

AGENDA

For the Icklesham Parish Council Meeting, Monday 12th March 2018 at the Icklesham Memorial Hall commencing at 7:15pm.

1. **The Chairman will invite members of the public to comment or ask questions on any matters relating to the business of the Council (15 minutes.)**
2. **To receive reports and ask questions of the County Councillor Keith Glazier and Rother District Councillors concerning County Council and Rother District Council matters (10 minutes.)**
3. **Apologies for absence.**
 - a. To receive and record apologies for absence.
 - b. To consider any requests for approval of reasons for absence, if any.
Members are also asked to complete and sign the circulated sheet.
4. **Disclosure of Interests** - to receive any disclosure by members of personal interest required under the Council's Code of Conduct and to consider any written requests made by members for dispensation to allow them to participate in, and vote on, an agenda item for which they have a disclosable pecuniary interest. Members are reminded a) to repeat their declaration immediately prior to commencement of the item in question and b) complete the declaration of interests form.
5. **To consider and approve the signing by the Chairman of the attached minutes of the Council meeting of 12th February 2018 and to note the draft minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of 5th March 2018.**

Matters Requiring a Decision by the Council

6. **Data Protection Officer Service.** The legislative changes in May will require Parish Councils to have an independent Data Protection Officer. SSALC cannot recommend any providers at present but the Local Council Public Advisory Service offers this (and an enhanced package for £150 per year.) The Clerk recommends using this service and has attached full details.
7. **Icklesham Summer Fete and Flower Show.** The Icklesham Trusts seeks permission to hold their annual event at the recreation ground on Saturday 4th August 2018; the Clerk recommends approval subject to the usual conditions.
8. **Consultations.** The following consultations have been received and the Clerk seeks members views:
 - a) Review of Local Government Ethical Standards – closes 18th May 2018.
 - b) Traffic Sensitive Streets, East Sussex County Council (ESCC) – closes 23rd March 2018.
9. **ESCC Grass Cutting Savings.** Please see the attached email dated 16th February 2018. The County Council will be reducing the amount of urban grass cuts from six to two from 1st April 2018. They have proposed two options for members consideration:
 - a) To make a financial contribution of around £1,144 per annum to us to make our own cutting arrangements or;
 - b) To charge in the region of £2,289 per annum for additional cuts.The Clerks recommends option a) above.
10. **Temporary Road closure of Dogs Hill Road, permission to divert traffic to Smeatons Lane.**
Please see the attached email dated 5th March 2018 from Hire-A-Lite UK Ltd who is seeking permission to divert traffic on to Smeatons Lane for approximately three days in June for Openreach works. The Clerks recommends caution on the basis that this single lane is not suitable for heavy traffic and that if permission is granted then a traffic control system is installed; the road is repaired at their cost following the diversion and that the company leaflets householders to notify them of the works.
11. **Football at Icklesham Recreation Ground.** At the end of February the Institute of Groundsmanship surveyed all of the parish recreation grounds as part of Football Association Pitch Improvement Programme; their full report is expected by the end of March. The officer recommended that all matches at Icklesham be suspended until further notice due to the poor (waterlogged) state of the ground; play will damage the ground and be unsafe for players. The Clerk recommends suspending play until April when the matter will be considered by the Open Spaces Working Group including arrangements for future ground inspections.

12. Financial Matters

- a) **Receipts and payments** report for February 2018 - enclosed.
- b) To approve **items for payment** in March 2018. A list of payments will be tabled.

Matters for Information or Noting

- 13.** To note the email from Mr Rupert Clubb of ESCC about the way forward with the Libraries Strategic Commissioning Strategy dated 26th February 2018.
- 14.** To note the **Planning Committee** minutes of 12th and 26th February 2018.
- 15. Programme of Works** for February. An updated list will be tabled. Council is asked to note progress.
- 16. Correspondence.** Email from Mr John Collins of RDC; he will be leaving RDC on the 8th April 2018 and the new Monitoring Officer will be Lisa Cooper. Any late received correspondence will be tabled.
- 17. Reports of Councillors and Officers on Outside Bodies and Attending Events.**
- 18. Future meetings or events.** The Staffing Working Group (all councillors) is on Monday 26th March 2018 after the Planning Committee at the Court Hall. A meeting of the Open Spaces Working Group will be arranged for April and the Allotments Committee will meet on the 23rd April 2018.
- 19. Date and venue for next meeting.** The next full council meeting is confirmed as Monday 9th April 2018 at the Winchelsea New Hall commencing at 7:15pm.