

Streat Parish Meeting

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Neighbourhood Plan. The Independent Examiner has completed his examination of the Neighbourhood Plan and has concluded that subject to some minor modifications, the Neighbourhood Plan can proceed to referendum, which is expected to take place in April. All registered voters in the three parishes will be entitled to vote, and the result will be on the basis of a simple majority. The examiner's report can be viewed at <https://www.southdowns.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/Independent-Examiners-Report.pdf>

Rectory Barn. As requested at the last Streat Parish Meeting, the Chairman has written to the PCC and has attended a PCC meeting. The PCC are now fully aware of the feelings of the residents of Streat regarding the funds, but there is no indication at present that they will be acted upon.

The PCC are also progressing with plans to improve Streat Church with the installation of a toilet and small kitchen. They are waiting for approval from the Diocesan Advisory Committee and will make the plans public after that. No indication has been given as to any other works which might be undertaken to make the church appropriate for community and other activities.

Traffic. The Committee members are working closely with Westmeston Parish Council who are keen to implement traffic calming measures in Spatham Lane following a nasty accident in the autumn. The Committee wish to ensure that these measures do not have a knock on effect on traffic in Streat and are interested to see how successful the measures will be. Committee members are also working with representatives from other local councils and East and West Sussex to consider traffic issues in the wider area.

The police only record very serious traffic accidents and so it would be helpful in our discussions if you would let the Parish Clerk know of any traffic incidents that happen in the parish.

Planning Matters. It has been quite quiet on the planning front; since the Parish Meeting in October the following planning applications have been considered or determined:

LW/17/0594 St Helena Farm, St Helena Lane, Plumpton. Section 73A retrospective application for change of use from B1 to B8 (storage). Application withdrawn.

LW/17/0596 St Helena Farm, St Helena Lane, Plumpton. Section 73A retrospective application for change of use from B1 to B2 for use as a commercial kitchen. Application withdrawn.

LW/17/0913 Hortons, Hemsleys Lane, Streat East Sussex BN6 8SB. Change of use from barn/piggery and cattle byre to form two units of residential accommodation. The Committee made the following comment on behalf of Streat PM : Streat PM does not object in principle to this application but is concerned that the altered position of the right of way will detract from the pleasantly rural nature of the footpath. It will cross along the front of the house and its new garden, before crossing the sand school, presumably very close to the eastern wall of the two storey new building. Decision awaited.

SDNP/17/04874/PRE Blackberry Wood Streat Lane Streat East Sussex BN6 8RS. Permanent siting of a "George Clarkes Amazing Spaces" structure and two earthbank houses, wardens accommodation static caravan to be replaced with a touring van and awning with a log cabin sectional building approximately 9m x 9m. This application was to seek pre-application advice from SDNP. A full planning application is expected to be submitted.

SDNP/17/05311/HOUS Streat Place, Streat Lane, BN6 8RU. Erection of 2 bay car shelter. The Committee registered no objection. Decision awaited.

Defibrillator. A defibrillator has been installed in the porch of Streat Church. It is for public use and is available 24/7. It is portable and easy to use. Simply press the button and follow the instructions.

Household Waste Recycling Consultation.

East Sussex County Council is looking to make more savings in preparation for more cuts in council funding from the Government in the future and they need to save around an extra £47 million by 2021.

The county's waste service runs our 12 Household Waste Recycling Sites where 66,000 tonnes of waste and recycling are taken yearly.

It costs nearly £10 million a year to run the sites and to recycle the material received at these sites. Savings have already been made since 2014 by reducing opening days at three of our 12 Recycling Sites to three days a week. ESCC now need to save an extra £720,000 from the Council's waste budget during 2018 to 2019. They will be consulting on the following options:

- charge for certain waste types at our Recycling Sites that are not 'household waste', i.e. rubble, soil, plasterboard, tyres and asbestos
- To close the part-time Recycling Sites at Forest Row and Wadhurst
- To change Recycling Site opening hours to better suit demand

- To work with charities to reduce the amount of waste they currently deliver.

Providing that ESCC cabinet members agree the budget, the online survey will be available in the link below from 7 February 2018 until 1 May 2018:

<https://consultation.eastsussex.gov.uk/>

Date for next meeting. The Annual and Ordinary Parish Meetings will be held on Tuesday 10th April 2018 at 8pm. The venue is to be confirmed.

Contact Details. Please visit us at www.hugofox.com/community/streat-parish-meeting-7947/about-us.

We send out information to villagers by e-mail wherever possible. To be included in our mailing list, which would help a lot, please contact Liz Bennett, streat.pm@btinternet.com

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