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TO MEMBERS ALDINGTON AND BONNINGTON PARISH COUNCIL.

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to attend the meeting of the **PARISH COUNCIL** to be held on **Monday 29th July 2019 at 7.30 pm** in Aldington Village Hall, Roman Road, Aldington.

Peter Setterfield

Peter Setterfield PSLCC
Parish Clerk.

AGENDA

- 1. To receive and accept apologies for absence.**
- 2. To receive any declarations of interest from Members.**
Members are invited to declare disclosable pecuniary interests and other interests in items on the agenda as required by the Aldington and Bonnington Parish Council Code of Conduct for Members and by the Localism Act 2011.
- 3. KCC Highways and Transportation:**
Kent Highways recently undertook a site meeting report attached.
- 4. Planning:**
19/01043/AS – TOSCA, ROMAN ROAD, ALDINGTON – Listed building consent. Install conservation roof lights into existing roof and replace existing double garage door with cavity brickwork to match existing (revision to consent granted under 18/01378/AS)

To consider any further applications received prior to the meeting.

The Parish Council is asked to consider if it wishes to undertake a local needs housing survey as the last one was done four years ago.

5. Otterpool Park:

Following the consultation evening a further response is being prepared to Folkestone and Hythe District Council on the subject of traffic to give them some actual indication as to what happens when there is an incident which closes either the A20 or M20.

6. Play equipment:

An update will be given at the meeting as information is currently awaited.

7. Trees in Quarry Wood:

Quotations have been received and a date has been requested when the works can be undertaken.

8. Recreation land, Roman Road:

An update will be given at the meeting as information is currently awaited.

9. Any Other Business:

Any items raised are for information only, any matters requiring a decision will be placed on the next available Agenda for the Council.

Roman Road Aldington – suggested road safety measures:

1. Background information:

Options for road safety improvements following the site meeting between KCC (Darren Hickman) and Aldington & Bonnington PC (Peter Setterfield) on the 11th July 2019.

The site visit was undertaken on a sunny afternoon between 14:45 and 15:30 at the end of the school academic day to assess the concerns raised by parents of speeding traffic on Roman Road.

A large number of parents opted to collect their children from school on foot on the day of the site visit and this is likely to be attributed to the good weather conditions. Parking was noted to be an issue in and around the school with parents trying to park close to the school entrance, this was highlighted by vehicles parking close to the junction of Goldwell Lane causing obstruction to sight lines for vehicles using the junction. One vehicle was found to be parked wholly across the footway in Goldwell Lane obstructing pedestrian access.

Speeding traffic was not noted as being an issue at the time of the site visit as the current on street parking assists in reducing vehicle speeds. On street parking occupies the northern side of the carriageway for the majority of the length of Roman Road opposite the school and this restricts the traffic running lane to one vehicle width. There is a small crest in the carriageway as you approach the school from an easterly direction which coupled with the parking demand assists in managing vehicle speeds. To fully ascertain the issue of speeding traffic a full traffic survey of the site would need to be undertaken.

The existing 30MPH speed limit terminal when approaching the village from the east is set back a sufficient distance from the school entrance to provide sufficient time for drivers to adjust their speed accordingly.

2. Options for improvement:

- Increase the size of the existing build out that has recently been installed opposite the school entrance. This will allow for improved visibility for pedestrians when crossing the road.
- Consider installing junction protection road markings in the form of yellow lines (this will require regular enforcement from Ashford Borough Council).
- Consider an advisory 20MPH speed limit at school times. This will require manual operation to turn the system on and off from a representative from the school. We would need the results of a speed survey to ensure the site is suitable for this system.
- Work with the school to provide information to parents on sustainable travel options and the effect inconsiderate parking is having on the village.
- Review road signage