

# Newsletter of The Bean Residents Association

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### DARTFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL

**Telephone and online help this Easter.** The DBC team will still be delivering food and supplies to vulnerable households over Easter. KCC and **Kent Together** are covering telephone and online enquiries. The **Kent Together** call centre is open over Easter and can offer advice and support on a huge range of issues from making sure you have enough food through to picking up prescriptions if there's no one to do it for you. They are working closely together to ensure the local DBC team are here to help. You can call **Kent Together** on **03000 41 92 92** or make an enquiry online by following the Coronavirus page links at [Kent.gov.uk](http://Kent.gov.uk)

Sincerely, Dartford Borough Council

### Coronavirus - COVID-19 See Page 20

**The Appeal against Dartford Borough Council's Refusal for a 4<sup>th</sup> Dwelling on Royal Oak Site was dismissed by Inspector on 9<sup>th</sup> Mar 2020.**

**A decision is still awaited on Highways England's A2 Bean and Ebbsfleet junction improvements.**

A decision is awaited on change of use of land to form 4 permanent plots for Travelling Showpeople at Drudgeon Farm.

### Landlords of the Black Horse Bean Page 22-25

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**THE COPY DATE FOR THE June 2020  
BEAN'S TALK is the 1<sup>st</sup> May 2020**

## **Common abbreviations used in the newsletter**

**KCC** Kent County Council

**Cllr.** Councillor

**EDC** Ebbsfleet Development Corporation

**DBC** Dartford Borough Council

**KHS** Kent Highway Services

**HE** Highways England

**RA** Residents Association

**PCSO** Police Community Support Officer

**Items of interest from the BRA meeting's held on the  
7<sup>th</sup> October, 4<sup>th</sup> November 2019 and 2<sup>nd</sup> December.**

### **7<sup>th</sup> October**

#### **Policing**

All those present welcomed PCSO Alan Mitchell to the meeting.

- It was noted that Sgt Martin Sharp had suggested that DBC Planning Enforcement might attend to help to alleviate concerns about the Travellers at Drudgeon Farm and also ensure that the facts are correct. However, they had felt unable to attend.
- Alan Mitchell said police options were limited as occupants appear to have landowners' permission.
- PCSO Linda Prior and Stephen Keers were unable to attend. Alan Mitchell said that he and other PCSOs had large areas to cover.
- He mentioned a number of licence plates stolen as well as catalytic converters.
- If police contact is needed there are 3 phone numbers the public can call:-
- 999 (Emergency), 101 (non-emergency) or 01322 422200 (Message line).

#### **Secretary's report:**

Ashley Johnson (Assistant Secretary) reported that there had been 155 items of correspondence on 14 topics (Aug/Sep) since the previous meeting in August.

- 2 x Police & Fire
- 2 x KCC
- 77 x Highways England
- 2 x Peninsular Mgt Group
- 14 x DBC
- 1 x Beanstalk & History

- 6 x BPC & Country Park
- 6 Bean Triangle
- 6 x EDC
- 22 x CPRE
- 2 x Bluewater
- 8 x re Travelling Showpeople
- 4 x Meeting Notices
- 3 x Royal Oak 4<sup>th</sup> dwelling Appeal

### **Travellers site:**

- 12 caravans and vehicles on site.
- Fencing erected and roadways laid plus large sign “Showmens Winter Quarters” in School Lane.
- DBC granted full injunction on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2019 that states that no further people and/or equipment is allowed on the site.
- Letters of objection known to have been sent, but not yet on DBC Planning Website. E-Mail addresses are kept private. Some letters or parts may be excluded for various reasons.
- After discussion it was resolved that Bean RA would strongly Object.

