JANUARY MEETING

ROADS FOOTPATHS & LIGHTING

- 1. Notice Board has now been put up near the bus stop on Village Road.
- 2. Patching has been done to Gores Farm, but only to the boundary of Medway, so the dangerous part still needs to be done by Medway. This keeps getting reported as a health & safety concern but never seems to be actioned.
- 3. Still receiving reports of speeding/aggressive motorbikes and fly-tipping on Hill Road. Can we make sure we advise that any incidents are reported to the Police.
- 4. Cllr Yard has contacted the local MP to see if he can influence cameras being installed at the No Entry.
- 5. KCC have suggested that cameras could be looked at next year if there is sufficient evidence of contravention. However, they have not said how this would be collected.

 MOTION: to install temporary camera to identify numbers at a cost of £1250 +VAT
- 6. We have requested that KCC change the signage at the No Entry with a red line through the No Motor Vehicles sign and words. The PC have offered to cover the costs of this. But we have yet to receive a response.
- 7. After research, we have reminded KCC Highways that the hedges around School Lane do not have planning permission, therefore must remain under 1m high, which is the limit before planning is required. Although sight lines are fine now (winter), it is something that can be checked later in the year.
- 8. Steps are due to be installed at the footpath leading from the field onto Knowle Road during January.
- 9. Dray lorry now seems to be delivering after the school run, which is working much better.
- 10. Some gardens along the High Street need some attention. Could a request for them to be tidied put into the next Newsletter?

OPEN SPACES

- 1. Quad Bikes have totally ruined the Common, we could consider fencing, but the entry points seem to be random through the woodland,
- 2. Woodland Trust are due to do their survey during January, so may be able to give some ideas of how to protect the area.
- 3. Solicitor is reviewing documents regarding the rec wall. However, they need 2 additional councillors to verify their identity to cover compliance. PC to agree.
- 4. Motion to appoint Setfords as our solicitor

VILLAGE HALL

- 1. The new fire alarms have been put up
- 2. There has been a good increase in the number of private hirings over the last month
- 3. Plans have been drawn to change the front garden to make it more accessible and an invitation to submit an interest in quoting has been posted on local FB pages (although none received yet)
- 4. Need to look at purchasing new tables in the not to distant future which could be used by private hirers. Also, if these are hired out at Christmas, there could be a charge.
- 5. Hoping to work with the local veterans association to provide a therapeutic space to meet and support each other.