

WEST KINGSDOWN PARISH COUNCIL

**Planning Committee and General purpose Committee meeting
to be held on Monday 13th November 2023
The Pavilion London Road at 7pm.**

Members of the Parish Council:

Cllr Watchorn (Chairman) Cllr I Bosley and Cllr P Bosley Cllr Gray, Cllr D King,, Cllr G Christie, Cllr Mrs M Richards, Cllr P Chalk, Cllr R Seal , Cllr McCarthy, and Cllr Bennett.

1.Apologies for Absence: Cllr King

2 Declarations of Interest:

3. Plans

SE/23/02559/FUL Lime Trees House, London Road

Proposal Demolition of existing property and garage. Demolition and reconstruction of the store building to form a new dwelling and construction of 3 more detached properties. Associated parking, landscaping with three new access. New low level wall, fence and gates.

SE/23/02963/OUT Land East Of Chirnside House London Road

Proposal Outline application for three Self and Custom House building plots with some matters reserved except access.

SE/23/02987/HOUSE: 12 Vernon Close

Erection of a double storey rear extension to include a pitched roof.

APPEALS

SE/23/00085/RFPLN Grove Farm The Grove

Outline application for the demolition/clearance of existing buildings and structures and the erection of up to three single-storey dwellings with all matters reserved except access.

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AGENDA**

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3.Correspondence

A.Chimmens Farm Solar Park

“I am writing on behalf of RES to provide an **update on our proposals for Chimmens Solar Farm on the land located between Horton Kirby and Fawkham.**

As you may be aware, during July we consulted on our preliminary design for solar development, including an exhibition on 10 July 2023, as well as printed information and details on our website: <https://chimmens-solarfarm.co.uk/>. We have reviewed all feedback received during the consultation period and progressed the design of our project. We are now aiming to submit our planning application to Sevenoaks District Council by the end of October 2023.

We will be keeping residents and stakeholders up to date as the application progresses through the planning process and regular updates will be available on our website. “

B. KCC Cycling and walking consultation

We are consulting on proposals for 30 new and improved walking, wheeling, and cycling routes and zones as part of a countywide Kent Walking and Cycling Infrastructure Plan (KCWIP).

The feedback we have received so far has been used to help identify and prioritise 15 walking and wheeling zones and 15 cycling routes, which will form the first version of the KCWIP. Feedback on these is essential in helping us finalise the plan.

Visit kent.gov.uk/KCWIP to view our interactive maps where you can drop a pin and add your comment. You can also find out more about the development of the KCWIP, complete the questionnaire or ask the team a question. The team are also holding three public events in November, details of which are on the website.

The consultation is open until 10 January 2024.

I have attached the consultation poster if you would like to share on your parish boards/social media

C. Letter from Mr Vining

Update for members a response from the Chair was sent to r Vining as agreed at the last Parish Council meeting

D. Christmas trees

Three, FREE ways to dispose of your real Christmas tree

There are lots of options available to recycle your real Christmas tree for free after this year's festivities have ended.

Option 1 – Sevenoaks District Council’s Garden Waste collection service (for permit holders only)

If you hold a Garden Waste collection permit, simply place the tree in or next to your green bin and we’ll pick it up on your usual collection days throughout January. We can take trees with a trunk of up to 90mm (3.5”) in diameter.

Option 2 – Take your tree to a local collection point

Take your tree to one of the District Council’s collection points, at the dates and times listed below, and they will take it off your hands. Sevenoaks District Council can take trees with a trunk of up to 90mm (3.5”) in diameter. Disposal of Christmas trees SD arrangements

Option 3 – Take your tree to a Household Waste Recycling Site

Take your tree to one of Kent County Council’s Household Waste Recycling Sites (informally known as the tip or the dump). They will take larger trees that are too big for Sevenoaks District Council to collect. Visit www.kent.gov.uk/recycling or call 03000 41 73 73 to book a slot.

4. Footpaths

SD271

Kingsingfield / Rushetts Road Encroachment of footpath SR271 a/b Members to discuss proposed Letter from KCC to Residents.

5. Gamecock By Laws

Byelaws will be tabled for Members hard copies available before the meeting for those wishing to collect copy attached for Members for discussion.

6. Burial Ground Memorial

An application has been received for a Memorial in the Burial ground - This application has been submitted previously but included an a headstone that wasn’t compliant with current rules and regs in the shape of an angel. Further applications have also been declined. The current application has been submitted and has now been altered to keep in line with Rules and Regs but includes a flat scroll on top. The flat stone meets the correct sizes but the fixed scroll on top would set a precedent. Members are asked to review this application. Copy of Rules and regulations attached for members reference

Application drawings to be presented on the night.

8. Handy man

Job advert for an odd job/handyman to be tabled for Members as raised at the Partish Council meeting, also discussed following the loss of the litter picker for the rear of the shops in the car park at the old coop site and the access road at the front of the shops. Members update re replacement as this is currently not being littered picked and swept.

9. Hever Road - Paving slabs

Quote received to replace the two squares left as earth following the removal of two trees outside the shops

Dig out two areas where the trees have come out please earth in skip sack. This would be placed at the contractor’s garden and not at the shops. Lay a subbase, laying paving slabs on concrete. Cutting of slabs to go against the kerb edge. Pointing of slabs. (Flagstones can cut slabs to right size. Total quote £1,105

10. Audit

Internal Audit – quarterly internal audit required Cllr Gray to Audit

11. Play safe

Report by Safe play have identified some medium risk items on the gym and skatepark and a quote for repairs has been received - Will be tabled for discussion

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12. Meetings

November / December dates

Finance Committee meeting : Monday 20th November : Pavilion London Road 7pm

Planning and Parish Council meeting : Wednesday 22nd November 2023 :Main Hall, St Edmunds Centre, School Lane 7.30pm

December Meeting – Only one meeting held in December

Planning and Parish Council meeting to be confirmed -

Wednesday 13th December at St Edmunds Centre

Or

Monday 18th December at Pavilion