

Elmer Sands Ltd Council Business Summary May 2024

Open Meeting for Members held 6th April. No member attendance.

Formal Council Meeting held 13th May. 12 Directors present.

Annual General Meeting held on 18th May. 36 Members present.

(formal AGM Minutes will be published for Members in due course).

Main updates 13th May Council Meeting:

Fibre Broadband – The ESL Council is looking into options for the Estate.

Membership – The revised payment arrangements are working well with payments up by around 6% compared to the same time last year. Second fee reminder notices will be mailed to members with outstanding fees.

Dog Bins – Members are advised that the current provision of dog bins and collection on the Estate incurs no charge to ESL. Any request to ADC for extra equipment and services will incur a new charge therefore if there is no official bin close by residents are advised to take their waste home and put it in their own standard bins.

Children's Playing Field No-Dog Zone – Residents are reminded that dogs are NOT ALLOWED in the Children's Playing Field for health and safety reasons.

Speeding Vans – Residents are advised to report incidents to the company where known, or Police if applicable.

EA Beach Art – ESL will endeavour to seal the fraying rope that has been littering the beach.

Kiosk Notice Board Vandalism – The perspex screen has been vandalised. Costs to replace the screen will be considered.

Surface Water Flood Management – The Team has been working with Councillors, Southern Water, West Sussex County Council, Arun District Council, developers and agencies to manage the effective drainage of surface water from the Estate. The Team is currently engaged in applying for significant WSCC 'Operation Watershed' funding to shore up two ditches serving the Estate. The process involves an extensive body of work and members will be kept informed of progress as applicable.

ESL Council has approved expenditure for a contractor site visit £450.00 + VAT as part of the application criteria to develop the technical plans.

Sea Defences – The Environment Agency Team has carried out what is thought to be temporary repairs to secure the gabion baskets which were disintegrating. ESL remains engaged with the EA on all matters relating to the Sea Defences.

Toddlers Playground - replacement of a piece of playground equipment with voluntary assistance, followed by laying of new bark and the annual safety inspection.

Playing Field Rear Fencing – New strategy to fill hollow posts with postcrete.

Boule Terrain – The Gardens Team has plans to re-establish the Boule Terrain in the Kiosk Garden this Summer.

Bird Droppings Kisok Shelter – For events health and safety compliance, ESL is researching methods to keep the community area free of bird droppings.

Road Maintenance – Full survey of Estate roads planned for end of May to identify areas for repair this year.

Property Development – The ESL Team is continuing to work closely with members and their agents to ensure compliance with regulations and protection of ESL land.

Gate Security – Shifts agreed with Invictus Security and booked for the season. See separate notice for further details.

Parking – New recruits have joined the team and are now fully trained to manage unauthorised parking on the Estate throughout the year, in particular the summer season beach access. See separate notice for further details.

ESL Social Events – The team has several events planned for the year. Next event Family Day with BBQ and live Music 3rd August. Look out for posters with further details shortly.

The ESL Council is very grateful to retiring Director Jan Young who after 7 years of service to ESL, will be giving extra time to assist with the handover of Grounds Maintenance and Parking Management to her team colleagues.

