

### Your Councillors

#### New Councillor

Members are pleased to announce that on 23 June 2025, Cllr Tammy Coles was co-opted to the Parish Council to represent the Ide Hill ward. Tammy will be involved in all Ide Hill assets and is a member of the Ide Hill Amenities Committee.

#### Ide Hill Councillors

##### Cllr Martyn Fribbens

Vice Chairman

Chairman of Ide Hill Amenities

Committee

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##### Cllr Tammy Coles

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##### Cllr Sharron Manley

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##### Cllr Russell Maybury

Chairman of Finance & Personnel Committee

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#### County & District Councillors

The Parish is represented by

##### County & District Councillor

###### Cllr Nigel Williams

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##### District Councillors

###### Cllr Michelle Alger

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###### Cllr Sandra Robinson

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#### Parish Council Office

##### Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer

###### Amanda Barlow

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### Stubbs Wood

Aztec has now completed the removal of all agreed materials and will no longer be entering the woods,

except for occasional visits to manage pest species. This marks a significant step forward in restoring the natural peace of the area.

Our dedicated volunteers continue their efforts in Coup 1, carefully thinning and maintaining the woodland to promote healthy growth. They're also hard at work keeping the footpaths clear and views open throughout the summer months.

Excitingly, the team is beginning to uncover and restore some of the woods' hidden architectural features. These elements tell a rich story of how the woods have been used over the past few centuries. Plans are underway to share this history through educational displays for visitors. This project has already sparked local interest, with residents generously sharing historical knowledge and photos—thank you!

We're also looking at reinforcing the main entrances to reduce incidents of fly-tipping and keep the woods secure for all.

Cllrs Fribbens and Manley are revising the existing woodland management plan in hopes of securing funding for the next two years. We're also arranging a community meeting this October, where a prospective woodland planning consultant will present ideas for the future.

If you'd like to get involved in helping care for Stubbs Woods, we'd love to have you on board!

Contact Sharron Manley on

[sharon.manley@sundridgewithidehill-pc.gov.uk](mailto:sharon.manley@sundridgewithidehill-pc.gov.uk)



### Goathurst Common Playground

The new playground is proving very popular with all age groups and the Parish Council has ordered two goals with nets to enable informal football to be played as previously.

The trees and shrubs are

starting to get established thanks to the hard work of local residents.

Benches and picnic tables, many of which were donated by local residents, will be ordered shortly to further enhance the recreation ground.



### Planning

The Planning Committee is a committee comprised of members from both Ide Hill and Sundridge to ensure an even balance of views and local knowledge. We consider the details of all relevant planning, conservation and tree preservation orders bearing in mind the affect that they might have on our village and/or environment.

Whilst the Parish Council can make representations to the Planning Authority at Sevenoaks District Council, our comments are not legally binding on it, but the authority must take them into consideration when making any decision.

### Defibrillators

The defibrillators are located at Ide Hill Village Hall and at Sundridge & Brasted Club. They are serviced regularly.

## Summer Update from Sundridge with Ide Hill Parish Council

### Sundridge Councillors

**Cllr John Evans**

Chairman

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**Cllr John Banbrook**

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**Cllr Zoe Collins**

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**Cllr Melvin De Bono**

Chairman of the

Sundridge Amenities Committee

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**Cllr Ann Powell**

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**Cllr Helen Wilson**

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### Out of Office

The Parish Office will have limited cover during August and will be closed from Friday 15 to Tuesday 26 August 2025.

If you have an urgent issue please text/WhatsApp  
**the Parish Mobile: 07495 962372**

Or for **Ide Hill email:**  
martyn.fribbens@sundridgewithidehill-pc.gov.uk

for **Sundridge email:**  
john.evans@sundridgewithidehill-pc.gov.uk

### Sundridge Village Hall

The Village Hall has been updated and improved over the last few months and there are further updates over the summer. The village hall can be hired by residents for a reduced rate of £15 per hour.

Please contact the Clerk for bookings  
clerk@sundridgewithidehill-pc.gov.uk



### A25

The Parish Council would like to thank all residents who shared their concerns about speeding on the A25. Your feedback is valued and has helped bring attention to this important issue.

In response, the Parish Council has been in contact with Kent Highways and District Councillor Nigel Williams. Kent Highways is scheduled to carry out speed surveys along the A25 in September. Following this, Members will meet with Highways in October to discuss the findings and agree on next steps to address the problem.

We'll keep residents updated as progress is made.

**All residents are warmly invited to attend Parish Council meetings and we look forward to welcoming you to our meetings.**

**The next meeting of the  
Full Council is on  
Monday 28 September 2025  
at 7.45pm  
in Sundridge Village Hall.**

### Streetlights

Church Road – The Parish Council is currently in negotiations with Sevenoaks District Council over the Streetlight that was knocked down by a SDC lorry.

The Parish Council is committed to ensuring that SDC cover all the costs to replace the light.

### Bowers Meadow

Members of the Parish Council were pleased to hear from so many residents regarding the future of Bowers Meadow. Opinions were thoughtfully shared, with some in favour of maintaining it as a natural meadow, and others supporting more regular cutting.

In response, the Parish Council will be meeting with contractors to explore a balanced approach, including the creation of clear pathways through the meadow. Members are also committed to enhancing the space by planting native wildflowers, encouraging both biodiversity and community enjoyment.

If you're interested in joining a group of local residents to help improve Bowers Meadow, we'd love to hear from you. Please contact the Clerk at clerk@sundridgewithidehill-pc.gov.uk.

### Sundridge Burial Ground

The Parish Council, in agreement with the Church, is selling the reserve Sundridge Burial Ground by auction in September 2025. Details can be found on the Parish Council website and by contacting Clive Emson, Auctioneers

auctions@cliveemson.co.uk