### **14 Crime figures for August 2019:**

- 1 x B255 - Criminal damage & arson.
- 6 x Bean Lane - (1)Burglary,(3)Vehicle crime,(2)Violence & Sexual Offences
- 1 x Drudgeon Way - Public Order
- 1 x Page Close - Criminal damage & Arson
- 1 x Pedestrian subway - vehicle crime
- 1 x Shellbank Lane - Burglary
- 1 x Sports/Recreation area - Vehicle crime
- 1 x Stonewood - Vehicle crime
- 1 x The Thrift - Violence & Sexual Offences

### **AOB:**

- Prospect Place, Shellbank Lane - 2 pairs of 2-bed semis approved. No widening of road, but footway along frontage and 8 parking spaces to be included (4 unallocated).
- Royal Oak - 4<sup>th</sup> house. Appeal now in progress. Inspector will visit site. Developer wants to cut down 9 trees. DBC asked for a report on them and found most in good condition. RA has made comments

as have 2 adjacent properties.

- Diversions/ parking restrictions - for drainage maintenance in several places in Bean.
- Concrete pump no longer in Stonewood. Cllr Hammock is aware of oil spillage.

#### **4<sup>th</sup> November.**

#### **Secretary's report:**

Ashley Johnson (Assistant Secretary) reported that there had been 29 items of outgoing correspondence on 10 topics since the previous meeting in October.

- 4 x Highways England
- 1 x Peninsular Mgt Group
- 3 x DBC
- 9 x BPC & Country Park
- 1 x Bean Triangle
- 1 x EDC
- 2 x CPRE
- 3 x Bluewater
- 4 x Showpeople Travellers
- 1 x Meeting Notice

#### **Updates:**

- Travelling Showpeople and application. Letters of objection are not shown on DBC website. Dave Hammock says that 3<sup>rd</sup> party comments are not being put on website. Will get back to Dave Hammock about this decision. Injunction has been renewed, but DBC enforcement deal with those already on site. Complaints about the Showmen's Winter Quarters sign in School Lane, which is on highway land.
- A2 Bean/Ebbsfleet Junctions - Public Inquiry - good turnout of Bean residents at evening session. Decision by Dept for Transport expected by 28<sup>th</sup> February 2020.
- 1 - 11 Ightham Cottages - last 2 homes withdrew objections on last day of Inquiry.
- Hope Cottages - HE will erect a wooden fence between the cottages access road and the Bean Lane. Fence doesn't extend to homes nearest the crossing because the new staggered crossing is nearer to the houses than existing. Drawing passed around showing new

bridge, alongside existing, is higher to give more headroom over A2.

- Advanced planting - Planting is proposed at rear of Beacon Drive houses. This is Crown Estates land, so HE can't compulsorily purchase. They agree to sell, but only for highways use. HE no longer wants Main Site compound in Watling Street. Uncertain where it will be sited, but Bean Lane not ruled out.
- Royal Oak - Appeal for 4<sup>th</sup> house. Comments made before 15<sup>th</sup> October 2019 deadline. DBC have submitted their objections. Awaits Planning Inspector's visit.
- EDC - Ebbsfleet Green, alongside A2 - revised application has more houses (215 to 220), fewer parking spaces 269 to 245 - disabled spaces 7 to nil - van spaces 7 now 2.
- Ashmere & Alkerden (E. Quarry) - no more information Watling St. junction design.
- KCC - new tunnel under Bean Road for Fastrack and NMU - single track. Awaiting KCC planning application before commenting.

### **Parish Council:**

- Report – new Bollards being provided on Bean Hill to be 2 metres apart.
- Flagpole for Village Hall - 3 flags available.
- Drain/gully cleaning 1-7 Bean Lane.
- No more church services at Hall as attendance too low.
- No more athletics at Hall.

### **11 Reported Crimes in Bean for September 2019:**

- 2 x Fallowfield - Criminal damage & arson
- 1 x Foxwood - Criminal damage & arson
- 6 x Page Close - (1) Criminal damage & arson;(2)Vehicle crime; (3)violence & sexual offences
- 1 x Pedestrian subway - Vehicle crime
- 1 x Sandy Lane - Public Order.

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### **AOB:**

- 20mph sign repainted (in error?) at junction with Bean Lane/Beacon Drive.
- Bin collection late in part of Bean - refuse collected on a Sunday
- There will be a Remembrance Day service at the Memorial on

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November at 2 pm. All are welcome.

