

CLlr Reports April 2024 Council Meeting

CLlr A. Van Koolbergen

12th March - F&GP agenda review
12th March - attended full council meeting
23rd March - Trees Estate litterpick
26th March - chaired F&GP meeting
2nd April - attended planning meeting

D. CLlr Martin Lury

District report

Have to report I am in sombre mood as attending yet another funeral today! Highlights in March include two separate site visits and culminated in a difficult decision on land between East Preston and Kingston Gorse outside the built - up boundary and I reflected that it was worth testing an Inspector's decision on appeal on balance as I felt that the award of costs against us would be most unfair given the planning merits of the case , but colleagues seemed less confident with weight attached to grade one farmland being seen by many inspectors as of minor importance compared to the allocation of housing . Friday 22nd March, however, was like a breath of fresh air as a mere ten councillors were able to engage with Youth Voice in Arun with some excellent contributions from some of our local youth and I left invigorated and desirous of involving them more in The Council.

P.S. The River Arun has burst its banks at Littlehampton and I forgot to mention the Homelessness training offered by Shelter yesterday focussing on the different types of tenancy and the responsibilities of local authorities with the five tests - homelessness, eligibility, priority need, intentionality and local connection.

D. CLlr Gill Yeates

My engagements for the month. Busy but with some very enjoyable social events rather than just meetings.

Arun DC:

Wed, 13th Mar – full council
Tue, 19th Mar – attended Environment Committee to hear/make comments about the Flood Forum
Wed. 27th Mar – Housing & Wellbeing
Mon, 8th Apr – Introduction to Housing & Homelessness (led by Shelter)

Bersted PC:

Sat 16th Mar – litter pick at Trees Estate
Thu 28th Mar – Chairman's Reception
Tue 2nd Apr – Planning
Sat 6th Apr – Tombola stand at Craft Fayre

Other:

Tue 26th Mar – with a representative from the Shripney Community Flood Action Group, met with Southern Water who also invited representatives from the EA and WSCC Highways.
Wed 27th Mar – Civic Reception (Bognor Regis Town Council)

