

EAST PECKHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Aims and Objectives

AIMS

- To provide effective, efficient and accountable local government for the parish, enabling residents to be involved in the life of the community and its future development.
- To be a strong voice for residents and local businesses, working to improve the overall village area both built and natural, while preserving the uniqueness of heritage areas

OBJECTIVES

- To understand and communicate the views, needs and aspirations of residents and businesses to statutory and non-governmental bodies as required
- Increase public involvement in the community through ensuring the parish council and its activities are open, transparent and accountable to residents.
- Support local business and economic activity in the village
- Work with the Borough and County Councils to provide safe, healthy and timely opportunities for recreation, leisure and education, and to provide, improve and maintain play equipment, allotments and public recreation spaces
- To support the work of village voluntary organizations through grants and practical support
- Respond to planning applications and other statutory consultations on time, ensuring that recommendations made to the Borough Council adhere to any statutory regulations, and the interests of the community.
- Promote, within our community, activities which support the principles of environmental sustainability and an ethical society, working with wardens to keep public places clean and safe.
- Ensure that Councillors and Staff have access to high quality training and development opportunities and that they meet all required standards

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES FOR 2017/2018

- Safety surfacing renewal in older children's play area
- Funds for the village Emergency Planning Fund and more work on Community Resilience
- Village Planting
- Next phase in the Jubilee Hall Upgrade, i.e., kitchen refurbishment and more decorating
- More Environmental Enhancements, i.e., hamlet signs and new signage at Little Mill
- Funds towards our Village Minor Maintenance Fund
- New outdoor activity/new item of play equipment
- Ongoing dialogue with key stakeholders with the aim of retaining the surgery in East Peckham
- Continued improvements to website, app and other means of communications