- Postal Scam - Warning given about using a premium rate phone number regarding parcel deliveries.
- Duncan Wood (Chair) is having his ponytail cut off for charity on 2<sup>nd</sup> December in the Village Hall. All those sponsoring him are invited to watch this event at 8 pm prior to the RA meeting.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> December

The meeting was preceded by Duncan Wood having his ‘Pony Tail’ cut off for Charity.

#### Secretary’s report:

Ashley Johnson (Assistant Secretary) reported that there had been 22 items of correspondence on 10 topics since the previous meeting in November.

- 1 x KCC
- 3 x Highways England
- 3 x Peninsular Mgt Group re London Resort
- 1 x DBC
- 5 x BeansTalk & History
- 1 x Bean Triangle.
- 3 x EDC
- 2 x Travelling Showpeople
- 2 x Meeting Notices
- 1 x Beacon Drive/Drudgeon Way Site

#### Updates:

- Showmen Travellers - Dave Hammock single point of contact. Planning Officer contacted re objections sent in, but not appearing on-line. Awaiting a reply. New Reports from applicants re great crested newts etc. Also concerns raised by walkers using footpath along boundary of site. Winter Quarters Sign still on Highway land.
- A2BE - concerns raised with HE regarding the Contract reported as £150, not £117m. Chasing HE for a reply. Spirits Rest - everything put on hold. DBC not responding.
- Royal Oak - Inspector visited re 4<sup>th</sup> house. Awaiting report.
- Bluewater Forum - Ashley Johnson attended. Main topic was about “Environmental Sustainability” Projects. A Page Close resident spoke about her work in Africa.

### **Consultations:**

- EDC - Ashmere Village Plan - Application for 1<sup>st</sup> Stage - Bluewater end, NW corner. Objections if road access is off Mounts Road. Proposed main access to be from Hedge Place/ Bluewater roundabout, once gas main has been moved.
- KCC - Bean Road tunnel - Garden City to Bluewater. Safety concerns from Police.

### **Parish Council:**

- Report - bollards to be erected on Bean Hill to prevent vehicles parking on verge.
- Urgent Care Centre consultation - either at DVH or Gravesham. Better parking facilities at Gravesham, but next to A&E at DVH. Parish prefers DVH site.

### **Crime figures for October 2019:**

17 reported crimes during October 2019:

- 1 x A296 - Anti-social behaviour
- 1 x B255 - Violence & sexual offences
- 2 x Bean Lane - (1) Anti-social behaviour, (1) Criminal damage & arson
- 1 x Bramble Avenue - Vehicle crime
- 1 x Near Pedestrian Subway - Criminal damage & arson
- 1 x Sandbanks Hill - Criminal damage & arson
- 2 x School Lane - Violence & sexual offences
- 3 x Shellbank Lane - (2) Anti-social behaviour, (1) Criminal damage & arson
- 2 x Sports/Rec area - (1) Criminal damage & arson, (1) Violence & sexual offences
- 3 x Turner Road - (1) Anti-social behaviour, (1) Vehicle crime, (1) Violence & sexual offences.

### **AOB:**

- GP closure in Beacon Drive; it was hoped this would only be temporary.
- 20mph sign - painted in error? PC was expected to raise it at meeting with KCC.

- Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) - charged to developers as part of any approval – collected by DBC. Percentage given to Parish Councils on completion of development in their area. BPC received some for 3 Royal Oak dwellings. They would receive money on completion of recently approved 2-semi's at Prospect Place. Likewise, Stone PC would receive a sum on completion of Bluewater Zip-wire etc..
- CIL has to be spent on local Infrastructure.

## **A2 Bean & Ebbsfleet junction improvements - Public Inquiry**

The Public Inquiry, 1<sup>st</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> October 2019, was inconveniently held, at Brands Hatch Mercure Hotel. The Inquiry Inspector was Mrs Lesley Coffey BA Hons BTP MRTPI.

