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BUSINESS FOCUS – A LITTLE TOUCH OF BEAUTY

Hi everyone! I'd like to introduce myself and my business to you. I am Natalie and I run a Little Touch of Beauty. Recently we did two

of the most stressful things you can possibly do. Had a baby and moved, both within a couple of weeks of each other, but both are proving that the hard work was worth it!

I am now based now in the Iwade area and very much enjoying village life and with a new family member it is time for me to return to work!

Being new to the area yet having the pleasure of meeting some new faces already, I would like to offer a discount of 10% (which includes



any offers I currently have running) to people based in the Iwade/ Sittingbourne area.

I will be working on an ad hoc basis and have a beauty room based at my home but also operate mobile if required. Why not indulge yourself, contact me; Mobile 07500 041105. You can also see my work on: Instagram @little-touch-ofbeauty or on Facebook @littletouchofbeauty

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BARRITOS GOES FROM STRENGTH TO STRENGTH!

Can you believe it's been 18 months since we opened our little business in Iwade? So much has changed in all our lives, coming out of lockdown, back to work, new jobs and even new babies, for some! Life certainly has turned around and looking so much brighter.

As for Barritos we are still going strong and loving the local support in the village to which we are eternally grateful. Thank you so much.

What's new with us?

Well we now deliver slightly further afield all day and evening on a Friday. Whoop! We have extended to Sonora/ Kemsley/ Bobbing/Milton/Grovehust and Great Easthall! If you like a challenge we have the burrito for you! As we now offer a TRIPLE burrito (see pic) which weights between 1.7-2kg. A beast of a burrito which, if completed earns you a place on our wall of fame and a certificate. However, if you don't manage it all you are welcome to be placed on our wall of shame!!! Give it a go! To add to that we have two calorie conscious items, our well-being bowls and salad bowls. Check them out.

Not only that, we have opened our availability up to cater for events. So, any party/celebration that you feel needs a bit of spice and flavour we are happy to quote for you to create a Mexican feast perfect for your occasion. This can range from a whole load of ready wrapped burritos, to soft taco boards, to loaded nacho tables ... ask and we shall deliver!!



And, of course, there will be more to come, so watch this

space. It's been a fab 18 months so far, we can't wait to see what the next year and a half brings us. **Best wishes Caroline**

& Barry Dormedy.



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IWADE HERONS

Keith Reynolds

The Iwade Herons Football Club have had another successful season at Herons Park on School Lane for the first proper season since Lockdown came to an end. It's produced some fantastic football and some wonderful results for many teams

at the club. The club is growing each and every year providing a safe environment for children ranging from Under 5s right through to Under 15s to learn and finesse the "beautiful game". The club is run by volunteers who give up their time to educate, coach and support, not only children from our own village, but also children from surrounding

(Below: Iwade Herons U12 Colts and Iwade Herons U14's)





The FA Charted Club have seen some brilliant results with the Under 12 Colts, managed by Tris Whittingham and his coaches, not only lifting the League Championship Trophy in the Medway District Youth League for a phenomenal season but went on to win and lift the league cup in true English

footballing style, winning on penalties and completing a season double. The Under 14s managed by Keith Reynolds finished 3rd in their division and were runners up to Rochester City in the John Leeds Memorial Cup a first for the

team in over 10 years of the team's history. These are just two of the major success stories that have come out of The Iwade Herons camp this year.

Back in September 2021 the new intake of Under 5s (Year R) were welcomed to the club and started their footballing journey. This small group of children have progressed really well learning the basics and enjoying their time with the Development Coach. Training that takes place on Sundays from 8.30am – 9.30am, is always a fun, safe and structured environment allowing the children to learn and develop their skills ahead of potential league games in 2 years time. This team needs more players and also needs a Manager/ Coach to take them forward when the season ends in June..... fancy coaching a team? Have a child in Year R that wants to play? Contact Keith Reynolds on 07921 151974 for further information.

(Below: U5 Development Squad)



Watch this space for information on the 2022/23 season intake of Under 5s that will be announced in September on their Facebook Page The season will finish with the Annual

Presentation Day held at Herons Park on School Lane on Sat 11th June which will be a fun filled day for the whole family, inflatables, bars, food

and ice creams and the presentation to each child at the club. Why not pop along on the day and enjoy the day with The Herons, its open to all not just the club ... Fun starts at 12 noon.

INVICTUS GAMES ATHLETE VISITS IWADE SCHOOL

On Tuesday 19th April Invictus Games competitor Darran Challis visited our school along with sports activator, Leon.

Darran and Leon firstly set up exercises in the hall to encourage and motivate our pupils to take part in Physical Activity.

