



BUXTED

PARISH COUNCIL

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2nd April 2025

The Chairman and Members of the Council,

NOTICE OF MEETING

You are summoned to attend the meeting of Buxted Parish Council to be held on **Tuesday 8th April 2025 in Five Ash Down Village Hall directly following the planning committee meeting.**

The public have a right and are welcome to attend and at the discretion of the Chairman, members of the public may ask questions prior to the commencement of the business proper. Any Police update will be given at this point.

AGENDA

- 1 Apologies for absence – Cllr Mallett
- 2 To receive declarations of personal, prejudicial, and disclosable pecuniary interests on items on the agenda and updates to members' register of interests
- 3 Minutes of the 11th March 2025 meeting (previously circulated) to be confirmed and signed
- 4 **Proposed changes to procurement points in Financial Regulations & Review of Asset Register March 2025 in preparation for end of year audit**
- 5 ESCC/WDC report

ESCC - Updates on state of road/footpaths on Gordon Road and hedge at Heatherwode Farm.

Thank you to Buxted Together and Brighter Uckfield Volunteers for the footpath work carried out on A272.

- 6 Outstanding matters – For Information Only unless otherwise stated:
 - Public footpaths
 - Trees
 - Road Safety
 - Wealden Local Development Framework – Local Plan
 - Property issues
 - **Replacement bus shelter, Coopers Green**
 - Communications Matters: Website
- 7 Correspondence – as listed and subsequently updated and circulated at the meeting

P1 - ESALC - Reorganisation of local government in East Sussex

P2 - Nus Ghani - You're Invited to a Q&A Session with Nusrat Ghani MP 28 April 4pm

- 8 Committee meetings
- 9 Finance: (i) to approve invoices for payment by BACS and Direct Debit - to be tabled (ii) To receive bank reconciliations to the financial year end 31.3.25; (iii) To note the financial year end 31.3.25 RBS reports: Trial balance, ear marked reserves, summary receipts and payment, cash and investment reconciliation (iv) Cllr Roberts - feedback from clerks' appraisals: review of salary
- 10 Reports on other meetings attended by members
- 11 Members questions
- 12 Announcements –
- a) Chairman of the Council b) Clerk to the Council



R Macklen, Clerk to the Council

Copy to ESCC Cllr R Galley, WDC Cllr Shaw

Ongoing and recently resolved Highways issues:

DATE RAISED	CASE NO	DESCRIPTION	OPEN/CLOSED RESOLUTION
2003	HED000607	Overgrown hedge at Heatherwode Farm	Ongoing since 2023. Highways Enforcement have sent out notices which expired in December 2024. A further notice is to be issued week beginning 20 th January. 13/2/25 – clerk chased – was notice issued? Has it lapsed? 25/02/25 – Highways confirm hedge has still not been cut . Referred to relevant team for further action.
November 2024	EA007FRAMFIELD	Culvert, Framfield Road, Buxted	Collapsed drainage leading to culvert. Reported sometime ago. Highway advised works need planning and extensive repair. 19/3 – Highways contacted PC to advise Structural Team will contact PC to arrange a site meeting likely to be in April.
December 2024	CFW000627	Cracks in roadside/kerbs on A272 close to Buxted School	ONGOING 25/1/25 – notified repairs works have been completed. 28/1/25 – more broken kerbside reported at SLR meeting – Highway Steward will investigate.
17/01/25	DGD005096	Just off of Limes Lane and you go towards Nan Tucks Lane (outside of a property named Orchard House – the	CLOSED 17/01/25 – Highways advise they are already aware of issue, and it should be resolved in 28 days.

		drain is overflowing	Superseded by a previous issue and should now be resolved.
04/02/25	THF003389	Width of footpath between Limes Lane and Pound Green Lane – request to cut back and uncover footpath	CLOSED 10/02/25 – Highway Steward has inspected and does not consider works are needed at this time but would keep an eye on it. 14/02/25 – Raised with Cllr Galley at meeting. He is raising this issue again with Highways March 25 - Issue now CLOSED after work carried out by Cllr Furber
17/02/25	CCY000737	Broken away tarmac (50cm) in Framfield Road/Limes Lane outside KSV and bollard fallen over	REOPENED 20/02/25 – ESCC Highways do not consider work is necessary at this time but would continue to monitor – Raise again with Highways 17/3 – Highway Steward revisited. Road still does not meet criteria, but bollard will be replaced.
01/04/25	SIG001838 SIG001838	Outside of 4 Cherry Garden Cottages, Royal Oak Lane, High Hurstwood	ONGOING 30mph signs One fallen into the hedge One twisted

Ionides Trust Update 8th April 2025:

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Declarations of Interest**
- 3. Scout Hut – update**
- 4. Scouts request for a Scout Hut opening party Saturday 5th July 4-9pm**
- 5. Annual Insurance Quote**
- 6. Any feedback from installation of new play equipment**
- 7. Notification of Basil Ionides Memorial Trust AGM 13th May 2025**