

Sundridge with Ide Hill Parish Council

AGENDA

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Full Council Meetings

Monday 28th October 2024 at 7.45pm – Sundridge Village Hall
Monday 18th November 2024 at 7.45pm – Sundridge Village Hall

Committee Meetings:

Ide Hill Amenities Committee Monday 7th October 2024 at 6.00pm – Ide Hill Village Hall
Sundridge Amenities Committee Wednesday 9th October 2024 at 7.15pm – Sundridge Pavillion
Finance & Personnel Committee Monday 21st October 2024 at 7.15pm – Sundridge Village Hall

Sundridge with Ide Hill Parish Council
AGENDA PAPERS

1. To receive apologies and reasons for absence.

Cllr Fribbens and Cllr Miller

6. To approve as a correct record the **Minutes** of the Parish Council meetings held on 22 July 2024.

**Minutes of Full Council Meeting held on Monday 22 July 2024
at Sundridge Village Hall at 7.30pm**

Present: Councillors Allgood, Banbrook, Collins, De Bono, Evans (Chair), Fribbens, Powell and Wilson

Apologies: Cllrs Manley, Miller, Cllr Nick Chard (County) and Cllr Nigel Williams (District),

Attendance: 0 members of the public, Cllr Sandra Robinson (District), Cllr Michelle Alger (District) and Amanda Barlow (Clerk)

Cllr Evans (Chair) welcomed everyone to the meeting

1. To receive apologies and reasons for absence.

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Miller and Manley, Cllr Nick Chard (County) and Cllr Nigel Williams (District).

2. To receive declarations of personal, prejudicial and disclosable pecuniary interests on items on the agenda and updates to members' register of interests.

Cllr Banbrook declared an interest in Agenda Item 11.2 as he is the contractor doing the work.

3. **Report from County Councillor**

Cllr Chard was not at the meeting.

4. **Report from District Councillor**

Cllr Evans advised that there was an unanimous decision to refuse the Covers Farm application.

Cllr Alger:

Cleaner and Greener Committee – there is a waste review going on to see if there are any gaps and there are many challenges. The Committee is exploring a new waste reduction and a survey of the roll out of the bag for life. There is a new booking system for garden waste sacks and SDC has taken legal advice on the new waste collection.

The recycling waste must be in a clear bag or it will be put in the general household waste.

Cllr Robinson:

SDC spend £334,000 on household waste. It was expected to make a profit on green and commercial waste. In reality household waste cost £940,000, commercial made a loss and green recycling made a loss. This meant instead of spending £42,000 on waste it was £1.2 million.

There is a report on the collapse of the leisure centre.

SDC does not have a central procurement department.

The Asset Register is not up to date.

5. **A Public Open Session.** Members of the public will be welcome to address the Parish Council with any local concerns they have. Please note this item will be limited in time at the discretion of the Chairman.

None.

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6. To approve as a correct record the **Minutes** of the Parish Council meetings held on 24 June 2024.

Members resolved to agree the minutes of the meeting on 24 June 2024.

7. **To take Matters arising** from the Minutes where these are not covered under the subject headings below

9.1 The Clerk confirmed that the AGAR was submitted by the deadline of 30 June 2024 and the public rights period is underway. The AGAR is on the website.

8. To consider, and approve if appropriate, which agenda items are sufficiently confidential as to warrant exclusion of members of the press and public under the provisions of The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.

None.

9. **Finance, Personnel & Governance items**

9.1 To agree items received, paid and payable

Members resolved to agree items received, paid and payable on Appendix A.

10. **Ide Hill**

To receive an update on the Ide Hill Assets following the Ide Hill Amenities Committee Meeting

10.1 Stubbs Wood

10.1.1 Aztech work

10.1.2 Woodland Plan

An update on Stubbs Wood is included at Appendix B.

10.2 Ide Hill Public Conveniences

Members were concerned to hear that there have been further incidents of theft.

Members looked at options regarding free sanitary products and agreed that perhaps a box could be placed in the facilities.

10.3 To note the draft minutes of the Ide Hill Amenities Committee meeting held on 1 July 2024

Noted.

