

# SELLINDGE VILLAGE NEWS

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SELLINDGE SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB

# BONFIRE NIGHT

SAT 6th NOV

GATES OPEN 5.30PM  
FIREWORK DISPLAY  
7PM

FAMILY TICKETS £10 (2+2)  
ADULTS £4 CHILD £2

BBQ & BEER TENT  
FREE PARKING, GLOW STICKS, SWEETS

THE SELLINDGE SOCIAL CLUB

### FOLKESTONE & HYTHE DISTRICT CORE STRATEGY REVIEW – FINAL CONSULTATION

**Consultation period** The consultation on the Main Modifications, Sustainability Appraisal and Habitats Regulations Assessment runs for a period of six weeks between 1<sup>st</sup> October 2021 until 5.00pm on 15<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

#### Availability of documents

Above documents are available to view online at <https://www.folkestone-hythe.gov.uk/Core-strategy-review-2020>

Alternatively, hard copies of the consultation documents are available to view at all local libraries within the district and at the Council offices in Folkestone during normal opening hours.

**How to comment** *Please note you can only vote on the modifications*

Please use one representation form for each Main Modification you wish to comment on. Representations can be made online by following the link to the council's website or by completing the representation form which is available to download at <https://www.folkestone-hythe.gov.uk/Core-strategy-review-2020>

Representation forms should be returned to the Strategy, Policy and Performance Team by emailing [planning.policy@folkestone-hythe.gov.uk](mailto:planning.policy@folkestone-hythe.gov.uk) ; or by post to Strategy, Policy and Performance, Folkestone & Hythe District Council, Castle Hill Avenue, Folkestone, Kent, CT20 2QY

### GARDEN WASTE SERVICE REBATE AGREED

The cost of next year's garden waste collection service will be reduced by nearly £10 for current subscribers. Folkestone & Hythe District Council agreed to a suspension of rounds between July and September as a result of the national shortage of HGV drivers and COVID-19 isolation requirements.

With the service now back up and running the 2022/23 subscription will be discounted by £9.70 for all existing customers because of the temporary break.

The cost reflects the five missed collection cycles over a 10 week period. A number of different rebate options were considered before being presented before cabinet members last night (20 October).

Cllr Stuart Peall – F&HDC Cabinet Member for Enforcement, Regulatory Services, Waste & Building Control – said: "It's been important that we find a solution that is both fair for our 15,000 garden waste subscribers and ensures administrative costs are not disproportionate.

"Historically the service has received very high levels of annual renewal so we feel this is the most convenient way to offer a rebate to all customers inconvenienced by the suspension."

The council continues to review performance on a daily basis and work with Veolia to address any early warning signs of any future potential disruption in order that services continue to operate.

For more information about garden waste collection service,

please visit [folkestone-hythe.gov.uk/recycling-waste-and-bins/garden-waste](https://www.folkestone-hythe.gov.uk/recycling-waste-and-bins/garden-waste)

## **SELLINDGE PARISH COUNCIL**

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Where does the time go, only a few weeks to Christmas! But just to reassure you all, your Parish Council has been working away in the back ground even through the full and partial lockdowns.

### **The office.**

You are now welcome to come and collect dog poo bags from the office again, or if you want to report an issue or as for advice, either myself or the Chairman can help in most cases.

If we are not sure we can point you in the right direction.

### **Planning**

The Taylor Wimpey development is continuing; however, I am aware that since Tom has left we don't have the same amount of good communication with the site manager and I have been made aware of a few problems and will be looking into this.

Nigel has been keeping abreast of the planning applications and now that meetings are face to face, it does make it easier to discuss the pros and cons of applications.

### **Churchyard**

The Church yard is now classed as closed; with your Parish Council now responsible for the maintenance.

It has taken a long time to get this resolved; the delays were many and varied but your Parish Council is now in a position to start working on the programme to maintain it. It is hoped that before long there will be access for people to the Churchyard with mobility problems, via a new path that is being considered.

