

**TOWN CLERK'S REPORT TO A MEETING OF FAVERSHAM TOWN
COUNCIL held on 13th MAY 2019**

To report on correspondence received or forwarded.

1. PLASTIC FREE FAVERSHAM

Plastic Free Faversham has received funding to bring a 50ft whale, which is a 'theatre' where a local theatre group called 'Circo Rum Ba Ba' perform a show inside about the dangers of plastic in the ocean, to the town. As they are a volunteer group they are seeking assistance with the health and safety aspect for the event, which would involve writing the Event Management Plan and seeking the necessary permissions.

2. WEST STREET

A resident has asked for an update on the weight restriction to West Street.

3. HERITAGE HARBOUR TRUST – FRONT BRENTS JETTY

A request has been received, on behalf of the Heritage Harbour Trust, for access to the Jetty in order to undertake a survey with a view carrying out repairs rather than replacement.

4. KALC SAC

Members are asked to note the Agenda for the KALC Swale Area Committee AGM on 17th June

Louise Bareham
Town Clerk
10th May 2019



TOWN CLERK – MS LOUISE BAREHAM
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9th November 2018

Mr Paul Brand
Schemes Project Manager
Highways, Transportation and Waste
Kent County Council
Ashford Highway Depot
Javelin Way
Ashford
Kent TN24 8AD

Dear Mr Brand

Thank you for your email dated 14 September 2018. The following response is sent on behalf of the Members of Faversham Town Council.

The reason for the request for a 7.5 tonne weight restriction in the Town of Faversham is the danger being caused by heavy Lorries that, by accident or design, do not take the Western Link and A2 Ospringe Street route to get to the M2 Motorway but come through the centre of Faversham. This is likely to become worse as monitoring of lorry movements in Ospringe Street increases and in fact, since the publicity on air quality on A2 at Ospringe, some local companies are switching their journeys to less suitable routes

If those drivers are not familiar to Faversham, or act irresponsibly to avoid monitoring or to avoid delays, there are two other routes that they may take that are very problematical. One is Priory Road, Davington Hill, West Street, South Road, and Ospringe Road. The other is Western Link, Bysing Would Road, West Street, South Road, and Ospringe Road. Coming the other way the route would go through Napleton Road and not West Street. There is also another route that could be used if restrictions were applied to West Street and Napleton Road in the lorry drivers might try to use Stonebridge Way and that eventuality needs to be anticipating.

These roads are unsuitable for heavy lorries, as they are narrow Victorian or Medieval streets with inadequate paths and in some cases these narrow roads have cars parked both sides, and often the lorries can hardly get through. The houses are in some cases have no foundations and are being seriously damaged. Advisory signs have no effect on reducing the volume of Lorries on these Medieval Streets.

The residents of these streets are experiencing unacceptable living conditions with the risk of injury and of pollutions. Their quality of life is being immeasurably damaged. These streets are not really a thoroughfare but residential streets and they need to be kept as such. The Planning application for extending the operations of the waste facility in Oare is causing huge concerns to residents,

With our local knowledge we hope that we have provided a cost-effective solution to these problems and we trust that you in these circumstances you will be prepared to support the weigh restriction on the Lorries in the residential street detailed, that we propose.

The Town Council appreciates the considerable financial constraints that Kent Highways operates under but it would like to work with KCC on a consultations and proposed scheme to work out how much it would cost.

Yours sincerely

Louise Bareham

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Town Clerk

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From: Paul.Brand@kent.gov.uk
Sent: 31 January 2019 11:10
To: Louise Bareham
Subject: RE: Request for 7.5 tonne weight limit in Faversham (our reference CSM 12406586)

Louise

We met to discuss the comments raised in your letter.

The first point to note is that, if there is evidence of individual vehicles using inappropriate roads, this is something that our Freight team can pursue with the operator. To do so, we would need the date and time of the incident, the location and the company name. Photographic evidence would of course be helpful. This can be sent to Freight@kent.gov.uk and Annette will investigate.