11. **Sundridge**

To receive an update on the Sundridge Assets following the Sundridge Amenities Committee Meeting

11.1 Sundridge Recreation Ground

Members agreed that Kerry Booker should be appointed to deal with the water leak.

11.2 Sundridge Village Hall

Members noted that the work has been carried out and some further actions need to be taken.

11.3 Bowers Meadow

Cllr Allgood advised that there needs to be some more volunteers.

11.4 Sundridge & Brasted Social Club

The Clerk advised that the lease is ready for signing and Members confirmed that they had already resolved that the Chairman, Cllr Evans and the Clerk, Amanda Barlow should sign the lease.

11.5 Sundridge Reserve Burial Ground

The Parish Council noted that there has been some communication that the PCC are happy for the Parish Council to look at the sale of the burial ground but Members agreed that they would await official confirmation.

12. Items for noting

12.1 Correspondence

12.1.1 SDC – Grand Opening of Kent Waste Transfer Station

Cllr Evans will attend.

12.1.2 Kent Police

Noted.

12.1.3 Road Safety & Active Travel Group Newsletter

Noted.

12.2 Highways

Members will attend a meeting on August 28 at 10.00am.

13. Dates of next meetings

Full Council Meeting

Monday 16 September 2024 at 7.45pm – Sundridge Village Hall

7. **To take Matters arising** from the Minutes where these are not covered under the subject headings below
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Agenda Item

9. **Finance, Personnel & Governance items**

9.1 Renewal of Insurance Policy – attached separately

9.2 Grass cutting grant for the PCC

From: Robert Skone James <rsjtreasurer@aol.com>

Sent: 05 August 2024 17:37

To: Sundridge with Ide Hill Parish Council <clerk@sundridgewithidehill-pc.gov.uk>

Subject: Grass cutting grant - Sundridge Church

Dear Amanda

I hope you are well and enjoying the summer weather that seems to have finally arrived.

As you know, the Parish Council has kindly made a grant to the PCC towards cutting the grass in Sundridge Churchyard and I'm writing to ask if they might consider this again for 2024. The cost this year is likely to be over £5000 and so anything that the PC can do to help would be most welcome.

Please don't hesitate to let me know if you have any questions.

Best wishes

Robert

Sundridge with Ide Hill Parish Council

9.2 To agree items received, paid and payable –

Items received 22 July to 16 September 2024

Sundridge with Ide Hill Parish Council

16 September 2024 (2024-2025)

RECEIPTS LIST

Code	Date	Description	Supplier	Net	Total
Income Dance School	24/07/2024	Village Hall Hire	Judith Essex School of Dance	1,167.25	1,167.25
Income Casual	26/07/2024	Village Hall Hire	Sevenoaks District Council	340.00	340.00
Income Nayax	15/08/2024	Toilet Door Income	Nayax Europe UAB	169.88	169.88
Income Casual	16/08/2024	Village Hall Hire	J H Trading	320.00	320.00
Playground Grant	23/08/2024	Grant for Goathurst Common Playground	National Lottery Community Fund	19,999.00	19,999.00
Income Casual	30/08/2024	Village Hall Hire	Teresa Baker	648.00	648.00
Income Radnor House	06/09/2024	Radnor Lease	Radnor House	5,000.00	5,000.00
Income Sundridge AllStars	09/09/2024	Sundridge AllStars	Sundridge AllStars	200.00	200.00
Income Sundridge AllStars	09/09/2024	Sundridge AllStars	Sundridge AllStars	280.00	280.00
Income Casual	11/09/2024	Village Hall Hire	Birchfield Management Company	37.50	37.50
Income Nayax	13/09/2024	Toilet Door Income	Nayax Europe UAB	201.72	201.72

Items Paid 22 July to 16 September 2024

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16 September 2024 (2024-2025)

