



**Working for the Community  
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## **December 2019 News**

### **We Work for You:**

Two months ago Rotherfield Parish Council launched our drop-in surgery's and met parishioners in the Deer Park Café, Sussex Country Gardener café, the Courtyard café and the Catts Inn. We sat there waiting expectantly with our coffee and were delighted to have members of our parish come and join us. We had colourful conversations about footpaths, the Kings Arms, speeding, clocks and footpaths. Every conversation was documented and referred onto the relevant council committee.

We would now like to ask for feedback from parishioners to see if they would like these to continue in the new year and if they have any changes and suggestions on how you would like to communicate and engage with your Parish Councillors.

### **VE Day Celebrations:**

A working party has been formed to discuss and organise the events for marking the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of VE Day. It has been agreed to hold a Street Party on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May in line with the national Bank Holiday and a special service of commemoration and commitment on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May at St Denys' Church. More information will be sent to each household in the New Year.

### **Fingerposts across the Parish:**

Work continues to on the repairs to the traditional wooden roadside fingerposts and hopefully you should see these reappearing across the Parish over the winter months. In the meantime, please do not be alarmed if you spot that they are missing.

### **Dog fouling in Mark Cross:**

There have been increasing reports to the Council of Dog Fouling taking place in Mark Cross, particularly along the footpaths and areas leading to the centre of the village. Wealden Streetscene have been informed and will monitor and hopefully provide some signs. We would also like to ask Parishioners to ensure that you pick up your Dog Mess and place it in the bins provided.

### **Pavements in Mark Cross:**

The Parish Council are aware of the poor condition of the footpath surface by Deilsfoot Cottages Mark Cross - from the Church past the cottages. We have reported this to East Sussex Highways and asked our groundwork contractor to cut back the grass and other growth along the edges of the path which is currently narrowing it. We will keep you informed of the progress.





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**Surgery Car Park:**

Areas of the-surgery car park have been tarmacked with the help of the Rotherfield Trust and work is ongoing to line it to create the maximum amount of car spaces.

Work is due to start on the fascia and soffits in early December.

**A Merry Christmas to you all:**

As this is the Christmas edition of the Parish Magazine, we would like to take this opportunity to wish you all very happy and safe Christmas.

Whilst we are always pleased to receive posts and tweets from residents on our Facebook and Twitter sites please could any messages seeking or requiring action be made via email to [clerk@rotherfieldparishcouncil.co.uk](mailto:clerk@rotherfieldparishcouncil.co.uk), or if urgent phone 01892 664245. Thank you for your cooperation.

**Forthcoming Council & Committee Meeting Dates**

If you have any issue that you would like to raise with the Parish Council, please do not hesitate to contact any of the Councillors or the Parish Clerk. All are welcome to attend our meetings and if you have an issue that you would like to raise please forward it to the Clerk so that a response may be considered. Please be aware that if a matter involves a decision from the Council it must appear on the agenda of a meeting and it is suggested that notification is advised at least a week before the meeting date.

**December 2019**

Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Communications & Social Media	Rotherfield Village Hall
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Finance & General Purpose	Rotherfield Village Hall
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Planning & Building	Rotherfield Village Hall
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Parish Council Meeting	Rotherfield Village Hall

**January 2020**

Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January	Planning & Building Committee	Rotherfield Village Hall
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> January	Highways, Lighting & Transport	Mark Cross Community Centre (TBC?)
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> January	Recreation & Burial Committee	Rotherfield Village Hall
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> January	Planning & Building Committee	Rotherfield Village Hall
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> January	Parish Council Meeting	Rotherfield Village Hall

All of the above meetings start at 19:30 and are generally held in the Parish Council Room at Rotherfield Village Hall unless otherwise stated on the Agenda. Members of the public are welcome to attend. Draft minutes of meetings are added to the Parish Council website, and circulated via Twitter and Facebook, approximately 5 days after each meeting.

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