Before we look at this any further, it would be helpful to understand the scale of the actual problem and why drivers are choosing to take these routes. If you can let us know particular locations, we can look to commission some full-week traffic surveys.

Regards
Paul

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From: Brand, Paul - GT HTW
Sent: 03 January 2019 08:12
To: 'Louise Bareham' <louise.bareham@favershamtowncouncil.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: Request for 7.5 tonne weight limit in Faversham (our reference CSM 12406586)

Louise

Yes, my apologies for our delay – I should have at least acknowledged the letter. I am waiting on comments from others, including our freight team, and it's now been delayed with people being on leave over the Christmas break. I'll try to chase up when people are back in the next week.

Thanks
Paul

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From: Louise Bareham <louise.bareham@favershamtowncouncil.gov.uk>
Sent: 02 January 2019 17:54

To: Brand, Paul - GT HTW <Paul.Brand@kent.gov.uk>

Subject: Fwd: Request for 7.5 tonne weight limit in Faversham (our reference CSM 12406586)

Dear Paul

I have not received any acknowledgment for the attached letter. I would be most grateful if you could provide a response at your earliest convenience and look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

Louise

Louise Bareham
Town Clerk
Faversham Town Council
01795 503288

Begin forwarded message:

From: Louise Bareham <louise.bareham@favershamtowncouncil.gov.uk>

Date: 9 November 2018 at 16:23:22 GMT

To: "Paul.Brand@kent.gov.uk" <Paul.Brand@kent.gov.uk>

Subject: RE: Request for 7.5 tonne weight limit in Faversham (our reference CSM 12406586)

Dear Paul

Please find attached a letter in response, as agreed by Members.

Kind Regards

Louise

Louise Bareham PSLCC
Town Clerk

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From: KALC SAC <kalc.sac@gmail.com>
Sent: 09 May 2019 18:26
To: jefftutt@btinternet.com; mikebaldock@swale.gov.uk; rfp.npc@gmail.com; Dave Austin; grahamaddicott@hotmail.com
Subject: Agenda for AGM 17th June 2019 KALC SAC
Attachments: Agenda 17.06.19.pdf

Dear Clerk

Please find attached Agenda for the next meeting on the 17th June 2019 at Swale House.

I would be extremely grateful if you would forward this to all of your Parish Councillors as it is the AGM of Swale Area Committee. Please let me have any nominations for the roles as listed on the Agenda before 3rd June 2019.

Due to the poor turnout at the last meeting, it would be appreciated if you would acknowledge receipt of this email and confirm attendance from your parish.

Kind regards

Nicola Butlin
Secretary
KALC SAC

KENT ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS SWALE AREA COMMITTEE

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Secretary Nicola Butlin
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A G E N D A

**for the Meeting to be held on the 17th June, 2019 @ 7.30pm in Council
Chambers Swale House East Street Sittingbourne**

1. Welcome and apologies
2. Agree the Minutes of the last meeting held on 11th March 2019
3. Matters Arising
4. Police update from Chief Inspector Alan Rogers
5. Speakers
 - Air Ambulance – the role of this vital and much needed charity in Kent, Surrey and Sussex
 - James Freeman – Town Planner for Swale Borough Council. A 30 minute talk on what the head of the Department does. An ideal opportunity for you to ask him questions on everything to do with planning.
6. F&GP update
7. Correspondence
8. Any other business
9. Speakers for the next meeting

10. Appointments of the following posts for the 2019/20 KALC SAC Committee

- Chairman
- Vice Chairman
- Secretary
- General Purposes Committee (5 vacancies)
- PCC Delegate
- KCRP rep
- KALC Executive Committee (2 posts)

Please forward all nominations to SAC Secretary kalc.sac@gmail.com at least 14 days prior to the 17th June 2019, i.e. no later than the 3rd June 2019.