### **Jubilee Garden**

You will see that Jason has managed to start on the 2012 Garden and this will be extended over time and this will make the junction colourful and bee friendly.

Talking of being bee friendly do please let me know what you think about having some different sized/shaped planters in the village. Send an email or drop in to the office.

### **Sellindge Lees.**

This has not yet been handed over to the Parish Council, the site manager, David Bradley and myself walked round Phase one and agreed some work that required to be carried out, as far as I am aware this has not yet happened; so, watch this space.

### **Newsletter**

To those of you who replied to Robert's questionnaire, thank you. The results of the questionnaire were that some people wanted to continue having a paper copy but also to have it on line as well. During the debate at the Finance Committee it was decided that we should ask residents that if they wish to have it delivered to register with the Parish Council office; this will mean that we can keep costs down, by only printing the actual number we need, but still have both paper and on-line available. Therefore, do register as quickly as possible, so that we can start looking at delivery at the beginning of next year.

### **2022 / 2023 PC Budget**

Your Parish Council is at the time of year when we are looking to agree 2022/23 budget, if you have any ideas on what you think may be a project you would like to see taken forward, again, do pop in to the office to let me know or email me. The deadline is 31<sup>st</sup> December for any suggestions.

The next meeting of your council is Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> November starting at 6.30pm in the Durling hall

From your Parish Council Clerk

Linda Hedley

**Dog Poo Bags** – Dog poo bags are still available from Nigel at Trust Cottages in Moorstock Lane, he puts them on a patio chair outside his house, as does the Chairman who places on the front garden wall if you phone him on his mobile 07710 260 751.

Also now available from the Dog Poo Bag dispenser which is located at the entrance to the Village Green.

### **SELLINDGE WALKING GROUP**

Sellindge Walking Group is now back up and running again. We meet at the Village Hall on a Tuesday morning at approximately 10.20am and set off at 10.30am.

We walk for 1 and 1/2 hours around the village using local footpaths.

This does involve crossing fields and climbing over stiles so appropriate footwear is advisable.

We are no longer part of the NHS Walking for Health Scheme just a group of locals who enjoy walking.

Everyone walks at their own risk.

## Jenny Hollingsbee and Susan Carey, Ward Councillors for North Downs West, F&H D C

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**The Queen's Green Canopy** - To mark the 70th anniversary of the Queen's Accession, a tree planting campaign is planned across the UK. The District Council will be involved in this Platinum Jubilee celebration which will both thank Her Majesty for her exceptional service and promote the importance of trees in the environment. We are working on a number of ways to plant sustainably through which the council and residents can create a legacy in honour of Her Majesty and benefit future generations. If you would like to purchase your own tree to mark the occasion then there is information here [www.queensgreencanopy.org](http://www.queensgreencanopy.org) Trees can be purchased from [www.woodlandtrust.org.uk](http://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk) Planting will take place during the tree planting season between October 2021 and March 2022 and begin again in October 2022 through to the end of the Jubilee year.

**Kerbside Waste Collections** – the collection of waste and garden waste is now reported as back to normal, however, please do let us know if you have problems. To compensate subscribers for the missed garden waste collections in 2021 there will be a reduction in the subscription for 2022. This will be done automatically and does not have to be applied for. (We will be seeking to reclaim this cost from our contractor Veolia but the reduction will be paid whatever the outcome of this claim.)

**Core Strategy Review** – A reminder that the consultation to this important local planning policy closes on 15 November. See [www.folkestone-hythe.gov.uk/Core-strategy-review-2020](http://www.folkestone-hythe.gov.uk/Core-strategy-review-2020) Comments can be made through the link on this website, by email to [planning.policy@folkestone-hythe.gov.uk](mailto:planning.policy@folkestone-hythe.gov.uk) or post to the Civic Centre. At this stage only the changes can be commented on and no new issues can be raised.

