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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 12th March 2018 at 7.35 pm following the Planning Committee Meeting** in the Aldington Eco Centre, Goldwell Lane, Aldington.

Peter Setterfield PSLCC
Parish Clerk.

AGENDA.

- 1. Ashford Borough Councillor's Report**
- 2. To receive and accept apologies for absence.**
- 3. 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.
- 4. Public Participation Session**
This provides an opportunity for members of the public to raise questions about and comment on items on the agenda. Time for this session is limited to 15 minutes (3 minutes per person).
- 5. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 12th February 2018.**
- 6. Chairman's Report:**

7. Finance:

The Parish Council is asked to approve the payment of the cheques on the attached schedule of payments.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. To receive and note the items of expenditure and approve payment.**
- 2. To authorise the transfer of £3,000.00 from deposit account to current account.**

8. Consultation: Gypsy Traveller & travelling showpeople Issues and Options, & Search for available land for Gypsy and Traveller Pitches:

The Borough Council is carrying out a consultation on the Issues and Options for Gypsy, Traveller and Travelling Showpeople sites within Ashford. The attached document provides a broad outline on the issues surrounding a series of topics and then poses a number of questions which relate to the topics. There is also the opportunity to add additional matters that are felt to be important to the area. This consultation will inform the Development Plan Document which will set out the future of Gypsy and Traveller development within the Borough.

9. Neighbourhood Plan / Village Confines:

The Parish Council held an exhibition on 10th February inviting residents to see what was involved in the preparation of a Neighbourhood Plan and/or a Village Confine and to gauge the level of interest and support in the preparation.

Having analysed the results of the day and the number of residents willing to commit to volunteering to assist in the project there is not the necessary level of support to warrant undertaking the exercise.

RECOMMENDATION: that the Parish Council does not pursue the options of a Neighbourhood Plan or Village Confines exercise at the present time.

10. Picnic Benches:

At the Parish Council meeting on 12th February 2018 Councillor Wright put forward a suggestion for the Parish Council to install some picnic benches on Bramble Common to be discussed further at the March meeting. Subsequently the Parish Council were offered 4 suitable benches at a cost of £80 each, the Chairman and Vice Chairman together with the Parish Clerk in accordance with Financial Regulations agreed to proceed with the purchase.

11. Aldington Eco Centre:

REPORT: The Parish Council at present lease the Eco Centre to KCC as a business hub service. The Parish Council have been advised that as from 1st April 2018 the service will be provided by a KCC majority shareholder company to be called The Education People. In terms of the staff and occupation and the way the building is used, everything will remain the same.

Under the terms of the lease KCC are seeking the Parish Council's approval to sublet to The Education People.

RECOMMENDATION: To receive and note the report and to approve the sublet

to The Education People.

12. Allotments:

An update will be given at the meeting.

13. Telephone Kiosk:

The telephone kiosk situated at Walnut Ridge requires a new door surround, £256 and a replacement side window, £24 as well as repainting. The Parish Council is asked to give authority to the Clerk to obtain the necessary materials for these essential repairs to be carried out.

14. Aldington Village Hall:

Councillor Boulding to provide an update at the meeting.

15. Skatepark:

An update will be given at the meeting.

16. Correspondence:

1. **Rural Vulnerability Service – Rural Broadband**
2. **Rural Network services – weekly news digest 5th February 2018**
3. **Rural Network Services – weekly news digest 12th February 2018**
4. **KCC Inside Track issue 251**
5. **Kent Association of Local Councils Parish News February 2018**
6. **Rural Vulnerability Service – Fuel poverty**
7. **Spotlight on Rural Health & Social care**
8. **Rural Network Services – weekly news digest 19th February 2018**
9. **Rural Network Services – weekly news digest 26th February 2018**

17. 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.

18. Exclusion of the Public and Press

That under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the Public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature of the business to be conducted.

19. Grounds Maintenance:

Report ABPC/17/19 concerns the Parish Council Grounds Maintenance Contract which expires on 31st March 2018.

Schedule of payments for 12th March 2018.

Cheques for signature at meeting

Chq No.	Payee	Detail	Amount
1283	Aldington Village Hall	Room hire	£20.00
1284	Aldington Evangelical Mission	Electricity / Telephone costs	£568.57
1285 & 1286	Staff Costs		£1,263.21
1287	Kent Association of Local Councils	Training Course	£72.00
1288	C Fowler	Reimbursement expenses re exhibition	£55.27
1289	C Fowler	Reimbursement re Picnic Benches	£320.00
1290	Harmer & Sons Grounds Maintenance	Grounds maintenance	£942.00
1291	SLCC Enterprises Ltd	Training Course	£66.00