Bean RA put forward an alternative to the new slip road, in the Green Belt, at Spirits Rest Horse Sanctuary. Instead we proposed two dedicated eastbound lanes along Watling Street to the A2, together with a 2-way road to provide a separate access for businesses and residents in Bean Triangle.

Highways England made late changes, including omission of Watling Street Main Site Compound and not providing traffic lights on Hope Cottages roundabout. A new Site Compound must be found and, without traffic lights, access to and from Bean to the enlarged roundabout will be a problem.

Ashley Johnson and Linda Collins attended each day and questioned Highways England's expert witnesses. On most days we were assisted by representatives from CPRE Kent.

Round-table discussions were attended by Bean RA, Gravesham BC, Bluewater and London Resort. EDC, KCC and DBC did not take part, but later submitted comments.

An evening session on 9<sup>th</sup> October was attended by many Local Residents. Five people read statements to the Inspector. Two of them had to robustly stand up to aggressive cross examination by Counsel for Highways England, Emyr Jones.

In the closing stages, Bean RA were cross examined at length on their alternative, but it was shown to be workable.



On the final day the Inspector visited places we requested, including Hope Cottages, Ightham Cottages, Watling Street and Bluewater. She also looked at Ebbsfleet and Castle Hill. The decision of the Secretary of State for Transport will be issued on or before 28<sup>th</sup> February 2020.

### **Dartford Borough Council-Planning Representations**

We asked DBC why comments on the Travelling Showpeople Application are not on their Website. DBC say they have had to make changes to the way third party representations on **all** planning applications are dealt with for reasons below: -

- DBC welcome the views of third parties such as local residents and interest groups whether they are for or against a proposal, as they can bring attention to new factors and add to the quality of the decision on planning matters.
- DBC include third party names, addresses, objections/comments/representations, in the register, which is open to public inspection. Current practice is to keep the information on the website, until application is determined.
- There is no legal obligation on the Council to publicise third party names and addresses, but publication on-line, must now be with consent, under the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR). Individuals making representations on planning applications should now be provided with a positive opt-in to publishing their names and addresses on the website and the right to withdraw consent at any time. This has staff and IT implications which DBC say they cannot comply with given the number and variety of applications.
- As a result, DBC are no longer publishing representations on planning applications on the website. **The option to view them in hard copy at the Council's offices remains.**
- If any Councillor wishes to see representations during a planning application, these can be sent confidentially.
- Representations including names and contact details still have to be sent to the Planning Inspectorate on appeals.
- **Statutory consultee responses (e.g., Environment Agency, KCC Highways) will remain on the Website.**
- The changes may allay fears from residents about third party names and addresses being readily available on the website whilst allowing compliance with the GDPR.

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## Bean Authors

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Thomas G Carter: 1st to commercially produce Mushrooms who wrote on the topic;

William Dalrymple Borland: Invented Smokeless Gunpowder and won patents in UK and USA;

Dr Currie: Reputedly wrote about Shooting and the Local Area;

John W Timbers: Traveller and prolific author including: -

The Rutilius Journals:

- Caesar's Tribune
- Master of Gaul
- Albion Ablaze
- View to a Death
- The Road to the Rubicon
- Caesar's Tribune – The Whole Story (An omnibus edition)
- De Bello Gallico (Interpretation of Julius Caesar's Commentaries on his wars in Gaul)
- Bellum Civile (Interpretation of Julius Caesar's Commentaries on his wars against Pompey and the Senate 'refuseniks')

Other Publications:

- The Sandpiper Sagas
- A Taste of Ancient Rome

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- Think Freedom
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- Think Freedom 4 – Escape to Mars

**Do you know of any others?**

## **Dartford Borough Council-Planning Updates**

**DA/19/01262/COU Land at Drudgeon Farm.** Change of use of land to form 4 permanent plots for travelling showpeople with associated access and landscaping. Bean RA Objections 16-Oct-19. Decision still awaited (February 2020).

