

## Chislet Parish Council Newsletter November 2024

### SPEEDWATCH IN HIGHSTEAD, BOYDEN GATE AND CHISLET



Speedwatch volunteers have been monitoring traffic at various locations between Highstead and Chislet throughout October and November.

On 25<sup>th</sup> October 37 vehicles were recorded travelling at 35mph or more in a 30mph zone on Boyden Gate Hill in just one hour.

On 4<sup>th</sup> November 19 vehicles were recorded travelling at 35mph or more outside Chislet Court Farm.

All data collected from Speedwatch sessions is collated and submitted to Kent Police Speedwatch.

Excessive speeders and repeat offenders will be contacted by police.

If the data confirms consistently excessive speeds in particular locations, Kent Police Speedwatch are able to allocate further resources to support Speedwatch Groups, such as speed camera vans.

### CHRISTMAS FAIR: 7<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 10AM-1PM



Chislet Parish Councillors are looking forward to running a Christmas stall at this year's Chislet Christmas Fair.

After the success of last year's stall, we're planning another exciting festive game this year and hoping to get even more responses to our Community Engagement Questionnaire. We look forward to meeting parishioners at the event and hearing what you value about our parish and what you would like to see improved.

## **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT QUESTIONNAIRE: TELL US WHAT YOU WANT IN THE PARISH**



**Questionnaire Link**

Lots of exciting projects are being considered by Chislet Parish Council. These include new speed indication devices, new benches and maps to show important amenities and routes in the parish. If you have an idea of something you would like to see in the parish then please complete our Community Engagement Questionnaire.

The Questionnaire is available on the parish council website and Facebook, or by accessing the QR code or on parish Noticeboards. Scan the QR code with the camera of your phone to access the questionnaire. If you would rather complete a paper copy, please email your name & address details to: [Sally.appleby@chisletparishcouncil.co.uk](mailto:Sally.appleby@chisletparishcouncil.co.uk)

## **COFFEE WITH A COP: Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2024**



**Kent  
Police**

Residents met with PC Jack Roy from Kent Police at a surgery at Wesleyan Chapel, Boyden Gate, on 9th November. This gave residents the opportunity to raise their concerns and to find out what Kent Police are doing to tackle the issues that matter to them. Concerns raised included volume and speed of traffic

through the parish.

PC Roy is based out of Herne Bay police station but his 'beat', shared with another officer, covers Reculver, Beltinge, West Bay, Herne Bay town centre, and Chislet parish.

PC Roy's next Coffee with a Cop will be held at HatHats Coffee Reculver, Herne Bay CT6 6SS on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December from 2-3pm.

His role is a part of an initiative by Kent Police to reach out to communities with dedicated officers. Members of the public can register at [www.mycommunityvoicekent.co.uk](http://www.mycommunityvoicekent.co.uk) for updates and the dates of future events.

## **2024'S HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT PLAN**

Chislet Parish Council's proposals for the 2024 Highway Improvement Plan have now been submitted to East Kent Highways (EKH) for consideration.

Locations proposed for improvement are:

- Outside Chislet school: measures are needed to stop speeding in this 30mph zone
- Highstead/Poacher's End: measures are needed to stop dangerous driving on the blind bend.
- Upstreet: Measures needed to stop speeding through the village which is a 30mph zone

Highway Improvement Plans CANNOT used to log maintenance concerns / requests. Maintenance problems (including potholes, blocked gullies, overgrown vegetation and worn road markings) should be reported using the fault reporting tool [www.kent.gov.uk/highways](http://www.kent.gov.uk/highways) Highway Improvement Plans are only for NEW works intended to make our roads better and safer.

Parish Councillors are due to discuss the proposals with EKH at the end of November to see how these safety improvements can be taken forward.

## **CHANGES TO COST OF PARKING IN COUNCIL CAR PARKS**

Canterbury City Council is consulting on plans to increase the cost of parking in some of its car parks in 2025/26. The council says the changes will encourage greater use of car parks that have spare capacity, help tackle the climate emergency and increase income to help pay for vital council services.

The changes would also see a decrease in charges for the car park in School Lane, Herne, which has seen a 34 per cent drop in usage since charges were increased there last year.

Give your views by **5pm on Monday 6 January 2025** at

<https://news.canterbury.gov.uk/consultations/proposed-changes-to-charges-and-conditions-in-council-car-parks-for-2025-26>

Alternatively, you can email your comments to **consultations@canterbury.gov.uk** or write to Consultations Team, Canterbury City Council, 14 Rose Lane, Canterbury, CT1 2UR.