Darran then shared his story with the pupils during a whole school assembly, explaining at first how he fell in love with sport and physical activity at school. He shared the setbacks he faced during his career in the army, and how his injury





affected him in his everyday life. Darran used some pupils and adults to demonstrate some of the exercises he does throughout his rehabilitation and showed how difficult they

Darran encouraged the children to not give up, show resilience through difficult times, recognise that good can come out of bad situations and shared the incredible things he has been able to achieve since overcoming his injury.



It was a great experience for the pupils to meet Darran and hear his story and hopefully left them inspired and motivated to achieve great things in the

MOVING ON TO SECONDARY SCHOOL - CHANGES, CHALLENGES AND CHOICES!

Lou Funnell

It seems only yesterday that they were starting school! We sewed their names on everything(!), took pictures outside the front door, and one of us cried at the school gates - and now, suddenly, they are moving on to secondary school.

For the last 15 years, I have spent every June and July with Year 6 pupils, talking about moving on to secondary school. In my current role with VIBE (Brogdale CIC/Swale Youth), I have continued to develop these projects and found that not much has changed when it comes to the hopes, worries, and confusions of secondary school. Every year I'm asked about 'swirlies', getting lost, homework, bullying, how to do up a tie (I still get confused!), and much more. Every year there are some raring to go, some a little worried, and a few who are really scared. The aim of our workshops is to help give tips, advice, and encouragement that empowers them with tools as they move forward.

The last couple of years have been different, and for this current year group, there were so many days in lockdown and constantly changing circumstances. Yet the worries and the hopes still remain the same. So how can we help our Year 6s?

Change

I love change, but I know many people find change unnerving and this feels like a big change. One thing we find hopeful is allowing the young people to explore those changes: what are they, how do they feel about them, how could they prepare for them? We can help them find solutions and confidence by preparing them for change (i.e how to do up a tie, get on the bus, split your week's money into daily amounts).

Challenges

However, there are some changes we can't prepare for and

this is where they can become challenges. When we think about challenges, it can make us worried - challenges sit in their area of the unknown. Facing challenges is a way to build our life muscles but, it's easier



said than done. This is one of the reasons why we train Peer Mentors in secondary school, and why all of our youth leaders are able to listen to and mentor young people. It is good to chat to the pupils about the people in their life, and who they can have as part of their support team. I would recommend too that you check out kooth.com as a way your pupil can find support for their wellbeing.

Choices

When faced with changes and challenges, we are led to make a choice. Again, having a support team will help us think about the choices we can make. Sometimes we need outside strength to help us make a difficult choice. When we talk about this in school - they enjoy this section the most because they have to make a choice about which pot of food they are going to eat, without seeing what is in it first! There is pure joy on the face of the one who picks the sweet or chocolate and often confusion on the face of the one who picks a date! We empower young people to believe they can make good choices for themselves.

My final tip: it feels like there is so much pressure to make friends on the first day, and there are lots of tips we give to start a friendly conversation. However, so many of the young people I talked to tell me their best friends came further down the line, and that they wish they hadn't panicked so much in those first few days.

If you would like to know more about this work, Youth mentors or clubs you can contact me at louise@brogdalecic.co.uk - we have a limited number of

URGENTLY NEEDED!!

Can you help? We urgently need somebody to deliver copies of the Iwade Observer to The Saltings, Upper Fans Lane, Sharfleet Crescent, and Chetney View.

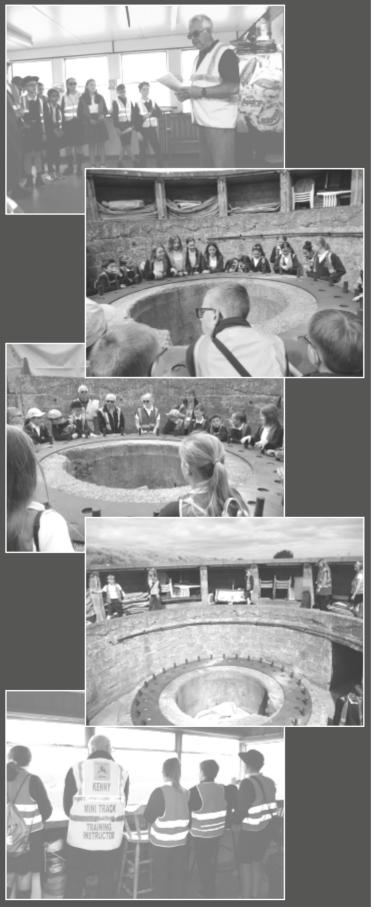
If you can help we'd love to hear from you. The commitment would be for about an hour a month for 10 months of each year. You get to get out and exercise and do a good turn for the community. What's not to like?!?