**DA/19/01656/FUL Prospect Place, Shellbank Lane.** Single storey extension to the existing commercial building and change of use to office (Use Class B1(a)), demolition of an existing commercial building and erection of a double car port and attached commercial store in its place and conversion of Prospect Place from single dwelling house to 2 no. apartments. Bean RA Objection 6-Jan-20. Decision awaited.

### **Ebbsfleet Development Corporation-Planning Updates**

**EDC/19/0196/FUL Ashmere (Western Village) Eastern Quarry, Watling Street.** Details of the layout, scale, appearance and landscaping ... comprising 281 dwellings and associated infrastructure including roads ... Bean RA comments to **KCC** on missing junction designs 28-Nov-19.

### **EDC/20/0002 Aikerden (Central Village) Education Hub**

Details of ... construction of an 8 Form Entry Secondary School, 2 Form Entry Primary School, Dual Use Sports Centre and Sport Pitches and associated infrastructure, ... associated hard and soft landscaping, play areas, car and cycle parking, and ancillary works ... Bean RA Comments 27-Jan-20.

**EDC/19/0221 Ebbsfleet Green Primary School** Temporary Buildings until Sep-2021. Bean RA Comments 23-Jan-20.

**EDC/19/0219 Eastern Quarry, Watling Street.** 880m long Advertising Banner for period of 5 years. Bean RA Objection.

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10. Dry your hands completely.

It is important to dry thoroughly and completely. You should also make sure you use a hand moisturiser to ensure good skin integrity.

Some people may feel that they need to provide themselves with extra protection such as face masks, while this may be understandable.

Firstly ask these questions of yourself:-

- Do you know what face type of mask to wear?
- Do you know how to done (put it on) the mask?
- Do you know how to remove it?

After you have thought about this, and bare in mind that it's not just as simple as putting it on and taking it off , there are specific ways of doing so.

If you don't know how to use them, or specifically remove them the you risk increasing your chance of contaminating yourself. If you haven't been 'Fit Tested' you don't even know if the mask your wearing will protect you. If you have the correct mask but have more than 24 hours facial hair growth then it won't work.

Please contact your local health care provider for further information

## Thomas Hart

Listed on the web page it states that Thomas Hart was landlord of the Black Horse in 1890 in the Post Office Directory. I cannot confirm this as I cannot find a copy of said directory. Definitely by 1891 Thomas Hart, a 40 year old widow, was the licenced victualler there. He was born in Chatham about 1850. He had two children living with him at the time Harriet, then 8, who had been born in Reti Scind, India, and Thomas, then 5, who had been born in Stone. There was another son, George Percy son of Thomas Joseph and Harriet Hart who was baptised at St Marys Stone on the 13 March 1887 having been born on the 8 Feb 1887. The father's occupation was given as Bean and he was a publican. The child (George Percy) did not survive, dying probably in the month of this baptism, and there was a Harriet Hart, the mother, who died in the Medway area shortly thereafter. 1887 seems to be the date of Thomas Hart being the landlord.

By 1901 Thomas Hart had moved to Shorne to the See Ho Inn where he remained until at least 1913 after which he was listed as the carrier of parcels but not recorded as a publican. He died in 1934 probably still in Shorne. Fanny predeceased him, dying in 1926.

Thomas was married twice, firstly to Harriet Hodges during 1876 in the Medway area (probably Chatham) and secondly to Fanny Simpson in 1898 in the Rochford Essex area. In the 1891 census Fanny was a servant in Thomas' household. His first child with Harriet was born in this country, but Thomas and Harriet would appear to have moved to India where five of his children were born. In all Thomas would appear to have fathered at least 14 children by his two wives, and there must be some of his descendants in the Medway area today.

