

# RINGWOULD WITH KINGSDOWN PARISH COUNCIL

## Report from the Clerk

### Agenda item 007/22

#### a) Decisions

21/01620	Ship House The Leas Kingsdown	Erection of a single storey front extension <b>Granted 16/12/2021</b>
21/01613	The Chalet Claremont Road Kingsdown	Erection of a two storey side/rear extension with balcony and glass balustrade, a first floor roof extension, insertion of 6 no rooflights, solar panels on roof slope, erection of a detached double garage, extension of driveway for additional parking with entrance gate (existing garage to be demolished) 22-Dec-2022

#### b) Applications

21/01869	Site At Cedar Lea Victoria Road Kingsdown	Variation of condition 2 of MH planning permission DOV/21/00055 to allow a change of external material from render to fibre cement weatherboarding - Marley Cedral Cream White C07 (application under S73)
21/01881	1 Hope Bay, The Leas Kingsdown	Variation of Condition 2 AT (approved plans) and 3 (materials) to allow minor changes to materials and walls of planning permission DOV/14/00176 (application under Section 73)
21/01886	White Farm Stables Ringwould Road Kingsdown	Conversion of agricultural AMM buildings to 3no. residential dwellings with detached garages, summer house and associated landscaping (existing agricultural/equestrian buildings to be demolished)

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Various and many KALC & NALC	Covid-19, cyber security, updating opportunities. Training Forwarded as required
Dover District Council	Planning applications and decision notifications. On agenda
Various emails between Clerk & Councillors asking various questions. Requests for items on the agenda	Replies and actions as required.
Emails from residents.	Various queries Replied as required.
Email from H Waller, Via the Chairman PROW's	On agenda under Clerks report
T Oku & Leaf Tree	Tree works Under Clerks report
Community Warden	No report as at 01/01/2021

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### Clerks Report and Updates

#### Agenda Item 009/22

##### PC Office.

The heating is now installed and it is working well, this will be the last update on the office, except to say that it is open on a Monday from around 11.30. However, this does depend on traffic volumes as coming from Aldington it is a journey of 40 to 45 minutes under normal conditions. If you wish to attend the office, it would help if you could make an appointment, but I understand this is not always possible.

##### Internet issues

Has been working well since the repair to the cable, there will be no further updates for this issue.

##### Policies.

There have been no further policies yet.

##### Open Spaces, Land owned by the Parish Council

A lot of the land owned by the PC needs to have work done to improve its usefulness. Much of the work involves tree work. At the December meeting, an amount of £5,000 was authorized so that any tree work can be agreed by the Clerk, Chairman and Vice Chairman; this will mean it will be done in a timelier manner.

Leaf Tree is a local company and these have been used over the years to carry out work and wherever possible these will be the preferred company to contact. They offer value for money and understand the urgency that is sometimes required.

##### Public Rights of Way, other paths and pavements

Some of you will have seen that the pavement opposite Church Lane to the bus shelter and beyond has been cleared, this has provided extra width that is now usable, making it much safer for the many people that use the bus.

It is hoped that the pavement opposite, which has the same health and safety issue, where undergrowth has encroached the pavement, can be improved as well.

##### Allotments

The 2 unused large allotments have now been cleared of the undergrowth; However, there are overgrown trees on the edge of the plots and these need to be reduced in height to make the plots usable. It is hoped that this work will be carried out soon.

The metal allotment markers have been ordered and awaiting delivery, due to some confusion, this has been delayed and they will now arrive in the new year.

##### Toilets.

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It has been highlighted to me via an email that these have become overgrown in the area. This work is still outstanding, although it is hoped that this will be cleared soon.

### Staffing

There has been one applicant for the role of village caretaker. This will be discussed later in the meeting

### Defib at Kingsdown Village Hall.

Hopkins Ltd, have put in place a defib on loan, until such times that the battery that has been ordered arrives. (email from Ken forwarded to members). The replacement battery is still awaited, and Hopkins Ltd continue to supply a defib until this arrives and is fitted.

### Communication

The Clerk was invited to take tea with the Tea and chat group on 6<sup>th</sup> January. It was a very enjoyable get together. The Chairman also attended.

It is hoped that these events can be attended by either the Chairman or the Clerk. If you think of anything that you would like raised at a council meeting, do let us know. The issue can be placed on the next available agenda.

### Village signs

Just before Christmas, Rod at Black Forge Art who is making the village signs had to go into hospital. I have sent an email asking for an update on both signs; that is the one for Ringwould and one for Kingsdown.