



WEST CLANDON PARISH COUNCIL

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - ANNEXES A, B & C Wednesday, April 9th 2025 at 7.30pm Meeting will take place at West Clandon Village Hall

Annex A: Correspondence of note

Correspondence Sent: (does not include emails sent to Parish Councillors on specific matters)

1	GBC Recycling Team	13 th March 2025	Request for a clearance of the litter on the A3 southbound slip road below the junction with Tithebarns Lane. Response received on 21 st April noting that it is GBC's responsibility, but as it is on a national highway, it requires to be done on an annual schedule when they highway is partially closed; the next scheduled date is in late April.
2	MP Zöe Franklin	13 th March 2025	Invitation to attend a future Parish Council or Annual Parish meeting.

Correspondence Received:

1	Kent Surrey Sussex Air Ambulance Charity	3 rd March 2025	Letter requesting a grant of £400 or any other sum to help the charity with achieving preventable loss of life in the region.
2	St. John's Ambulance Charity	12 th March 2025	Email enquiring whether the Council is able to offer a local grant to support their volunteers in delivering community First Aid Sessions across the Surrey community.

3	Waterfields resident	12 th March 2025	Request for a small concrete area to be installed in front of the netball net.
4	SCC Councillor Hughes	13 th March 2025	Email making us aware that the Secretary of State has written to local authorities about reducing the number and scope of statutory consultees. This could include parish councils.
5	GBC	14 th March 2025	Each year, GBC accepts information on sites to inform its annual update of the Guildford Land Availability Assessment. This year, they have launched a more formal Call for Sites which will run for 13 weeks from 14 March 2025 until 13 June 2025. It is an opportunity for landowners, site promoters, development interests, and communities to suggest possible sites to the Council that may be suitable for development. It will help inform their evidence base of potentially suitable and available land, for a range of possible uses.
6	GBC	14 th March 2025	Notification that GBC and the other 10 District and Borough Councils in Surrey have submitted their proposals on the Local Government Reorganisation (LGR). They argue for the three Unitary Authority option as this 'would strike the best balance between efficiency and maintaining genuine local accountability, as well as maximising opportunities for economic growth by ensuring that unitary authorities reflect the economic geography of Surrey.' Surrey County Council have also set out their proposal for LGR in the county, recommending only two Unitary Authorities.
7	SALC	18 th March 2025	Notification of the increase in the Section 137 expenditure limit for parish and town councils in England for the 2025/26 financial year. The new limit is £11.10 per elector, up from £10.81 in 2024/25. So, for West Clandon Parish, the Council has a limit of about £12,600 for this year. Section 137 of the Act allows parish and town councils to incur expenditures for purposes that benefit their communities when no specific statutory power is available. You can find out more about Section 137 and how your Council can use it here Local council general powers (England) .
8	GBC Housing Services	21 st March 2025	Notification that GBC are developing a new Tenant and Leaseholder Engagement Strategy for housing services and are currently in the consultation phase to gather important insight from a wider audience. They would like feedback through the following the survey which can be found here: https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/TenantandLeaseholderEngagement/ .
9	Howe & Co Fish & Chip Van franchisee	25 th March 2025	Concern raised about the car park rental fee in view of trading conditions over the winter months.
10	GBC	26 th March 2025	Notification that Surrey District and Borough Councils want to hear the views of residents to help them shape the new local government organisations and have launched public consultation. The survey is open for comments until Sunday 20 April.