The Maidstone Journal of 6 Jan 1891 records under the title Opening Christmas Day that at Dartford Police Court George Sotherden of High Cross Southfleet, Morris Maund and Charles Sibley were summonsed for being on the licenced premises of Thomas Joseph Hart at the Black Horse Bean on Christmas Day at illegal hours. Maund was in hospital

and did not appear and the summons was not served on Sibley – Hart was summoned by the police for keeping his house open at illegal hours and Sotherden was summoned by Hart for falsely representing himself to be a traveller and obtaining refreshment at illegal hours. Mr Ridley appeared for Hart. It was not denied that the house was open for the sale of liquor to Sotherden and the other defendants on Christmas day but it was alleged that the parties had represented themselves to be travellers and to have said that they had come from Dartford and Gravesend. It was shown that Sotherden lived only a quarter of a mile from the Black Horse but it was contended that although he had been to Hart's house several times he (Hart) did not know that Sotherden lived near him, but believed that when he served him with drink that he had come from Dartford.

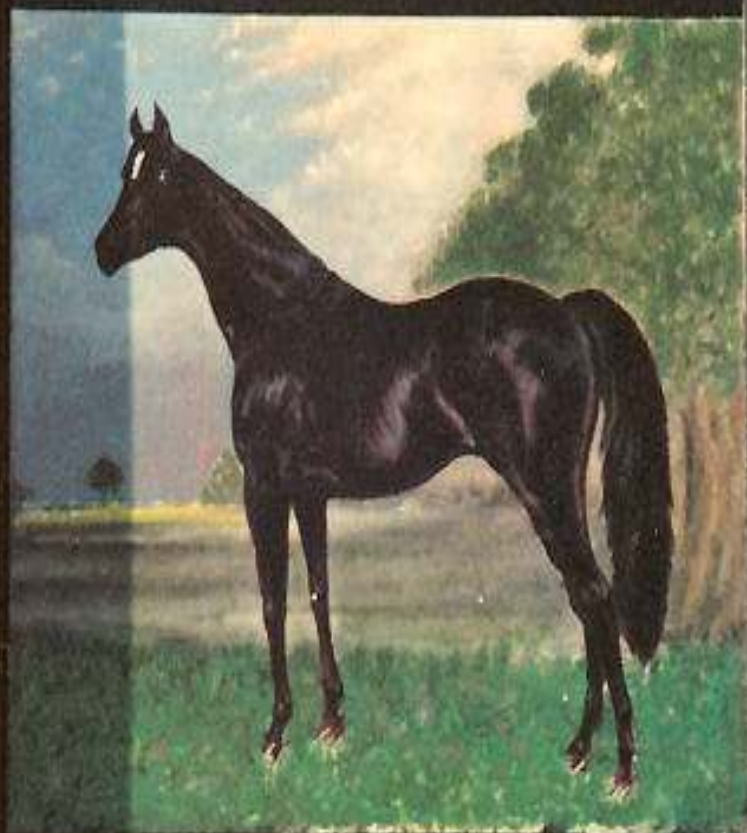
*(If you wanted a drink at a pub on a Sunday or holy days you had to be a traveller, i.e. have travelled more than 3 miles from your home. So people would walk that distance to get a drink.)*

Maidstone Report of 20 July 1893 recorded that at Dartford Petty Sessions a Ruffian William Mourn labourer of Stone pleaded guilty to assaulting Mr Hart, landlord of The Black Horse, Bean, and wilfully damaging a window to the extent of 10s. Defendant was turned out of the house because of his bad behaviour and then he commenced to throw stones at the landlord through the window. He was sentenced to 14 days hard labour without the option of a fine, his previous character being taken into account.

The Gravesend Report of 27 July 1893 under the heading After Hours states Thomas Hart, landlord of The Black Horse Bean was summonsed for keeping his house open after hours and pleaded guilty on the advice of Mr Clinch, his solicitor. IC Stone stated the facts of the case. Mr. Clinch in mitigation of the penalty said defendant had taken orders the night before for some liquor, which these people arranged to call for on returning from an excursion to Brighton. Defendant was fined £3 and costs but his licence was not endorsed. Thomas Earl, Henry Smith, Frederick Smith, William Austin, William Plascott, Alfred Barnden, John Austen, Charles Kemp, Margaret Kemp, and Arthur Hart employees at EC Powder Works were then summonsed for being on licenced premises at Bean on the 15 inst after hours. Defendants were fined 5s and costs.



