



FARNINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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Farningham Parish Council met in the Shand Hall at St Peter and St Paul's Church on Wednesday, 9th April, and present were four Parish Councillors, Kent County Councillor Roger Gough, Sevenoaks District Councillor Alan White and the Clerk Helen Penney.

Neighbourhood Plan:

Sevenoaks District Council have confirmed that Farningham and Eynsford can move forward with a Neighbourhood Plan. Both parishes are keen to hear from any residents who would like to be involved in the discussion about the future of the village. We have arranged a drop in event on Monday 2nd June 2025 @ 7pm, Farningham Village Hall, High Street, Farningham where we will be discussing the project, answer any questions you may have and to hear from a speaker who will share their experiences and examples of Neighbourhood Plans that they have been involved with. Eynsford are holding an event on Thursday 22nd May at 10am, St Martins Church, Eynsford. We apologise if this date has passed by the time this issue of the Trident makes it to you. Everyone from both villages is very welcome at both events.

Please contact our Clerk if you are curious as to what is involved.

Parish Vacancies:

We remain very keen to recruit one more Parish Councillor from our community. It is not an onerous job and can be very rewarding. Please contact one of the Parish Councillors to discuss the role or our Clerk if you would like information on how you could be co-opted.

Kent County Council Elections:

We would like to extend a big thank you to Roger Gough, our County Councillor and Leader of Kent County Council, who lost his seat to Reform candidate Marc Logan in the KCC elections earlier this month. Roger has served the Farningham community with dedication for over twenty years by regularly attending Parish Council meetings, supporting local projects and sharing his wealth of experience and knowledge, all of which have significantly benefited our residents and the local area. We wish Roger all the best for the future and look forward to meeting and working with our new County Councillor Marc Logan.

Farningham Summer Fete:

Save The Date. This year's summer fete raising funds for Farningham church will be held on Saturday 14th June in Market Meadow, Noon - 3pm.

Fly Tipping, Farningham Woods Car Park:

Following a number of fly tipping incidents in the Farningham Woods car park at the end of Calfstock Lane, new crash barrier style fencing has been put into place to discourage any further tipping. The car park remains accessible to cars/vans.

PC Guest:

Our local PC, Caleb Guest, attended the PC meeting in April to inform us how Kent Police patrol the area and to address concerns which were brought to the table. The public are encouraged to report crimes or suspicious behaviour either on 999 in the case of an emergency, 101 or via the Kent Police website for non-emergencies: www.kent.police.uk

Newsletter:

Everyone should have received our most recent to newsletter. Please let us know if this hasn't happened and we can arrange to drop one to you asap.

The Space:

The community hub at the Riverside Club meets every Wednesday, 9am-1pm. There is plenty going on for all ages and is proving very popular. Just go along on the day or find out more information on their activities from the website www.dvcc.online/the-space/

Updates:

If you would like more frequent updates from Farningham Parish Council they are available on Facebook or by email. To receive email updates, please complete the sign up box at the foot of the home page www.farninghamparishcouncil.org

The Facebook link is www.facebook.com/farninghampc

Our next Parish Council meeting is on Wednesday, 14th May 2025, 7pm in the Shand Hall, which will have passed by the time this issue makes it to you. Future meetings are on the 11th June and 9th July. There is an allocation of time for public participation and if you would like to attend please contact the Clerk via the links at the head of this page.