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Farningham Parish Council met via a video link on Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> January 2021, and present were six parish councillors (including Sevenoaks District Councillor Philip McGarvey), Kent County Councillor Roger Gough and the Clerk Amanda Barlow.

### **Covid Vaccination Centres:**

An internet link is available for the latest news on the vaccination programme for COVID-19 virus and this is [www.kentandmedwayccg.nhs.uk](http://www.kentandmedwayccg.nhs.uk) Sevenoaks District Council Health and Communities Manager Kelly Webb issues regular updates on the pandemic and we will continue to post these on our Facebook page. For those without internet access, Kelly Webb can be contacted by telephone, 01732 227474.

### **Electric Vehicle Charging point:**

The Parish Council's proposal to take advantage of a KCC grant for the installation of an Electric Vehicle charging point was discussed again. The grant is dependent upon the installation being placed on community land, and we proposed that the installation be in the car park belonging to Farningham Parish Council at Farningham Village Hall. We polled all Parishioners on our circulation list last September and a significant majority of respondents were in favour of the project. The Village Hall Committee is unfortunately not in favour, however, and very reluctantly therefore we feel it inappropriate to continue with the project. We will however continue to look for future similar opportunities that may be viable.

### **Council tax:**

As indicated at our last meeting, there will be no increase in the parish council share of Council Tax for 2021/22 and a Band D household will remain unchanged at £70.17 each.

### **Updates from Kent County Council:**

KCC, with considerable support from Army Logistics, have been able to make impressive strides into a programme to test people across the county who may be asymptomatic with the COVID-19 virus. Over 50,000 people had been tested by the second week in January, an average of 17,000 a week. Recent heavy rain had put pressure on the newly installed flood prevention scheme in Eynsford Road and Cllr Gough confirmed the continued huge improvement. While the proposed traffic survey in the High Street has been delayed until the end of February we continue to consider our options to try and slow the traffic through this area and into London Road.

### **Frequent updates:**

If you would like more frequent updates from Farningham Parish Council they are available on Facebook, Twitter or by email. To receive email updates, please complete the sign up box at the foot of the home page [www.farninghamparishcouncil.org](http://www.farninghamparishcouncil.org)

The Facebook link is [www.facebook.com/farninghampc](https://www.facebook.com/farninghampc) and Twitter @FarninghamPC

Our next meeting is on Wednesday, 3rd February, 2021, 7pm on Zoom. The Zoom information is included on the Agenda on the website or please contact the Clerk for details.

Cllr. Carol Salmon