

Shorne Parish Council

Borough of Gravesham



THE PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

May 2019

Parish Council Elections

The nominations for election to the Parish Council were uncontested, and the existing Parish Councillors who stood were automatically re-elected. Sadly, Russell Cooper decided not to stand for re-election. Russell had been an active member of the Parish Council for 7 years, and we shall miss his valued input and pragmatic advice.

This means that we have vacancy on the Parish Council, which we are seeking to fill by co-opting a suitable volunteer. It is important that all parts of the parish are represented, so we would particularly welcome applications from Thong or Lower Shorne, but that does not preclude applications from residents in other parts of the parish.

If you are interested in becoming a Parish Councillor for Shorne, or would like further information, please contact The Clerk, at 70 Colyer Road, Northfleet, DA11 8AY, or email your application to vacancy@shorneparishcouncil.org.

Check Your Hedges and Shrubs

Now that Spring has arrived, this is a good opportunity for residents to check to make sure that their hedges, bushes, and trees do not obstruct public footpaths, or interfere with sightlines on public highways. If your hedges or trees are reducing the width of public footpaths or overhanging roads, it is your responsibility to cut them back so that pedestrians are not obstructed, and roads are not narrowed, and visibility is not impaired.

Parish Assembly

This year's annual Parish Assembly took place on Thursday 18th April, and was attended by 25 local residents and representatives of local organisations, a significant improvement on previous years. The audience heard summaries of the achievements and issues affecting the parish over the previous year, including an update from Kent County Councillor Bryan Sweetland, together with news and reports from the principal clubs and local organisations.

Work will now begin on editing the individual reports into our Annual Report, which will be published and hand-delivered to all households in the parish later this year. If you would like to volunteer to help deliver the reports, please let us know.

Parish Council Meetings in May

Wednesday 15th May - Parish Council Annual General Meeting

(Please note that this meeting has been rescheduled from its original date of 16th May to avoid a conflict with the Borough Council Annual Meeting)

Thursday 30th May - Planning & Highways Committee

The meetings will commence at 7.45pm in the Committee Room in Shorne Village Hall.

Bob Lane
Chairman
Shorne Parish Council