**Awards** – We're pleased to report that for the 8<sup>th</sup> year in a row your district council has been awarded the prestigious Customer Service Excellence Award from the Centre for Assessment with an improved score. We've also won Green Flag status from the environmental charity Keep Britain Tidy for three of the public spaces we run – the Lower Leas Coastal Park in Folkestone (which has also won a 2021 Travellers' Choice award from Tripadvisor), the Royal Military Canal in Hythe and Kingsnorth Gardens in Folkestone. All well worth a visit.

Locally we are pleased to report that we have been able to award district council ward member grants of £500 each towards the cost of resurfacing the tennis courts at the Sellindge Sports and Leisure Club and the same to Stowting primary school for their outdoor play area.

Susan attended the Sellindge Parish Council meeting on 19 October (Jenny had a Planning Committee meeting to attend at the District Council that evening) gave a joint report and answered questions.

Jenny attended the funeral of Joyce Cosgrave who lived in the Village for many years and who was an inspiration to many young people in their careers; Jenny was fortunate to work with her at Southlands/Marsh Academy. Our thoughts are with Maureen and the family at this time.

Jenny also attended the Sports & Social Club Meeting on 18 October.

**ASHFORD STOMA SUPPORT GROUP** – Ashford Stoma Support Group will be meeting in Sellindge Village Hall, Thursday November 25<sup>th</sup> from 2pm to 4pm. The Group meets on the last Thursday of the month.

## INDOOR TABLE TOP SALE

Indoor table top sale at Sellindge sports club in Swan Lane, Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> November 9am to 1pm.

Various stalls from craft to household, books, refreshments, and more. Plenty of free parking.

To book a £6 table or for more information please contact Jeanette on 07753 283 575.

Come and visit and have a look in with free entry on the day.

## SELLINDGE UNDER 14's FC

November  
Fixture list

06/11/21 10:00	SC Pass Move U14 Black	VS	Sellindge Sports & Social Club U14	SC Pass Move U14 Black
20/11/21 10:00	Sellindge Sports & Social Club U14	VS	TSS Youth U14	Sellindge Sports & Social Club, TN25 6HB
27/11/21 10:00	Hythe Town Youth U14 Colts	VS	Sellindge Sports & Social Club U14	South Road Recreation Ground, CT21 6AR #2



**FROM YOUR KCC COUNCILLOR** Susan Carey, Elham Valley Ward. [susan.carey@kent.gov.uk](mailto:susan.carey@kent.gov.uk) 01303 670 561  
There have been some reports in the media that winter road gritting will be affected by the HGV driver shortages. However, the teams who drive gritting vehicles for Kent Highways work full time for KCC and our partners so we do not expect to see any issues this winter. They are supplemented as usual by some of the local farmers who are issued with snow ploughs that can be attached to their tractors.

KCC is holding a consultation on its Heritage Strategy. Do have a look and I think you'll be surprised at quite how much it covers. One of the issues we'd like views on is whether the windmills owned by KCC (including the one at Stelling Minnis) should have a trust to operate them. We're also asking for views on metal detecting on KCC land. Please respond by 13<sup>th</sup> December

at [www.kent.gov.uk/about-the-council/have-your-say](http://www.kent.gov.uk/about-the-council/have-your-say)

On 2<sup>nd</sup> November KCC is holding its annual Kent Environment Strategy Conference to look at the progress made by KCC, Medway and our district council partners on the environment agenda. The conference is a mixture of in person and online and a YouTube recording will be available afterwards. Our Plan Bee (Pollinator Action Plan) will also be holding a conference on 23<sup>rd</sup> November. This will be entirely online and again will be available on YouTube afterwards.

The theme is on how linear structures such as roadside verges, railway embankments, waterways and paths in people's gardens can support pollinators and other wildlife.

