 19:12

To: Graham Blew

Subject: Citizens Advice and The KCC Parish Council Winter Support Grant Scheme

Attachments: Dartford Letter.pdf; Video Kiosks FAQs.pdf

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#### Dear Parish Clerk,

Please find attached a letter and some further information from Citizens Advice in North and West Kent agarding our video advice kiosks, which might be of interest for your Parish to put forward to the KCC Parish ouncil Winter Support Grant Scheme (which is currently available to you for the benefit of local residents).

I do hope this is of interest, and please don't hesitate to contact me if you would like any further information or to discuss how we can support your Parish to access available funding from KCC.

Best wishes Helen

Helen Beckerson Operations Manager

Please note that I work Monday - Thursday







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# AGENDA ITEM 7.4

From: Adam French

Sent: Tuesday, February 13, 2024 9:59 AM

To: Steve Bell

Cc: Martin Harding; Christopher Butler; 'Kate Paxton'; Graham Blew

Subject: eply: 2: Site visit request: 12/00233/FUL - Ingress Community Centre

Hi Steve.

#### Please see below -

- Parking plan see attached which has been issued to the council
- Acoustic I am currently in discussion with an electrician about devices to address the planning condition being installed
- Bike / bin store will chase commercial for an update

Thanks,

#### Adam French

**Technical Director & Deputy Managing Director – Eastern** 

Crest Nicholson Eastern, Academy Place, 1-9 Brook Street, Brentwood, Essex, CM14 5NQ

From: Steve Bell

Sent: Tuesday, February 13, 2024 9:51 AM

To: Adam French >

Cc: 'Martin Harding'>; Christopher Butler >; 'Kate Paxton' >; 'Graham Blew' > Subject: Reply: 2: Site visit request: 12/00233/FUL - Ingress Community Centre

Importance: High

Hi Adam,

Further to the emails below, I have still not heard from you on this.

I would be grateful to hear from you as a matter of urgency.

Regards,

Steve

Steve Bell
Team Leader (Major Projects)
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### RECREATION, LEISURE & AMENITIES COMMITTEE 17 JANUARY 2024



#### 7.5. INGRESS PARK COMMUNITY CENTRE – UPDATE (p).

Further to the update provided to all Members at the full council meeting on 7 December 2023 (minute 321/23-24) a response has been received from Gareth Johnson MP (attached).

The Major Projects Team Leader (DBC) arranged a Teams meeting on 4 January 2024 between Senior Officers, the Environmental Protection Officer (DBC), Crest Technical Director and Crest Acoustic Consultant. Topics discussed at this meeting, and requiring action from Crest, included:

- Internal Acoustics (Conditions 10 and 11 of planning permission for DA/12/00233/FUL).
- Noise limiting device (Conditions 10 and 11 of planning permission for DA/12/00233/FUL).
- Bike / Bin Store (Conditions 14 and 15 of planning permission DA/12/00233/FUL).
- Additional Car Park.
- Letter from Development Director, Crest Nicholson Eastern, dated 20 April 2017.

Recommended:

That the update be noted.



#### 384/23-24. INGRESS PARK COMMUNITY CENTRE - UPDATE.

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Members discussed the update and Councillor Peter Harris requested that he be involved in the issues regarding internal acoustics.

Recommended:

That the update be noted.

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