Agenda Item 19 - Oct Meeting

Litter Bin for Greensward

We have received an application from Jonathan Timberlake from the Greensward Company as follows:

I am writing on behalf of the Directors of the East Dean Greensward Company (EDGL), which owns and manages the Greensward on the Downlands Estate (see https://edfra.org.uk/the-greensward-company/).

We have just received funding from the Residents' Association to purchase a picnic table with benches, similar to those outside the Tiger Inn, to be placed at the southern end. This is intended to help make the Greensward more accessible and usable for families and other residents.

One issue that has been raised concerns possible litter and rubbish. At present there is a dog waste bin situated about halfway up the Greensward, which is emptied regularly by Wealden Council under agreement with the Parish Council. But we obviously would like to distance the picnic table from it and try and keep dogs and children separate.

Would it be possible for the Parish Council (or Wealden Council) to site a standard rubbish bin (as at the various bus stops and around Friston Green) at the southern end of the Greensward and get it emptied regularly under the same agreement that the Parish Council currently has with Wealden? Otherwise there is a risk that rubbish will build up with no mechanism for its removal.

As you may know, EDGL has no resources of its own and relies on the Parsh Council and the Residents' Association for funding of management and any activities.

We hope the Parish Council can look at this request favourably, and help us encourage residents to use this valuable parish asset more.

The Greensward has an unspent budget of £1438 for the 2025/26 year. Standard Bin (rather than combined dog bin/litter bin required.

Plastic Litter Bins | Wybone show suitable capacity bins at prices from £180-400 plus fitting

Proposal: To consider purchase and fitting of a new bin for the picnic area. If approved, the bin will be added to WDC bin rota.

Phil Burgess

Clerk to East Dean and Friston