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To all those residents who have recently moved to Bean. With the cat on the sign.

We extend a huge welcome and hope you enjoy your new home. We would welcome you all at both the residents association and at the Bean Parish Council meetings to help keep Bean a great place to live. The Residents association meet on the first Monday of the Month, where as the Council meet on the second Monday of the month (except August).

## **Oasis Counselling Service**

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As of January 2018, the service is based at Bizniz Point, Crown House, Home Gardens, Dartford DA1 1DZ, telephone number 01322 424509 / 07749 948407, website address [www.oasiscounsellingservices.co.uk](http://www.oasiscounsellingservices.co.uk), email address [info@oasiscounsellingservices.co.uk](mailto:info@oasiscounsellingservices.co.uk).

Oasis Counselling is a charity offering clients a professional, quality service. We cover general counselling issues, anger, depression, low self-esteem, self-harm, abuse, bereavement, and relationship issues and more. We also work with couples and families.

We don't have set fees but we do ask for a donation for each session. We value one-hour sessions at £45 each and £55 for couples. We appreciate people's honesty about what they feel able to donate, such that they value the service

## VILLAGE ACTIVITIES and USEFUL NUMBERS.

The Bean Village Web site and e-mail addresses are on the front cover.

### POLICE

|                              |                     |              |
|------------------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Emergency calls 999 /112     | Non emergency calls | 101          |
| Neighbourhood Police Officer | Tony Quilter        | 07811 984126 |
| PCSO                         | Linda Prior         | 07772 226125 |

### Dartford Borough Council and Kent Community Wardens

|                               |                |              |
|-------------------------------|----------------|--------------|
| Crime Support Unit <b>DBC</b> | Mark Sailsbury | 01322 343434 |
| Community Warden.             | John Newton    | 07974183693  |
| Community Warden              | Control Centre | 01732 885712 |
| Crime Stoppers                |                | 800 555 111  |
| Power Cut                     |                | 105          |

### Bean Village Hall Bookings

|   |  |               |
|---|--|---------------|
|   | Bean Parish Council  | 01474 832 999 |
| Tuesday 4:00 - 7:00pm. Dance fever      | Jo Regan   | 07927 196307  |
| Tuesday 7:30 - 8:30pm Zumba             | Laura  | 07731 303925  |
| Wednesday 5:00 - 6:15pm. Cubs           | Amanda King  | 07715 169250  |
| Wednesday 6:30 - 8:00pm. Scouts         | Neil Warburton   | 01474 707382  |
| Thursday 5:00- 6:30pm. Brownies Sabrina | <a href="mailto:1stbeanbrownies@gmail.com">1stbeanbrownies@gmail.com</a>         | 07789647970   |
| Thursday 7:30 - 8:30pm Fitsteps         | Kay  | 07751 497716  |
| Saturday 9.00 - 10.00 am Yoga Lorraine  | <a href="mailto:info@beeyouyogawellness.co.uk">info@beeyouyogawellness.co.uk</a> | 07980 960150  |

Mon - Fri 9:15 - 12:00 noon. Tues, Thurs & Fri 12:30 - 3 pm Jumping Beans Pre-School  
Karen Hastings 07981520446

### Doctors

Swanscombe and Bean Partnership Bean Surgery, High St. Bean 01474 707236

### Church

St. Nicholas Southfleet Serving Bean, Betsham, New Barn and Southfleet.

Priest in Charge: Rev'd Josh Young 07484154613 01474 833252

### Bean Residents Association

Bean Residents Association meets on the first Monday of the month at 8:15pm. in the Bean Village Hall. All Bean residents are welcome to attend.

### Bean Parish Council.

E-mail [Beanparishcouncil@btinternet.com](mailto:Beanparishcouncil@btinternet.com)

Web Page <https://www.hugofox.com/community/bean-parish-council-13254/bean-parish-council/>

Bean Parish Council meet on the second Monday of the month at 7pm. in the Bean Village Hall. All Bean residents are welcome to attend. 01474 832999

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