PAYMENTS LIST

Code	Date	Description	Supplier	Total
Photocopier and photocopying	23/07/2024	Photocopier charges	KCC	105.55
Parish mobile telephone	23/07/2024	Mobile	Mrs A C Barlow	23.75
Parish WiFi (Clerk)	23/07/2024	WiFi	Mrs A C Barlow	10.00
Parish Zoom account	23/07/2024	Zoom	Mrs A C Barlow	14.39
Travel Expenses	23/07/2024	Mileage	Mrs A C Barlow	17.10
Supplies for meetings	23/07/2024	Coffee and Biscuits	Mrs A C Barlow	14.35
Cleaning	23/07/2024	Additional Clean SVH	Val & Sander Reytenbach	30.00
Volunteer Expenses	23/07/2024	Fuel and Oil for Stubbs Wood	Dominic Rossi	8.12
Ground maintenance	23/07/2024	Tree work	All Angles Tree Care	1,140.00
Miscellaneous Contingency	26/07/2024	Repair of leaking pipes	Nova Works Limited	400.00
WiFi	31/07/2024	WiFi Village Hall	Onecom Limited	64.73
Hire of Ide Hill Village Hall	23/08/2024	Ide Hill Hall Hire	Ide Hill Village Hall Trust	76.00
Parish mobile telephone	23/08/2024	Mobile	Mrs A C Barlow	23.75
Parish WiFi (Clerk)	23/08/2024	WiFi	Mrs A C Barlow	10.00
Parish Zoom account	23/08/2024	Zoom	Mrs A C Barlow	14.39
Payroll	23/08/2024	Payroll	DM Payroll Services Ltd	90.00
Cleaning	23/08/2024	Cleaning	Val & Sander Reytenbach	180.00
Maintenance	23/08/2024	Toilet supplies	Goldservice	272.82
Maintenance	23/08/2024	Village Hall maintenance	Banbrook Handyman and Garden Services	381.00
Electricity and Gas	23/08/2024	Gas	British Gas	14.46
Electricity and Gas	23/08/2024	Electricity	British Gas	39.20
Energy Costs	23/08/2024	Calor Gas	Calor Gas	12.58
Conveniences cleaning	23/08/2024	Additional Clean SVH	Val & Sander Reytenbach	30.00
Conveniences cleaning	23/08/2024	Cleaning	Val & Sander Reytenbach	500.00
WiFi	30/08/2024	WiFi Village Hall	Onecom Limited	64.73

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Payments to be made @19 September 2024

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16 September 2024 (2024-2025)

PAYMENTS LIST

Code	Date	Description	Supplier				Total
Parish mobile telephone	19/09/2024	Mobile	Mrs A C Barlow	S	19.79	3.96	23.75
Parish WiFi (Clerk)	19/09/2024	WiFi	Mrs A C Barlow	X	10.00		10.00
Parish Zoom account	19/09/2024	Zoom	Mrs A C Barlow	S	11.99	2.40	14.39
Travel Expenses	19/09/2024	Mileage	Mrs A C Barlow	X	17.10		17.10
Supplies for meetings	19/09/2024	Coffee and Biscuits	Mrs A C Barlow	X	19.35		19.35
Training	19/09/2024	Finance Conference -Clerk	KALC	S	70.00	14.00	84.00
Photocopier and photocopying	19/09/2024	Photocopier rental	KCC	S	59.60	11.92	71.52
Repairs	19/09/2024	Streetlight repairs	Streetlights	S	82.50	16.50	99.00
Electricity and Gas	19/09/2024	Electricity	British Gas	L	172.38	8.62	181.00
Cleaning	20/09/2024	Cleaning	Val & Sander Reytenbach	X	180.00		180.00
Conveniences cleaning	20/09/2024	Cleaning	Val & Sander Reytenbach	X	500.00		500.00

10. Ide Hill

To receive an update on the Ide Hill Assets and make any decisions regarding allocation of funds and next actions, if appropriate.

10.1 Stubbs Wood

10.1.1 Aztech work

Hi Adam and Amanda,

Sorry it has taken me a while to get a chance to look into the management plan and felling licence for an answer on this. The felling license isn't very specific, but no more than 30% can be removed under a thinning licence, evenly distributed throughout, without creating 'plant-able' gaps in the canopy.

