

Date: 5th July 2018

Title: Report Item 5 – Business in Progress

By: K Larkin (Parish Clerk)

Purpose: To provide an update on progress since the June meeting

Recommendations: To note the progress report

The following are matters of report arising from the June council meeting:

- **Insurance** – the invoice from WPS has been received and paid. The new policy has been in place from 1st June onwards
- **Standing Orders and Financial Regulations** – these are being tidied up and will then be published on the website
- **GDPR Policy and Privacy Notice** – these are being tidied up and will then be published on the website
- **New PC Website** – Cllr Hookham and Cllr d’Urso have this in hand
- **Grants** – all applicants have been notified and most of the grants have been paid. The Eastbourne RNLI, the council’s Charity of the Year, has proposed a formal presentation at their base in Sovereign Harbour.
- **Emergency Plan** – the Appendices containing contact details etc. are being updated. A resource pack also needs to be obtained and stocked.
- **Fireworks** – MK/PH will report any update
- **Additional litter bin** – Wealden District Council has advised that if an additional bin is installed (at the East Dean bus stop north side of A259) there will be a collection charge. The amount of the charge is to be confirmed.
- **Unauthorised use of village car park** – there is already a picture sign of a camper van with a red line through it on the regulations sign in the centre of the car park. WDC suggest that if an extra sign is wanted at the main gate there will need to be consultation with the Gilbert Estate, and WDC will not pay for another wooden sign. They suggest as an alternative that one of the Community Officers can visit and move the campers on, if the PC can provide information as to any days when campers are most likely to be there.

The following are matters of report arising from previous council meetings:

- **Tree dossier** - work has begun
- **Banking mandate** - yet to be updated
- **Gore Farm Close landowners** – yet to be consulted about access to the shopping precinct
- **Outstanding highway matters** - there are a number of outstanding matters on which ESCC/Costain have been requested to send an update and/or take action. These include: update on the installation of additional yellow lines; clearance of the gully pot on the A259 opposite the entrance to Micheldene Road; contact with Costain to establish the cost of

installing bollards on the highway verge at locations vulnerable to anti-social parking. Another outstanding matter is the parish's application for Community Match funding for the Friston Build-out: it is not clear if the scheme has been put on hold. ESCC has been asked to confirm. There is a substantial amount of money in the parish's budget for the project (£6,000).

- **Electric fence** – ESCC Rights of Way was asked some while ago to advise whether the amount of power going through the electric fence at the junction of Footpaths 10b, 10c, and 11 is excessive. A reminder has been sent.
- **Diseased elms** – the work was finally done on 18th June. The ESCC Tree Officer has explained that it has taken this long for highways to give an appropriate date. His original target for the beginning of the month was rejected.
- **Weed spraying on verges** – East Dean and Friston is on the ESCC schedule for 4 July 2018. Residents are reminded to keep pets away from affected verges.