



Cranbrook & Sissinghurst Parish Council

Action Plan 2023/24

During the Council year 2023/24 Cranbrook & Sissinghurst Parish Council will undertake the following actions:

- Maintain, improve and promote the use of recreation grounds, open spaces and Vestry Hall Complex
- Maintain allotments, burial grounds, car parks, streetlights, public toilets and other street furniture
- Comment on all planning applications which fall within or impact on the Parish.
- Represent the views and promote the interests of the parish, particularly in relation Tunbridge Wells Borough Council and Kent County Council.
- Engage with the community, including parishioners, local businesses, community groups and organisations in the parish, including by maintaining an up-to-date website and social media presence, in line with the Community Engagement Policy.
- Listen, investigate and respond to issues identified in the parish of Cranbrook & Sissinghurst and, if appropriate, to signpost to the correct person/ organisation for resolution/ further progression.
- Work with and support local groups for the improvement of the facilities, environment and social and economic wellbeing in the community.
- Deliver speedy and transparent decisions through full meetings of the Council, supported by appropriate committees.
- Promote training and induction and ongoing support for members of staff and councillors.
- Maintain good governance, including adhering to relevant benchmarks to achieve Quality Status of the Local Council Award Scheme.
- Fulfil responsibilities as Sole Trustee to three Charities: Tomlin Murton (Charity no. 302718), Jubilee Field (Charity no. 302842) and War Memorial (Charity no. 238480)

Key projects for 2023/2024 include:

- Highways Improvement Plan
- Ball Field Play Area – develop plans for improvements
- Tree Safety Audit - routine safety check
- Community/Medical Centre, including demolition of Tanyard Surgery
- Develop public consultation policy
- Vestry Hall insulation improvements – including secondary glazing and thermally lined curtains
- Neighbourhood Development Plan – progress to referendum
- Reline parking spaces in Jockey Lane car park

For more details see individual committee Five Year Plans