The Kent Nature Partnership which is hosted by KCC is looking for a new Chairman as Dr Caroline Jessel who currently chairs it is soon to retire. Do have a look at <https://kentnature.org.uk/> and contact me if you'd like to know more about the role. We're looking for someone to follow Caroline who has experience in this area but above all a real interest, advancing the natural solutions to climate change work already under way. The Government has made funding available to KCC for one-off grants to help young people resume social and sporting activities. These Reconnect grants can be up to £8,000 and can be used for activities till August 2022. Full details at <https://www.kent.gov.uk/leisure-and-community/community-grants-and-funding/reconnect/locality-grant>

There are also Government grants available via the Kent Downs Area of Outstanding Beauty Unit for projects that support the natural environment.

See <https://kentdowns.org.uk/our-projects/farming-in-protected-landscapes/>

Finally, thank you to those who responded to the consultation about whether to keep the booking system for KCC's Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRCs). We received 10,635 responses which will take some time to be fully analysed. In the meantime we'll soon be trialling same day bookings at the Folkestone HWRC as it's already clear that this is something people want to see introduced.



From 1 November for 2 weeks our Tennis Courts will be resurfaced. This will mean that they will be closed during this period. After the works has been completed we'll be holding two key celebrations and as such would like to invite you along as a thank you for your support as villagers with fundraising over the past 9 months:

**Friday 26 November from 4.30 pm – Official re-opening of our courts ceremony –  
The ribbon cutting**

MP Damian Collins will be visiting to officially open our newly resurfaced courts. Having helped us so much with our fundraising events we'd love as many of you as possible to come along and celebrate with us.

**Saturday 27 November from 7.30 pm Court Resurfacing Celebrations**

We are going back to the 70s when the club was launched for a full on 70s party. This is a family event. The Tennis Committee will be in full 70s themed fancy dress. Feel free to join us in dressing up although it is optional. They'll be a 70s band and a 70s menu courtesy of the clubhouse.

£3 per adult (kids go free). £1.50 of each entry fee goes towards the band the rest goes into a pot with one lucky guest taking home the winnings. Prizes for best dressed junior and adult.

**Fencing:** We are still in the process of securing funding to replace our fencing which too is in dire repair. If we are successful, this could mean that we are able to update the fencing by the end of November or the beginning of December.

## VILLAGE HALL REGULAR EVENTS

### MONDAY

<b>RAINBOWS</b> –	4.00pm – 5.00pm	Main Hall -	01303 812297 (Term time)
<b>BROWNIES</b> –	5.15pm – 6.45pm	Main Hall -	01303 812297 (Term time)
<b>LINE DANCING</b> –	7.30pm – 9.00pm	Main Hall –	07753 274 913

### TUESDAY

<b>COFFEE &amp; COMPANY</b> –	9.00am – 1.00pm	Durling Hall	
<b>LINE DANCING – Beginners</b>	4.30pm – 5.30pm	Main Hall –	07989 210 449
<b>LINE DANCING</b> –	6.00pm – 7.00pm	Main Hall –	07989 210 449
<b>PARISH COUNCIL</b>	2nd Tuesday of the month at 6.30pm Durling Hall – Chair 07710 260 751, Clerk 01303 813 271		

### WEDNESDAY

<b>GUIDE DOG TRAINING</b> –	10.00am – 12.00 Noon	Main Hall	
<b>GET TOGETHER CLUB</b> –	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month 2.00pm – 4.00pm Main Hall		
<b>KARATE</b> –	4.30pm – 5.30pm	Main Hall	01227 370 055 (office hours)
<b>BEES BODS</b> (Dance exercise) –	5.45pm – 6.45pm	Main Hall –	01303 813 274
<b>AEROBIC BODY BLAST</b> –	7.00pm - 8.00pm	Main Hall –	01233 820 109
<b>ANGEL CENTRE</b> –	4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month 7.30 – 9.30pm Durling Hall		

### THURSDAY

<b>STOMA SUPPORT GROUP</b>	Last Thursday of the month 2.00pm – 4.00pm Durling Hall		
<b>TAEKWONDO</b> –	Various classes from 5.15pm Main Hall 01303 814635		
<b>LINE DANCING</b> –	10.30am - 11.30am	Main Hall –	07989 210 449
<b>LINE DANCING</b> –	12.00pm - 1.30pm	Main Hall –	07989 210 449

