

Date: 03 December 2020

Title: Report Item 8 – Business in Progress

By: K Larkin (Parish Clerk)

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

Recommendations: To note the progress report

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

- Maintenance of trees in Went Lane – residents have been advised of the findings of the council's Land Registry search. The Went Lane verges are privately owned and maintained.
- Eastbourne Silver Band – a donation of £25 has been paid to the Band who kindly supplied a cornet player for Remembrance Day
- Election costs - the breakdown of costs for contested and uncontested elections supplied by Wealden District Council has been circulated to all members
- Consent for alteration to scorer's hut – the Hon. Solicitor is in correspondence with the Gilbert Estate
- Licence for fish and chip van – the council is ready to proceed when the prospective licensee is ready
- Signing/checking documents – the Chair has signed all outstanding minutes. Cllr Hill is to receive PDF's of all invoices for checking against bank statements
- Mowing contract 2021, 2022, 2023 – the three contractors who expressed an interest in tendering have been advised of the likely timetable for the issue of the specification and receipt of tenders
- Donation to Citizens' Advice Bureau – the CAB has been advised of the donation but has not yet responded to a request for bank details.
- Churchyard maintenance – the council's maintenance grant for 2020/21 has been paid and acknowledged with thanks by the Parochial Church Council, who will reserve it for churchyard maintenance purposes only.
- Fly tipping in Downs View Lane - a report has been sent to Eastbourne Borough Council but has not yet been acknowledged
- Warning sign for Dene Close – residents have been advised that the parish council has no objection in principle to them providing a sign at their own expense, but would like to see what is proposed before giving final approval.
- Fish and chip van – the prospective vendor has made an application to Wealden District Council for a food certificate. The parish council's Hon. Solicitor has advised on the terms of the council's permission for the Downlands Way precinct to be used for local sales.