The current management plan is a bit more specific - it says that some conifer should be retained for landscape purposes, but that the thinning should favour the removal of conifer over broadleaves. It also says that the larch makes up the majority of the canopy in 1d- I can't remember to what extent this is in fact the case, but if it is correct then I don't think it would be advisable to remove all the larch as this would not be in line with a thinning licence.

So - I think that if the council are happy to amend the contract to a 30% thin rather than 25%, that would be reasonable, but probably not viable to remove all larch.

Hope this helps,

Kind Regards

Tim
Tim Saunders
Woodland Manager
Silva Woodland Management Ltd

From: office@aztechgroupse.co.uk

To: tim.saunders89@btinternet.com; clerk@sundridgewithidehill-pc.gov.uk

Sent: Wednesday, July 31st 2024, 07:19

Subject: Further Harvesting works

Hi All

We will be looking at doing the rest of the harvesting works in the next couple of weeks. This includes blocks 4B and 1D with the completion of 2C

I have walked all blocks with the harvester driver, and we have 1 question on block 1D.

Tim, the tender docs specify 25% canopy thin favouring soft woods. Looking at 1D this is going to be hard to achieve whilst trying to retain some of the Larch. Would it be possible to remove ALL Larch from 1D and retain all the broadleaf tree stock? Any damaged Sycamore/ Chestnut will re coppice etc. Just wanted to check this would be covered on the felling license.

Please let me know your thoughts asap.

Many thanks

Adam Ashworth
Director
Aztech Group South East Ltd
07717546457

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10.1.2 Woodland Plan

Cllrs are meeting with the SWAG and Tim Saunders on Friday 20 September 2024.

SBI: 200262034

Business name: Sundridge with Ide Hill Parish Council

Agreement number: 808440

Our ref: CS HT expiries woodland holding v1.0 + CRM-4208479-Z1Q1D3

Dear Sir or Madam

We're writing to you because you have a Countryside Stewardship Higher Tier Woodland agreement which is due to expire on 31 December 2024.

We are currently working on finalising the newest Countryside Stewardship Higher Tier offer, and we will write to you again shortly with information about how you can continue participating and receiving funding under the scheme.

If you are interested in applying for a new woodland management agreement, we would encourage you to begin working on a woodland management plan if you do not have an approved plan already. You can read about [funding to write a Woodland Management Plan](#) on GOV.UK.

We would like to thank you for all your work on Countryside Stewardship.

If you have any questions about this email

You can email ruralpayments@defra.gov.uk or call us on 03000 200 301 (Monday to Friday, 8.30am to 5pm). Please tell us your SBI and Agreement number, which are at the top of this email.

Yours faithfully

Tom Foster

Land Services Owner

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10.1.3 Hire of car park by Catford Cycling Club

From: Steve Airey <fixedwheelnut@yahoo.co.uk>

Sent: 31 August 2024 23:07

To: clerk@sundridgewithidehill-pc.gov.uk; suggars65@googlemail.com;
martyn.fribbens@sundridgewithidehill-pc.gov.uk

Subject: Catford CC Hill Climb Sunday 13th October 2024

Dear Ide Hill Parish Council

We would like to use the Stubbs Hill Car Park again for our 2024 Hill Climb competition on Yorks Hill.

This years date is Sunday 13th of October from about 6am to 2pm, please let us know if this is OK again and how much we have to pay for 2024 and our treasurer David Suggars can settle the invoice.

Kind regards

Steve Airey

Catford CC President.

10.2 Ide Hill Public Conveniences

To discuss having CCTV to prevent further vandalism.

Confidential item re: Water Bill

10.3 Ide Hill Recreation Ground

Repair to fence

10.4 Goathurst Common Playground

From: martyn.fribbens@sundridgewithidehill-pc.gov.uk <martyn.fribbens@sundridgewithidehill-pc.gov.uk>

Sent: 03 September 2024 10:00

To: Amanda Barlow <clerk@sundridgewithidehill-pc.gov.uk>

Cc: Alex Ives

Subject: Goathurst playground

Hi Amanda

I see we have received the £19,999 grant from WKRK. Together with the money raised from the Friends, we are at around £40k. If required, I will get them to transfer money into the PC account. Alex and team are following up with Lottery grant to see when that will be received. The Friends will be pushing hard to get the remaining £5k (ish) in the next couple of months.

