



SUMMONS AND AGENDA

To All Members of The Council:

Councillor K Turner-Burgin (Chair)
Councillor K Clarke
Councillor D Hammock
Councillor A Munday (Vice-Chair)
Councillor J Turner-Burgin
Councillor S Weeks
Councillor T Williams

You are summoned to attend the
Meeting of the Parish Council to be held on:
Monday 10th February 2025, 7:00pm
Bean Village Hall
High Street, Bean DA2 8AS

For the purpose of transacting the business as detailed on the attached
agenda

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Parish Clerk

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**AGENDA
BEAN PARISH COUNCIL
Monday 10th February 2025
at 7.00pm
at
Bean Village Hall**

Members to note that following a resolution passed at the October 2010 Meeting, Item 7, and in accordance with Standing Orders 12a the Minutes of the previous meeting will be taken as read.

	Agenda Item
1	<u>Apologies for absence</u>
2	<u>Declarations of interest</u> 2.1 To receive any updates to the Register of Interests 2.2 To receive any declarations of interest against an agenda item. 2.2.1 To NOTE that Cllr. Hammock sits on DBC Development Board and therefore will refrain from any discussions or decisions regarding planning matters.
3	<u>Public Participation (Local Government Act, s 100)</u> The council meets and makes its decisions in public. A council meeting is not a public meeting. It is a meeting held in public and there is no requirement in law which allows members of the public to speak at such meetings. However, the council is keen to encourage public attendance at meetings and will therefore provide an opportunity to local registered electors to show it is committed to community engagement. A maximum of 3 minutes is allowed per person to speak and the total length of time afforded for public participation at each meeting shall be no more than 10 minutes, subject to an extension of this time, in exceptional circumstances, being agreed by the Chairman.
4	<u>Minutes</u> 4.1 To APPROVE the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 13 th January 2025 that they be received as a true and complete record and that the resolutions contained therein be deemed to be the resolutions of the Council. <i>RECOMMENDATION:</i> <i>That the Minutes of the Parish Council held on 13th January 2025 be approved and adopted as a true record</i>
5	<u>Items for Consideration</u> The Chairman will announce his decision as to whether any items received for consideration since agenda production, are suitably urgent to be discussed at the meeting, and indicate their position on the agenda.
6	<u>Correspondence</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - E-watch Newsletters - Rural Services network The Rural Bulletin – 14, 21, 28 Jan, 4 Feb

- Rural Services funding information
- CPRE February newsletter
- My Community Voice
- To note Kent County Council (KCC) Financial Hardship team have secured funds from Kent and Medway Public Health through Kent and Medway Suicide Prevention team for a third round of the Parish Council Support Scheme.
- ‘Pensioner Just Missing Out Scheme’ - Kent County Council
<https://www.kent.gov.uk/leisure-and-community/cost-of-living-support/find-help-and-support-with-money-worries/pensioner-just-missing-out-scheme>
- Elders Forum - Monday 24th March 2025 Acacia Hall, Darent Suite, Dartford, DA1 1DJ, beginning at 10:00am
- Offer from EDC to attend Bean PC meeting (EDC’s last visit was in July 2023), to attend to provide and update on progress and plans for the Ebbsfleet area If BPC would like them to attend, the Council is requested to provide a brief on what would be most useful for them to present.
- To receive and discuss the response from Shafick Peerbux, Head of Community Safety, Community Protection, Growth and Communities at Kent County Council to the questions raised by Cllr. Williams regarding the removal of Warden provision in Bean, at the KALC hosted seminar with regard to Community Warden coverage in North Kent
- BPC has been asked if the Parish Council wishes to consider replacing their old bus shelters with existing DBC bus shelters that are likely to be replaced as a result of the new bus shelters that will be installed across Dartford. DBC are able to consider this because of the Council’s new bus shelter contract. At this stage, they are only asking for identified old shelters that the Parish Councils may wish to replace, it is not a confirmation that the old bus shelters will be replaced.

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7.1 New Devolution Page

To ensure our councils have access to the latest information, we have now launched a Devolution Page on our website (Devolution | Kent Association of Local Councils). This page will be regularly updated as soon as we receive confirmation on the Devolution Priority Programme and will serve as a central hub for resources, guidance, and updates on this evolving process.

We will continue to keep you informed and will share further details once we receive official confirmation. In the meantime, if you have any questions or would like to discuss devolution in your area, please get in touch.

<https://www.kentalc.gov.uk/devolution>

7.2 Dartford Area Committee

The next Dartford Area Committee Meeting will be held online on the 17th February. The start time will be 7.30pm.

