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4th June 2025

The Chairman and Members of the Council,

NOTICE OF MEETING

You are summoned to attend the meeting of Buxted Parish Council to be held on **Tuesday 10th June 2025 directly following the planning committee meeting.**

The public have a right and are welcome to attend and at the discretion of the Chairman, members of the public may ask questions prior to the commencement of the business proper.

AGENDA

- 1 Apologies for absence
- 2 To receive declarations of personal, prejudicial, and disclosable pecuniary interests on items on the agenda and updates to members' register of interests
- 3 Minutes of the 13th May 2025 meeting (previously circulated) to be confirmed and signed
- 4 ESCC/WDC report

ESCC Cllr Galley – feedback following meeting to assess drains 9th June WDC Cllr Shaw – Ward budget suggestions

- 5 Outstanding matters For Information Only unless otherwise stated:
 - Public footpaths
 - > Trees
 - > Road Safety
 - ➤ Wealden Local Development Framework Local Plan
 - Property issues
 - > Buxted Recreation Ground drainage improvements update
 - > Communications Matters: Website
- 6 Correspondence as listed and subsequently updated and circulated at the meeting
 - P1 Parish Resident are there any electric chargers planned for the parish?
- 7 Committee meetings
- Finance: (i) To approve the payment list; (ii) To receive bank reconciliations; (iii) To note the RBS reports: Trial balance, ear marked reserves, summary receipts and payment, cash and investment reconciliation
- 9 Reports on other meetings attended by members

- 10 Members questions
- 11 Announcements a) Chairman of the Council; b) Clerk to the Council

Next Meeting - 8 July 2025 St Mary's Church Hall, Church Lane, Buxted

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R Macklen, Clerk to the Council

Copy to ESCC Cllr R Galley, WDC Cllr Shaw

DATE RAISED	CASE NO	DESCRIPTION	OPEN/CLOSED RESOLUTION
2003	HED000607	Overgrown hedge at	Ongoing since 2023.
		Heatherwode Farm	Highways Enforcement have sent
			out notices which expired in
			December 2024. A further notice is
			to be issued week beginning 20th
			January.
			13/2/25 – clerk chased – was notice
			issued? Has it lapsed?
			25/02/25 – Highways confirm hedge
			has still not been cut . Referred to
			relevant team for further action.
			03/04/25 – Confirmation from
			Highways, hedge will be cut in 28
			working days (16 th May)
			19/05 – Clerk reported the hedge
			has not been cut
			19/05 – Highways responded to say
			job was completed on 29/04/25. Clerk disputes this with photographs
			to show hedge still overhanging footpath
			27/05 – Highway confirmed hedge
			would be cut (again) by the end of
			28/05
			28/05 – Hedge not cut, reported
			back to Highways
			30/05 – Highways apologised and
			will confirm when hedge will be cut
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November 2024	EA007FRAMFIELD	Culvert, Framfield Road,	ONGOING
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			Highway advised works need
			planning and extensive repair.
			19/3 – Highways contacted PC to
			advise Structural Team will contact
			PC to arrange a site meeting likely to
			be in April.
			May – Cllr Furber attended meeting
			with ESCC/Balfour Beatty. Agreed
			work from culver to KSV would be
			carried out. Design for culvert
			currently being designed. Work to

			be carried out in next financial year.
04/02/25	THF003389	Width of footpath between Limes Lane and Pound Green Lane – request to cut back and uncover footpath	ONGOING 10/02/25 – Highway Steward has inspected and does not consider works are needed at this time but would keep an eye on it. 14/02/25 – Raised with Cllr Galley at meeting. He is raising this issue again with Highways. March 25 - Issue now CLOSED after work carried out by Cllr Furber 01/04/25 – Highways confirmed job is now scheduled!
17/02/25	CCY000737	Broken away tarmac (50cm) in Framfield Road/Limes Lane outside KSV and bollard fallen over	REOPENED 20/02/25 – ESCC Highways do not consider work is necessary at this time but would continue to monitor – Raise again with Highways. 17/3 – Highway Steward revisited. Road still does not meet criteria, but bollard will be replaced. May – work should be carried out in conjunction with culvert repair woks (as above EA007FRAMFIELD)
24/05/25	SLO000572	Blocked drains on Buxted High Street	ONGOING 29/04/25 - Highway Steward has identified the blockages and has scheduled a job to remove water and any excess debris. Additionally, we will conduct a CCTV inspection to check for any breaks or blockages in the pipelines and will use jetting if necessary. 02/06 - Cllr Galley suggests walking the route with Highway Steward and councillors. Walk arranged for 10am 9th June
25/04/25	DGD005639	Drains on the A272 between the end of the houses (from Buxted) and Buxted Primary School on the A272 Parish Council has walked this stretch and has noted 4 drains in a row that appear to be blocked	ONGOING 28/4/25 – Highway Steward inspected No works required 20/05 – Highways confirmed comprehensive assessments to ensure the effectiveness and efficiency of the planned works have taken place. The root cutting operations will address blockages and prevent future obstructions, while the pipe repairs will ensure the reliability of the drainage system for the community. Works start date to be notified. 02/06 – CIIr Galley suggests walking the route with Highway Steward and councillors. Walk arranged for 10am 9th June
28/05/25	DGD005645	This blocked gully pot is 60m west of Coopers Green traffic lights on	ONGOING 30/04/25 – Highway Steward inspected. No works required.

		A272.	Later informed this is due to be cleared!
03/04/25	HED004388	Overgrown hedge Chillies	ONGOING
		Lane, High Hurstwood.	03/04/25 - reported to Highways
		Opposite Church	

Ionides Trust Update 10th June 2025 following Ionides AGM:

- 1. Apologies
- 2. Declarations of Interest None
- 3. Scout Hut update on outstanding issues4. Illegal Camping
- 5. Security of site
- 6. Network Rail Fence
- 7. Hedge Cutting8. Replacement Cherry Tree for COVID Memorial
- 9. New benches
- 10. Grass cutting areas