

Report for Bersted Parish Council

Report by Cllr. Susan Bence

Date: 9th April 2019

Since 18th March the council have been in purdah. As a result there have been no meetings to speak of except those which have to be held, such as Development Control and Licensing and Enforcement.

I have had several meetings with residents over the last few weeks regarding issues which hopefully I will follow up next term.

I had a long meeting last week with a resident in Markfield regarding the rife at the rear of his property. I am currently liaising with the Drainage Engineers at ADC to try and push the Environment Agency to take some action in relation to the issues currently being experienced by the resident. I am following this up over the next few weeks and hopefully as I have already said into the next term.

I recently met and spent some time with a resident on the Marigolds Park Home site. She has some concerns relating to correspondence received from Arun District Council and other authorities. I have given her my best advice and I will follow up the current issues in the next term.

There are several issues arising from time to time on the Mulberry Fields site. As they arise I am liaising with residents and Environmental Services at ADC. The latest was relating to the dust being produced by the vehicles exiting the site. Environmental Health have visited the site and I am awaiting their findings.

As late as yesterday, as I am sure you are all aware. Sue the Deputy Clerk emailed me with details of the contamination in the ditch to the rear of the Mulberry Fields site. I contacted the Environmental Health Department at ADC to see if there was any immediate action ADC could take but I was informed that it is the Environment Agency that has to deal with this issue. Environmental Health and the ADC Engineers department phoned the Environment Agency to try and put some pressure on to take urgent action.

I have been advising residents who contact me to get in touch with the Environment Agency Hotline

Chairman's Report April 2019

I have met with the Clerk and Deputy Clerk during the month when possible and besides the usual Council meetings I have attended the following on behalf of the Council.

20th March 1000-1200 CCG meeting in Chichester

26th March 1000 Linden Homes

26th March 1200 Funeral of Sylvia Oliver

4th April 1000 Infra Structure

 1100 Forward Plan

 1145 Personnel

A very quiet month as 'Purdah' is in operation.

This is the last meeting of this full Council and I would like to thank everyone for their input during the 'life of this present Council especially the Chairman of the committees Martin, Gill and Keir for the brisk but concise reports enabling Council to make decisions based on their deliberations.

To those Councillors that have not sought re-election I wish you well in the future and to those that did seek to stand again we look forward to the future.

I must thank Debbie and Sue for their dedication and devotion going beyond their remit at times to make sure that we all have the information needed to provide the best service that we can to the electorate that we represent.

Clerks network meeting of 2nd April 19 (Hosted by Bersted)

Topics:

Litter picks (Debbie -Bersted)

Grant funding applications (Debbie -Bersted)

New salary bandings (Katie -Angmering)

GDPR and collaborative platforms - Website Accessibility Code (Linda -Westhampnett)

CCG (Sue-West Wittering)

Attendees confirmed:

Aldingbourne Lindy Nash (new clerk)

Angmering -Katie

Angmering -Tracy

Bosham -Lisa

East Preston -Dawn

Findon-Fiona

Singleton & Charlton -Viv

Westhampnett -Linda

Wisborough Green, Billingshurst – Louise

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In addition to the usual meetings, I have also overseen/attended:

19/3 Mount Noddy presentation at T&C Club

22/3 Architect-site meeting

26/3 Electors

28/3 Chairman's Reception

2/4 Clerk Networking Meeting

4/4 Infrastructure/Forward Plan/Personnel Meeting