To remain on schedule, the order needs to be placed in the next few weeks. I have the account application form which I will look at and pass on to you for completion. When we place the order, they require 50% up front which is around £32,500. The remainder will need to be paid in around February/March upon completion.

Can you advise me what needs to be done so we don't create any unnecessary delays?

Best regards

Cllr. Martyn Fribbens

10.5 Ide Hill Village Green

To discuss replacing the benches on the Green

11. Sundridge

To receive an update on the Sundridge Assets and make any decisions regarding allocation of funds and next actions, if appropriate.

11.1 Sundridge Recreation Ground

Arrange a Sundridge Recreation Ground working party

Finalise the clearing of the items at the front of the pavilion

Litter Bin

11.2 Sundridge Village Hall

To agree a date to move items into the shed and for Boogie Bounce to move trampolines

To get curtains

Confirm to hirers and confirm increase in rates (already in place for casual hirers)

11.3 Bowers Meadow

The above three items can be dealt with by the Sundridge Amenities Committee

11.4 Sundridge & Brasted Social Club

11.5 Sundridge Reserve Burial Ground

From: terrypcc@btinternet.com <terrypcc@btinternet.com>

Sent: 28 July 2024 13:37

To: Sundridge with Ide Hill Parish Council <clerk@sundridgewithidehill-pc.gov.uk>; john.evans@sundridgewithidehill-pc.gov.uk

Cc: Subject: Re: Birchfield Burial Ground

Dear Amanda Barlow and John Evans

The PCC has recently discussed the Birchfield burial ground and minuted that 'the PCC's view was that we were unlikely to need the Birchfield burial ground for a graveyard'.

The PCC would like an assurance that the area under discussion does not contain bodies, as this would lead to complications.

The PCC was able to take this view on the Birchfield ground because there is capacity in the Sundridge churchyard and we are actively pursuing an extension churchyard/graveyard in part of the Ide Hill Glebe Field. This Ide Hill project has been running for some time and we are now in the process of getting all the permissions in place to finalise it, which is an expensive legal process funded by the PCC.

By keeping both churchyards 'open', ie able to take burials, our understanding is that the the PCC are relieving the Parish Council of considerable potential expense in responsibility for the provision of new burial areas and for maintenance of the churchyards. In view of this saving, we would hope that the Parish Council will be generous in their financial support towards the upkeep of both churchyards.

Terry Corbett

Secretary, on behalf of the Sundridge with Ide Hill and Toys Hill PCC

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12. General Items

To receive an update and make any decisions regarding allocation of funds and next actions, if appropriate.

12.1 Highways

Update from meeting on 28 August 2024

12.2 Website

Clerk to get quotes for new website.

12.3 Remembrance Sunday – Sunday 10 November

To confirm Cllrs Evans/Fribbens will lay the wreaths – they have been ordered.

12.4 Christmas Events

To agree the Christmas events for Ide Hill and Sundridge

General - Events and		Last Year 2023-2024			Current Year 2024-2025			
		Payments		Receipts	Payments			
Code	Title	Budget	Actual	Total	Budget	Actual	Forecast	Total
79	Annual Parish Meeting - Ide Hill	350.00	227.57		350.00	422.09		422.09
148	Annual Parish Meeting - Sundridge		540.00		350.00	147.05		147.05
76	Christmas festivities Ide Hill	350.00	188.24		350.00			
77	Christmas festivities Sundridge	500.00	333.10		500.00			
135	Christmas Trees	315.00	390.00		350.00			
80	Great British Spring Clean	100.00			100.00			
82	Operation Menai Bridge	100.00			100.00			
78	Remembrance Sunday	75.00	70.00		100.00			
137	Summer Event - Ide Hill	1,000.00	723.41		500.00			
138	Summer Event - Sundridge	1,000.00	1,167.29		500.00			
140	The Big Help Out		152.08					
SUB TOTAL		3,790.00	3,791.69		3,200.00	569.14		569.14
Summary								
TOTAL		3,790.00	3,791.69		3,200.00	569.14		569.14

12.5 Correspondence

12.5.1 Kent Police

Community events attended and next month's events.

