

LOWER HALSTOW PARISH COUNCIL - ANNUAL ASSEMBLY APRIL 2018.

Chairman's Report:

An additional Councillor (Rod Dadson) has joined the team and along with last appointed Councillor Allyson Beerstecher we now have a formidable team of Parish Councillors. Welcome to the Council's annual parish assembly.

During the past year further procedural changes have been undertaken to ensure compliance with legislation and fiscal procedure. Principally, new requirements to cover GDPR (Data protection legislation) have needed training and will require contractor support for auditing. Also, the Parish Council has set up a Finance Working Group to improve financial control and planning for future requirements.

The working groups have all worked well and achieved noticeable results; not least of all the Friends of the Brickfields, where significant work packages have been organised and completed.

Some of the recent projects completed by Parish actions are:

- (1) The completion and issue of the "Community Emergency plan"
- (2) The replacement fencing at the Tutts allotment area.
- (3) The provision of a Lifebelt at the Dock area, and
- (4) The pro-active installation of "bollard" obstructions to protect the Gibbs amenity area. (Utilising condemned tree sections to prevent unlawful access by vehicles.

Many of the other projects, not listed, have only been possible by the continued support of our Borough Councillors -- Cllr, Ben Stokes, and Cllr Duncan Dewar-Whalley and our Kent County Councillor Mike Whiting.

I wish to offer grateful thanks to these Councillors on a personal basis and on behalf of the Parish Council.

Finally, I wish to thank "my team".

The Parish Councillors have made all these and many other items happen by their hard work and generously given time. Equally, I wish to give thanks to our excellent Clerk, Mrs Smith, and the village handyman for their efforts in keeping the village clean, safe and tidy.

It has been a pleasure to serve the village during the last year, and I wish to thank all concerned as we strive to keep our village the lovely place that we live in.

Rob. Smith.
Chairman
April 2018.



Community Emergency Plan

Lower Halstow

Developed by: Nigel Randell / Steve Gates

Revision No: 03

Date: 6 February 2018

Date of next review: Annually and following an emergency.