### FRIDAY

<b>GARDENERS</b> –	3 <sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month 2.00pm – 4.00pm Durling Hall 01843 597 710		
<b>CUBS</b> –	6.00pm -7.30pm, <b>BEAVERS</b> - 6.00-7.00pm, <b>SCOUTS</b> - 7.30-9.00pm,		
<b>EXPLORERS</b>	7.30—9.00pm.	01303 813 250.	<a href="mailto:1stsellindgesg@gmail.com">1stsellindgesg@gmail.com</a>

### SUNDAY

<b>BLOOMING YOGA</b> –	6.30pm – 7.30pm	Main Hall	
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### **SELLINDGE SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB**

We have coming up in November

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> November – Fireworks night gates open 5.30pm prices £4 adults £2 children, family ticket £10 for 2 adults, 2 children, Food and drinks available.

Bingo every Thursday at 8pm

Pizza nights, wed and Thursday with local delivery available

Fish and chips takeaway and delivery Friday night

Sunday Roast available to eat in/takeaway and delivery 1 till 5pm every week

Table top sale Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> November 9am till 1pm

Taking booking for 2022 for room hire, dates are filling up fast.

Christmas Breakfast Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> December, more details to come.

**Sellindge Tennis Club** has been selected as a nominated CO-OP community cause.

If you are a CO-OP member you can select ‘Sellindge Tc’ and 2p of every £1 you spend will go to our club for the next 12 months.

If you aren't a CO-OP member you can sign up for £1 here!!! <https://www.coop.co.uk/local-causes>

## STOUR DOWNS PARISH

Vicar's letter – November 2021

November is a month of darkness and light: we have the bright fireworks, sparklers and bonfires of the fifth, the nights draw in, we wear bright red poppies, and we pause to remember those we have lost at Remembrance and in the Christian calendar on All Souls Day.

The very things that are traditional to mark this month themselves are rather sombre – the devastating global conflicts of the recent past, the loss of loved ones and even the story behind November 5<sup>th</sup>, which we might perhaps forget, is one of attempted murder and gruesome punishment.

Into this darkness, our traditions shine some light, whether that is lighting a candle to remember someone special, the bright red poppy that grew in battlefields, the warming bonfire on a chilly dark evening with joyful fireworks lighting up the sky (I know not everyone finds fireworks a joy – the bangs are a challenge to pet owners especially as they go on for many nights).

The poppy gave hope and real help to many who had survived the battles but were injured and unable to provide for themselves or their families. Today, the Royal British Legion – of which I am proud to be a Chaplain to a branch within our Parish – continues to support servicemen and women. When you pop some coins into a collecting tin for your poppy this November, perhaps think of the hope and light this gives to whoever is helped by your donation.

As the symbols of hope and light in our traditions of November dispel the darkness and shadows, for Christians the symbol of the cross is one that is a reminder of light and hope triumphing over darkness and despair. The cross was the worst kind of punishment, much like the punishment that befell Guy Fawkes was the worst of his times, but from the cross as a place of darkness and despair came the victory over death through Jesus' resurrection. Today, in whatever shadows we face, we can find the light and hope of knowing God is with us, through prayer, scripture, reflection and worship – or simply discovering a closeness to the creator in the beautiful world around us (especially in the marvellous Stour Downs).

God Bless

*Chris*

### CHURCH SERVICES IN St MARY'S CHURCH SELLINDGE – NOVEMBER

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November - Remembrance Sunday 10:30am**

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> November - Stir Up Sunday at the Church at 3pm**



*Disclaimer – The views are the views of those making the submissions and is not necessarily the views of the Editor or Parish Council*

St Mary's



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11-12 DECEMBER

10AM - 5PM

SELLINDGE CHURCH

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empower your  
community.