7.3 Civility and Respect Pledge

www.nalc.gov.uk/our-work/civility-and-respect-project

To consider BPC signing this pledge

By signing the Pledge, the council is agreeing that the council will treat councillors, clerks, employees, members of the public, and representatives of partner organisations and volunteers with civility and respect in their roles and that it:

- Has put in place a training programme for councillors and staff
- Has signed up to the Code of Conduct for councillors
- Has good governance arrangements in place including staff contracts and a dignity at work policy
- Will seek professional help at the early stages should civility and respect issues

	<p>arise</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will commit to calling out bullying and harassment if and when it happens • Will continue to learn from best practices in the sector and aspire to be a role model/champion council through for example the local Local Council Award Scheme • Supports the continued lobbying for change in legislation to support the Civility and Respect Pledge including sanctions for elected members where appropriate <p>7.4 Devolution update The Deputy Prime Minister has announced that Kent has not been accepted onto the Devolution Priority Programme and as such will not be postponing elections.</p>
8	<p><u>Parish Forum</u> No matters to consider at time of publication.</p>
9	<p><u>GDPR</u> No matters to consider at time of publication.</p>
10	<p><u>Consultations</u> Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs) bring together agencies and organisations to work jointly to reduce crime and anti-social behaviour (ASB) in their local areas. CSPs are legally required to carry out an audit of crime and disorder each year by collating relevant information held by partner agencies to help identify community safety priorities so that resources and efforts can be best targeted. However, the Partnership recognises that it is important not to rely on recorded statistics alone. The roots and causes of crime and ASB can be complex and we want to hear the views of local residents and people who live in Dartford on how crime and disorder affects them and what they feel are the priorities within their neighbourhoods.</p> <p>The findings from this survey will be used to supplement the recorded data that we have gathered and will be taken into consideration as the Partnership develops a new Community Safety Strategy for 2025-2028.</p> <p>The consultation will close on Sunday 2nd March 2025. https://online1.snapsurveys.com/Interview/83e34a1c-094a-40f6-a551-565258b4046b</p>
11	<p><u>Kent Police</u> No matters to consider at time of publication.</p>
12	<p><u>Planning</u> To NOTE the following</p> <p>12.1 Weekly planning lists from DBC including Planning Decisions taken under delegated powers</p> <p>12.2 Weekly planning lists from EDC</p> <p>To CONSIDER</p> <p>12.3 24/01470/FUL Land To North And South Of Station Road Proposed construction, operation and maintenance of a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) with associated infrastructure (including batteries in storage containers, a sub station and inverters) and works including highway access, landscaping and biodiversity enhancements. https://publicaccess.dartford.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=documents&keyVal=SOYGU4BQK8H00</p>

	<p>12.4 25/00034/FUL Three Oaks Southfleet Road Demolition of existing side extension and proposed new roof construction (comprising raising height of roof, rear dormer window and roof light in front roof slope) to provide habitable accommodation in roof space and french doors to side south elevation.</p> <p>To note PERMISSION GRANTED for the following</p> <p>12.5 DA/24/01205/FUL 15 Beacon Drive Bean Kent DA2 8BE Erection of a two-storey side and first floor side extension</p>										
13	<p><u>Highways</u> 13.1 Temporary Road Closure - Shellbank Lane, Bean & Darenth - 10th February 2025 for 5 days. The road will be closed for the entire length.</p>										
14	<p><u>Environmental Issues</u> No matters to consider at time of publication.</p>										
15	<p><u>Footpaths</u> No matters to consider at time of publication.</p>										
16	<p><u>Beacon Woods</u> 16.1 To receive an update on the parking arrangements at the Country Park together with a breakdown of income. 16.2 TMS Protection costs for Beacon Woods. To CONSIDER invoicing FoBW for 6 months charges for locking up Beacon Wood Country Park for the period 9 September 2024 – 8 March 2025</p> <p><i>RECOMMENDATION</i> <i>That FoBW be invoiced for the locking up of Beacon Wood Country Park for 6 months, 9 September 2024 -8 March 2025, 181 days at £9.475 per day, total £1,714.98.</i></p>										
17	<p><u>Recreation Facilities</u> No matters to consider at time of publication.</p>										
18	<p><u>Bean Village Hall</u> No matters to consider at time of publication.</p>										
19	<p><u>Allotment Association</u> No matters to consider at time of publication.</p>										
20	<p><u>Residents' Association</u> 20.1 To NOTE the Minutes of the meeting held on 6th January 2025 20.2 To NOTE the agenda and supporting papers for the meeting on 3rd February 2025.</p>										
21	<p><u>Finance</u> 21.1 Balance as at 31 January 2025 on all accounts</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="331 1899 1209 2085"> <tr> <td colspan="2"><u>Bean Parish Council</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Reserve Account</td> <td>15,129.99</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Current Account (No. 1 account)</td> <td>681.61</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Petty Cash</td> <td>17.66</td> </tr> <tr> <td>TOTAL</td> <td>15,829.26</td> </tr> </table>	<u>Bean Parish Council</u>		Reserve Account	15,129.99	Current Account (No. 1 account)	681.61	Petty Cash	17.66	TOTAL	15,829.26
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Current Account (No. 2 account)	15,409.17
Petty Cash	41.54
TOTAL	15,450.71

21.2 Bank and Scribe reports up to 31 January 2025

To receive and discuss the following

- Co-op Bank transactions on all accounts 1- 31 January 2025
- Bank reconciliation on all accounts as at 31 January 2025 to be agreed and signed
- Monthly breakdown of receipts and payments
- Net position by cost centre and code
- Receipts and payments forecast
- Summary of receipts and payments all cost centres and codes
- Cost centre year comparisons

21.3 Internal Audit

Will take place on Monday 12th May at Bean Village Hall, time to be advised.

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Items of interest

22.1 Chair's Items

22.2 Borough Councillor's Items

22.3 Members' Item

22.4 Clerk's Items

To receive the Clerk's report