



FARNINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL - Clerk to the Council: Position vacant.
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Farningham Parish Council met on Wednesday 12th January 2022 in the Shand Hall. Present were 6 Parish Councillors, including Cllr Philip McGarvey (SDC District Councillor) and Cllr Roger Gough (KCC County Councillor) and a member of the public.

We would like to wish you all a Happy and Healthy New Year.

County Councillor

Cllr Gough advised that KCC Highways have agreed to review the current 40 mph signage on the A20 to ensure there are the correct number of repeaters along the stretch.

The Parish Council again asked for Cllr Gough to request discussion with KCC Highways on a pedestrian crossing around the area of Farningham High Street across the A225 Eynsford Road to White Post Hill. This has been turned down on many occasions due to sight lines, but we would like to visit this topic again.

20mph Speed Limit

FPC have completed an informal consultation for comments on reducing the speed limit in Farningham High Street to 20mph. Once the responses have been assessed, we can see if there is sufficient interest to make representations to Kent County Council to have a formal consultation before it can be adopted. We continue to engage with KCC on improving road safety in other areas of the village too, particularly the A20/A225/White Post Hill/Beesfield Lane junctions and A20/London Road junction.

Open Spaces

The Parish Council are waiting to receive the SDC grass cutting schedule. If necessary we will agree interim cuts during the summer.

After a survey of residents in Oliver Crescent, one of the Councillors met with SDC to discuss the installation of permanent goal posts on the green. We have taken SDC advice for suggested placement and are getting quotes.

New Postal Address

The Parish Council have a new postal address, using a PO Box number. This means that whenever we have a change of Clerk, anybody corresponding with us via letter will not have to be notified of a new address. Please see the new details above.

Dog Fouling (Again)

It has been reported by many residents that there has been an increase in the amount of dog mess not being cleared up on the pavements around the village. Please respect others and ensure you take 'poo bags' with you when walking your dog and **USE THEM**. These little sacks can then be put into any public rubbish bin in the village or taken home to go in household rubbish.

Post COVID Village Event

On Saturday 4th June residents of Eynsford and Farningham are coming together to celebrate our wonderful community spirit. During the day a good old fashioned village fete is planned in Eynsford Castle Moat, with stalls, games, cakes and tombola.

In the evening there will be a music event on Harrow Meadow showcasing local bands and headliner. It won't finish too late and will be a good knees up. **THIS WILL BE LIMITED AND ENTRY BY TICKET ONLY.** This is only for residents of BOTH villages and you **MUST** register your interest to Naomi Morgan-Wintour via EPC (info@eynsfordparishcouncil.org.uk) or contact EPC office. **PLEASE SEE FURTHER DETAILS ON OUR WEBSITE, but make sure you register to attend.**

The next meeting of Farningham Parish Council will be on Wednesday 2nd February at 7.00pm in the Shand Hall (next to the Church). Members of the public are welcome and due to current quick changes in regulations, we would recommend you contact us using details above if you wish to attend.

Best wishes

Daryl Burns - Vice Chair FPC