The engagement calendar on My community voice should show any of the events I am pencilled in for. If there is any you would like me to attend please email me.



Good work story/stories

Arrest of a prolific criminal who was wanted and outstanding for several offences. Was spotted by PC WILSON the male had made off had hidden in a garden, with the help of members of the public who had spotted the male going into a garden he was found in a shed and was arrested and swiftly taken into custody. Resulting in the suspect being remanded for their offences.

Good work story/stories

A number of beat officers had attended address in Westerham for a male wanted on prison recall. After attending the address the male was located inside had resisted with officers and was swiftly dealt with and is now serving the remainder of his sentence.

Good work story/stories

Had attended a local farm in Chipstead where a suspected unexploded ammunition had been located. The military was called and working in joint partnership made the location safe and the item was dealt with.

Good work story/stories

The Beat team apprehended a shoplifter outside Sevenoaks Police station who had taken items from 4 stores in town. He was stopped by Town Officer and assisted by PC WILSON and PC KEMP

Chairman of Sevenoaks District Council

Councillor Laurence Ball

invites you to join him for a

Night at the Races



Join the Chairman for a Night at the Races at:

Horton Kirby and South Darenth Village Hall,
Horton Road, South Darenth, Dartford, DA4 9AZ

On Friday 11th October 2024 at 7pm until late

Snacks will be available

Please bring your own beverages

Dress Code: Smart Casual

Chains/Badges of Office may be worn

Cost: Adults £12pp on the door or £10pp purchased advance, Children
£5pp, Chauffeur/Sergeant provision at £5.00 pp

Sundridge with Ide Hill Parish Council

Dear Town or Parish Council

From 23 September 2024, we are phasing out clear recycling sacks and introducing 'Reusable Recycling Bags' to most households.

The new recycling bag is weighted, waterproof and resealable. When full, it is approximately 600mm (2 feet) wide by 600mm (2 feet) deep and 900mm (3 feet) high. It holds 190-litres of recycling, about three full clear sacks worth of materials, and folds up for easy storage.

Reusable bags already being used by 130 councils across the UK and in our trials, we've found people tend to recycle more with these bags than they would with clear sacks.

Introducing the reusable bag will save the Council driving 30,000 miles every year to deliver clear sacks to every household, reducing our carbon emissions. By discontinuing clear recycling bags, it also cuts down on single use plastics.

The change will also save around £200,000 a year, helping to protect our frontline services.

The new bags will be delivered to properties up until the end of the year and can be used straight away. We are asking residents to write their house name or number on the bags with a permanent marker.

For operational reasons, we are unable to include properties using communal bins, flats and most properties in the centre of New Ash Green. We'll be writing to households who will not receive a reusable recycling bag.

All the information about the new bag roll-out, including a series of questions and answers, can be found on our website – www.sevenoaks.gov.uk/recyclingbags.

Trevor Kennett, FRSA, MCMI
Head of Direct Services

Direct Services | Waste & Recycling | Health & Safety | Emergency Planning | Parks & Countryside | Environmental Enforcement | Markets | Fleet & Depot | Clean & Green | CCTV | Commercial Services | Parking & Traffic Enforcement.

Sevenoaks District Council
Council Offices | Argyle Road | Sevenoaks | Kent | TN13 1HG
Dunbrik Depot | 2 Main Road | Sundridge | Kent | TN14 6EP

13. Dates of next meetings

Full Council Meetings

Monday 28th October 2024 at 7.45pm – Sundridge Village Hall

Monday 18th November 2024 at 7.45pm – Sundridge Village Hall

Committee Meetings:

Ide Hill Amenities Committee

Monday 7th October 2024 at 6.00pm – Ide Hill Village Hall

Sundridge Amenities Committee

Wednesday 9th October 2024 at 7.15pm – Sundridge Pavilion

Finance & Personnel Committee

Monday 21st October 2024 at 7.15pm – Sundridge Village Hall