

Date: 1st June 2017

Title: Report Item 12 – Correspondence

By: K Larkin (Parish Clerk)

Purpose: To report on correspondence received since the May meeting

Recommendations: To note the report

The following items of correspondence have been received since the May council meeting:

- **Tern TV** – there is to be a new series of Britain at Low Tide and the team will be investigating the shaft base at Birling Gap. They have asked for information about Parson Darby and have been put in touch with the Local History Group for help. The programme will be screened on Channel 4, probably in November
- **Wealden District Council** – on 17 May Wealden launched a new personalised online portal. This will enable residents to make contact for a range of services e.g. to report that their bin was missed (alongside other waste enquiries); request removal of graffiti; report pollution; report property name change; register an address and more. Register your account at <http://my.wealden.gov.uk>
- **The Cricket Club** – the Club proposes to put up two temporary signs on the roadside during matches to warn passers-by to beware of cricket balls. It is suggested that similar signs be put up at the play area.
- **Abandoned bike** – following a report from members of the public, an abandoned bike in Gilberts Drive has been reported to Operation Crackdown. **Update:** the abandoned vehicle report has been re-assigned to a new local authority for investigation. The new case reference is LE348409. The local authority has inspected the vehicle.
- **East Sussex Against Scams Partnership** – all local councils are invited to sign up to a Charter to signal their commitment to raising awareness about the impact of scams upon East Sussex residents. Activities such as sharing relevant messages in emails or newsletters, or by displaying posters, would be sufficient commitment for the council to be listed on the Charter. Would EDFPC wish to be listed? As a further step, the council could consider organising a 1 hour 'Friends Against Scams' awareness session, to be provided by ESCC's Safer East Sussex Team.
- **Mr & Mrs P Crowley** – residents strongly object to the proposed installation of a mobile phone mast on the A259 near the Wenthill twitten. Background information on the health hazards caused by mobile phone masts has been supplied. The installation would also spoil the appearance of the area.

- **Mr D Littlewood** – also strongly objects to the proposed phone mast, and to the suggestion that it be placed closer to the back of the verge, leaving pedestrians closer to the carriageway on a fast road. Pedestrians should be protected. Mr Littlewood supports the view that the mast would be a health hazard as well as spoiling the appearance of the area.
- **East Dean Responders** – the Trustees and Responders have thanked the parish council for choosing EDR as its Charity of the Year 2017-18.
- **East Sussex Highways** – all remaining safety issues on Jevington Road were repaired on 31 May. The Steward has subsequently done an inspection and no new safety issues have been identified.
- **Mr Lewis Edwards** – an old concrete litter bin which remains in the upper part of the village car park is still being used (and emptied by WDC) but is frequently overflowing. The parish council is requested to replace the bin with one of the new type. This would incur an extra collection charge on a regular basis.
- **‘Ownerless’ land** – following an enquiry from residents it has been established that a seemingly ownerless piece of land adjacent to Footpath 19 and to No. 100 Micheldene Road is in fact registered with the Land Registry and the names of the owners are known.

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