	Meadowlands resident	2 nd April 2025	Email raising concerns about the large traffic volumes through the village. The resident has given up her car and now relies on alternative forms of transport. She rides her bike frequently through the village, also uses the bus and walks to the station regularly. The footpath and the road can be quite hostile to non-drivers - there are too many vehicles using the road and too many driving too fast. In wet weather it is impossible to walk to the station without being splashed by an inconsiderate driver. Below are some of the alternative transport options she has tried and some suggestions for how these could be improved for West Clandon residents to access more easily and thus reduce car usage: Enterprise Car Club - Surrey County Council offers a discount membership to Enterprise Car Club; however, despite having written to Enterprise to ask about the possibility of cars being provided in West Clandon (perhaps in the under-used station car park), the nearest easily accessible cars are by Guildford Station. The scheme might encourage households to reduce the number of cars they own. Cycling routes and Beryl bikes (the new electric bike scheme for Guildford) - West Clandon does not seem to be covered by the scheme. This is a shame as electric bikes would be a great way to get to central Guildford from West Clandon, though cycling on the local roads is not the nicest experience. Children from George Abbott School do cycle home to West Clandon, though the speed limits are too high for this to be a safe road for cyclists without a clearly defined cycle path. As the council is reluctant to provide free transport for children to this school, perhaps they would be interested in making a safe cycling path for residents to use. White Bus 463 - During the day there is a bus every 2 hours on our bus route. The resident has a friend in Wood Street Village on the other side of Guildford and they have buses every half hour, sometimes more frequently and throughout the evenings and weekends. If there were more buses then more people would use them. Please could you advocate for more frequent buses? We do have the train, but the bus drops you right in the centre of the town and for people with mobility issues this is fantastic. Wouldn't this be great for the Guildford economy if more local people could get in and out of town easily? Buses are also important because of the Free Buss Pass scheme for people with disabilities. I don't think it could be argued that there is no need for a bus because we have the train station. With our local population growing in West Clandon and in surrounding villages we need the buses to connect with the train arrivals and departures - there are so many car journeys dropping people to and from the station and this is only going to increase with the new developments at Ripley (along the bus 463 route) and others. More buses will lead to fewer car journeys and more people using the trains. SurreyConnect - buses on demand. Why are these buses not available in West Clandon? SWR Trains - The line from London Waterloo to Clandon still has the old trains - these trains have no toilets and no air conditioning. Why are we one of the only lines on the SWR network that is awaiting new trains? Also, the resident has noticed that on Saturday mornings her return ticket to Wimbledon
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			costs £2 more than a return ticket from Wimbledon to Clandon. She is sure there are other times when the trains are different prices. It would encourage more people to use the trains if the prices were fairer. It looks like West Clandon residents are being penalised. It would also be great if the trains could connect with the trains to Portsmouth and Woking/London at Guildford Station. The trains to Clandon depart 2 minutes after the London trains arrive at Guildford This would improve our ability to connect with Surrey towns other than Guildford - Woking and Godalming, for example. Uber and Bolt – The resident is very pleased that we can get Ubers here in West Clandon. It is often cheaper than a Guildford Taxi.
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Annex B: Planning Items since the last Meeting

NOTE: Updated since the last Meeting are highlighted in Yellow

	Date Received	Application Number	Address	Description	Outcome
255	08/04/2024	24/P/00403	Land south of Tawney Cottage	Application under section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) for a variation of condition 2 (approved plans) to include the addition of a car port and garden shed to Plot 2 in relation to planning permission 21/P/02637 approved 21/12/2023 for the erection of two detached dwelling houses.	Withdrawn 25/03/2025
288	03/12/2024	24/P/01623	Onslow Arms Inn, The Street, West Clandon	Erection of a new metal frame retractable roof pergola fixed on three sides to existing timber pergolas and timber framed dining shelter in rear garden.	GBC refused 18/03/2025.
299	05/11/2024	24/P/01632	Maybank, The Street, West Clandon	Certificate of lawfulness for proposed development to establish whether a Hip to gable loft conversion with installation of a roof window and a dormer at the rear would be lawful.	Refused by GBC 07/03/2025

300	18/03/2025	25/P/00309	Wren Cottage, The Street, West Clandon	Proposed carport in the front garden.	
301	20/03/2025	24/P/01544	Clandon Wood Surrey Hills natural Burial Ground, Epsom Road, west Clandon	Retrospective application for the erection of coffin shed, sign, two shepherd huts, lanterns, six access lights, and a cart port.	
302	25/03/2025	25/P/00272	Hazelhurst Farm, Tithebarns Lane, West Clandon	Listed Building Consent for replacement of timber windows with new timber windows.	
303	02/04/2025	25/T/00066	Clandon Cottage, The Street, West Clandon	T1&T2 thuja: fell and remove stumps as trees are suffering from serious decline. T3 lawson cypress: fell to near ground level as tree is becoming large for its location and obstructs view to road (West Clandon Conservation Area).	
304	02/04/2025	25/C/00002	Telephone Exchange, The Street, West Clandon	Notification for the removal of the BT public call box/ telephone kiosk.	

Annex C: Payments Approved Since Last Meeting

06-Mar-25	B/P to: HMRC Cumbernauld	Quarterly Clerk PAYE	-407.6
06-Mar-25	B/P to: MrP & MrsCEdwards	Quarterly Clerk Salary	-1629.9
06-Mar-25	B/P to: Mark Bridger	Support for Website migration	-90
06-Mar-25	B/P to: Nurture Landscapes	February maintenance charge	-297.72
06-Mar-25	B/P to: NetcomIT	Monthly IT support	-66.9
24-Mar-25	B/P to: SLCC	Annual SLCC subscription	-150
24-Mar-25	B/P to: 1st Surface	Tennis court patching & maintenance	-1260
24-Mar-25	B/P to: WC RBL Club	S137 grant for VE Day village fete	-500
31-Mar-25	Service Charge	Monthly bank charge	-6
Total			-4408.12