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AN OVERVIEW OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 27th October 2021

Councillors Lewis, Green, Connolly, McCarthy all in attendance
Canterbury City Council (CCC) representative Georgina Glover attended
Apologies received from Councillor Thompson, Louise Harvey-Quirke CCC,
Alan Marsh KCC
2 members of the public attended.

Report from CCC

Canenco will be taking over additional works from Serco including road
cleaning from the 1st November. CCC are still looking for additional
enforcement officers in all areas.

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The Council was addressed prior to the meeting regarding Codes of Conduct
and Standards for Parish Councillors by Ann Dekker CCC.

Councillor Connolly attended a meeting regarding local policing.

An on-line Police Parish Forum was held on 14th October, hosted by Chief
Inspector Mark Hedges, the Canterbury District Commander, and Inspector
Guy Thompson, who oversees rural policing.

The good news was that crime and anti-social behaviour reports were
generally down in the last 12 months to August by about 3%, though there
had been a slight increase in ASB in the Sturry Ward. Locally to Fordwich,
the police had been working with MoD to stop illegal

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motorbiking on the lands and woods west of Fordwich. They also reported numerous seizures of illegal electric scooters in the Canterbury area. The police are trying to increase engagement with the public and intend to continue their 'Coffee with a Cop' events. A 'Safer Streets' initiative will see more CCTV, such as that currently being installed in Dane John Gardens. They have bid for central funding for a new 'Single Women at Night' (SWAN) programme, on which they are already working closely with UKC and Christchurch University.

The perennial problem of speeding and other traffic violations was discussed and is a common problem in other locations in the area. They are aware of some of our problems in Fordwich. We are encouraged to report any traffic violations, and any other matters, directly to the Police. Reporting through Councillors only causes a delay in the Police being able to act.

We will shortly have some Police 'Contact Us' sheets to put on Notice Boards in the Town.

Please note that Parking contraventions are a CCC matter and will not be dealt with by the Police.

Results were shared on the parking/parking restrictions consultation recently carried out in Brooklands Close, Water Meadows and King Street/High Street. The Council asked the residents in Brooklands and Water Meadows their views on whether parking restrictions were required. We asked residents in King Street and High Street with no off-road parking, whether they would support a resident parking scheme if enough support was received.



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Brooklands Close – 20 properties were consulted, 8 voted for no change, 2 for double yellow lines, 1 for seasonal single yellow lines and 2 requested resident parking. 7 didn't respond.

Water Meadows – 20 properties were consulted, 1 voted for no change, 1 for seasonal single yellow lines, 2 requested resident parking. 16 didn't respond.

King Street/High Street – 18 properties were consulted. 6 voted to support the proposal, 4 said no, 8 didn't respond.

Following the above the responses it was agreed that the Council did not have any mandate from the residents to take any of the proposals forward to Canterbury City Council.

The Town Council did agree to propose the following to CCC to be taken to Public Consultation in February 2022. Apply for double yellow lines to Sturry side of Fordwich Road from opposite Marlow Meadows to Mill Road, no parking on kerbs to Fordwich side of Fordwich Road from the bridge to the boundary of Fordwich and to Marlow Meadows and Brooklands Close. Double yellows to High Street on the Oast House side to the whole length, reduce speed limit to Moat Lane to 30mph, extend 30mph speed limit to Stodmarsh Road from the junction of Moat Lane to the Christ Church electric sub-station and add repeater signage to the roadway. We will consult with KCC to see what signage is available to ask road users that do park on public roads to park considerately and to keep the noise down. Planning: There were no planning matters to consider this month.



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Fordwich Neighbourhood Plan

www.fordwichnp.org our dedicated website is under construction

The questionnaire is now live and will be delivered to Fordwich during the first weeks of November.

We want to know the views of EVERYONE in Fordwich so please encourage everybody in your household to complete.

An online version is available

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/8Q5L8Q9>

Questionnaires to be completed and returned by 26th November.

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BOOK LAUNCH MEANDERINGS

edited by K.H.McIntosh and Heather
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FORDWICH AND THE 1929 HOSPITAL FAYRE

compiled by Allan G Butler in
St Nicholas Church STURRY

**Saturday, November 13th. 2021,
at 2.30 p.m.**

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Food bank

Sadly, there is still a great need for basic foodstuffs and items for personal hygiene. The box is waiting to be filled in the church.

Dates for the Diary

**Saturday 20th November Town Tidy Up 10am meet at the church
And afterwards....**

Saturday 20th November Bonfire to clear church yard of wood

**Sunday 19th December at 6pm FORDWICH CHRISTMAS CAROLS –
in St Mary's. Please feel free to bring mince pies and nibbles.
Mulled wine and soft drinks will be provided.**

**Date of the next Fordwich Town Council meeting
Wednesday 24th November 7.30pm in the Town
Hall.**



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In an emergency: **Phone 999**

If it is less immediately important: **Phone 101**

If it is a local matter contact: www.kent.police.uk/contactus

Or

PCSO Robin Todd robin.todd@kent.police.uk

Download the **Country eye** app to report rural crimes such as fly tipping

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