

SANDGATE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Date: Time: 23rd June 2025 at 6.30pm Venue: Sandgate Council and Library, Sandgate High Street.

To: ALL MEMBERS OF SANDGATE PARISH COUNCIL

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to attend a Sandgate Council meeting on the date and at the time and place shown above.

The meeting will be open to the press and public. The meeting will also be broadcast live at <u>https://www.facebook.com/sandgatepc</u>

Twenty minutes have been set-aside at the beginning of the meeting for the public to ask questions of the Council. Speakers will be allowed a maximum of two minutes to ask their question. Questions can either be asked in person or emailed to clerk@sandgatepc.org.uk to arrive one working day before the meeting and they will be presented to the meeting for reply.

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for absence
- 2. Declarations of Interest Members are invited to declare disclosable pecuniary interests and other interests in items on the agenda as required by the Council's Code of Conduct and by the Localism Act 2011.
- 3. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 19th May 2025 to be confirmed as a correct record and signed.
- 4. Chairman's opening remarks & correspondence
- 5. KALC- Community Award- presentation to the recipient
- 6. Planning Committee report
- 7. Environment Committee report
- 8. Finance Committee report

7.1 Annual Governance and Accountability Return- to receive the AGAR forms and observations and consider the proposals for approval.

Internal Auditor's Report

Proposal To agree the recommendation of the Finance Committee to receive and note the Internal Auditor's report and further note that there were no issues or weaknesses in control identified. **Statement Of Internal Control**

Proposal To approve the Statement of Internal Control for the year ending 31st March 25 and for the Chairman and Parish Clerk to sign.

Annual Governance Statement 2024/5

Proposal To agree the recommendation of the Finance Committee to adopt the Annual Governance Statement 2024/25 with boxes 1 to 8 ticked "yes" and box 9 ticked "NA" and for the Chairman and Parish Clerk to sign.

Statement Of Accounts and Annual Return 2024/25

Proposal To agree the recommendation of the Finance Committee to adopt the Statement of Accounts and Annual Return 2024/25 and for the Chairman to sign.

Period Of Exercise of Public Rights

Proposal To agree the dates set for the period of exercise of public rights will be - Tuesday, 24 June 2025: Tuesday, 5 August 2025

9. Library Committee report

10. Proposal for the Installation of a Recycled Plastic Bench on the Village Green

- Consideration of replacing the existing wooden bench, which commemorates the Ashford and Folkestone Soroptimists, with a 100% recycled plastic bench designed for durability, low maintenance, and aesthetic appeal.
- The proposed bench will feature a multi-coloured design and accommodate individually funded memorial plaques, available for public installation.
- The Parish will fund two plaques, utilizing the Chairman's Allowance, in memory of Robert Bliss and to replace the existing Soroptimist plaque.
- Determination of the cost for plaques and installation (proposed at $\pounds 125$).
- Agreement on promoting the availability of the remaining eight plaque locations on the bench.
- Development of a formal protocol governing the acceptability of plaque messaging.

11. Sandgate 20mph Zone

To receive cost estimate for the scheme and agree the Parish financial contribution.

12. **Information** to bring any other matters to the Council's attention

13. Date of next meeting 21st July 2025