

SEAL PARISH COUNCIL

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You are summoned to attend a next meeting of SEAL PARISH COUNCIL which will be held on Thursday 14th November 2024 at 7.30pm in Seal Pavilion on Seal Recreation Ground to transact the business shown on the agenda below.

Ten minutes parishioners question time

AGENDA

1. To receive apologies for absence – Mr R. Bourne
2. The minutes of the September 2024, October 2024 and EGM 18/9/24 to be agreed and signed.(These have been circulated)
3. Declarations of interest
4. Update on last month
The new litter bins on the recreation ground have been put in, Godden Green seat and has all been completed. The Zambra Way litter bin, we are still waiting for an update. The comments on the Hip had been returned to KCC Highways. They have sent us some results from traffic counts which will be looked at by the HIP working group. The residents survey on double yellow has still to be carried out in Zion Street. The mirror for Church Road, Stone Street had been ordered. An order has been placed for the play equipment repairs highlighted by ROSPA and work should be carried out imminently. The rubbish has been cleared from the hedging around the recycling centre and SDC have ordered a new larger litter bin, which should be installed shortly. The Action plan had been updated and circulated. The pavilion wi-fi has had to be changed to 3 networks, so it is a business account and can be paid by direct debit. We understand that prosecutions are taking place for the dumping of food waste at the recycling centre.
5. KCC and SDC Reports
6. The Office Photocopier
That was leased by the council is being returned to Siemens on the 15th November. As the contract was not due to finish until January 2026, the PC have had to pay a settlement figure. They have also had to pay ASL a collection charge both as shown on the cheque list.
7. CIL Payment
The Parish Council have received a new CIL payment from SDC totalling £13,875.47.
Part A payment of £8325.28 can be spent on the following:-

- i) The provision. Improvement, replacement, operation or maintenance of infrastructure or
- ii) Anything else that is concerned with addressing the demands that development places on an area.

Part B payment of £5550.19 can be spent on the provision, improvement, replacement, operation or maintenance of infrastructure only.

8. **Victim Support** have contacted us regarding a donation. We supported them last year and gave a donation of £250.

9. To cut back undergrowth – Seal Recreation Ground

The Clerk had been asked earlier this year, to obtain a price from our mowing contractors to carry out cutting back on the east side of the recreation ground. To give the path that runs from the pavilion to Wibble Way its full width back. The cost would be £890.00 plus Vat. Councillors to decide if they want to go ahead.

10. Greensand Way Ranger

SDC are at last in the process of advertising for a ranger to work 3 days a week with volunteers on Greensand Commons. The areas include, Bitchet Green, Fawke Common and Seal Chart.

11. New PROW map for Godden Green

As you are aware we have been trying to get a replacement map for the PROW noticeboard. The Ramblers have been working with KCC and produced a new draft map and they would like our comments. A copy of the new map has been circulated, for consideration.

12. Accounts and Cheques

13. **Seal Christmas Tree** will be put up on Friday 29th November. A big thank you to Edward Oatley and his team for overseeing this.

14. Planning

Planning minutes to be noted from 10th October 2024.

15. **Update on the Administration of the Council by Mrs Stiasny.** A report has been circulated by Mr Bourne on P.O box etc.

16. Councillors email addresses

A few Councillors are reporting problems, as they are not receiving emails on their SPC email address.

17. Back dated pay increase from 1st April 2024 for the previous Clerk.

The Finance Chairman, Mr Michaelides proposes “That in line with the statutory termination agreement, the previous clerk Mrs Boland receives the salary increase now awarded by NALC backdated to 1st April 2024”.

18. Information Only

The next full council meeting will be held on Thursday 9th January 2025

Mrs L Talbot - Acting Proper Officer

8thNovember 2024