If you're interested please contact us at the.iwade.observer@gmail.com – we look forward to your email dropping into our mailbox – Thank you



IWADE SCHOOL YEAR SIX PUPILS VISIT OLD GUN SITE

Year 6 pupils recently had the opportunity to visit the World War Two Heavy Anti-Aircraft site in Iwade this term. Paul was an incredible host and shared his knowledge with the children. To have such an important historic site in our locality is incredible and really brought the history to life.





FAITHFUL HEARTED SERVICE

I am writing this in early May and the celebrations for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee are fast approaching. However I'm aware that you will be reading this in June – and possibly even after the events have taken place. So as I write I wonder how many of you are involved in discussions and planning and I wonder how many people and places in each of our communities will take part. I also wonder what memories may have been made.

There is something rather wonderful about this ability as human beings to be able to look ahead as well as to be able to look back. And it's definitely good to be able to enjoy the present moment — making new memories to look back on.

As we reflect on our Queen many of us will be aware that she has been the only monarch we have known. Her enduring service has brought a sense of continuity and stability. And whatever you may think of royalty, Queen Elizabeth herself has shown total dedication and faithfulness in her role. And it has been truly "faithful" service - her life has been guided by her faith and trust in God.

I don't know how many of you have heard the song from HOPE publishing called "Rise up and serve"? I discovered it by accident but found it rather inspiring. It begins with the words; "In this glorious year of the Jubilee we give thanks for Her Majesty. In honour of a faithful heart who chose to serve and to play her part."

I like the reference to her "faithful heart" – and also that she chose to serve. At one level this speaks of her commitment and loyalty in her service as queen – but it also points to her deeply rooted faith in God and to her living out her faith.

So let us give thanks for Queen Elizabeth – for her life of loving and generous service and for her faith and faithfulness. Let us pray that we might also have faithful hearts – faith in our faithful God and the readiness to serve others.

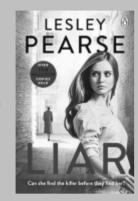
With every blessing, Lis Willmet, Lay Reader

IWADE READING AND BOOK GROUP

Hilary Foulds

At our May meeting we discussed The Long Call by Ann Cleeves, famaous for her Vera series of books. It's set in north Devon and features

detective Matthew Venn, a sympathetic character, complex and subtle. We found it generally to be a compelling read. With multiple plots and characters, the book addresses many issues including male dominance, gay relations, religious cult and learning difficulties.



Many of the group had seen the television adaptation previously but this didn't seem to have spoiled the reading experience. How many of us will read the subsequent book "The Heron's Crv"?

Our next meeting, hosted by Ann McDermott is at the Barn Iwade on Tuesday 14 June. We'll be reviewing "Liar" by Lesley Pearse. And at our meeting on Tuesday 12 July we'll be discussing "Brick Lane" by Monica Ali.



SITTINGBOURNE CRUSADERS TAKE THE WIN AFTER 14 YEARS

Glenn Collins

For the first time since 2008 a Sittingbourne Crusaders side took to competitive action in the MSDL and what a return it was under manager Jamie Willis' reign winning 20-15 over Monmore Green based Parry's International Wolf Cubs thus proving the old adage, "In order to finish first, first you must finish".

It was a case of familiar foe as Sam Woolley became a visitor and led the Wolf Cubs charge with victories in heats 1, 2 and 4 which led the Wolf Cubs into a 14-10 lead, however Sam was soon to play a crucial role in turning the match in the most unfortunate of ways. Leading Heat 5 his footrest dug in the first bend shale and high sided the unfortunate Woolley. In the re-run after Taya Thirtle had missed the 2-minute time allowance, and had to go off the 15-metre handicap, lone Wolf Cub Bailey Fellows also came to grief on the first corner, and this left the door wide open for James Jessop and Taya Thirtle to complete the four laps and put the Crusaders 1 point up, going into the last race, having claimed a 5-0.

That final race saw James and Rhys Laker combine for a 5-1 over Jamie Sealey and Bailey Fellows which put the gloss on a great team performance. Speaking afterwards manager Jamie Willis said he was "delighted with the way the team worked together."

Kent promoter Si Kellow added "We knew the only way to develop riders was to give them competitive racing, and the team on track today have got off to a great start. Tom McDonald might not have been on track today, but he was in the pits assisting, so this was a 100% team win"

Sittingbourne 20

James Jessop James Laker Rhys Laker Taya Thirtle	2 1' 2 0	0 3 2	3 3 2' 2'		5 7 6 2	1 1 1
Wolf Cubs 15 Sam Woolley	3	3	3	X	9	-
Jamie Sealey R/R	0	1'	1	1	3	
Bailey Fellows	1	2	F	0	3	

Heat Details

- Woolley, Jessop, J. Laker (fell rem), Sealey (fell rem) 63.3 3-3
- Woolley, R. Laker, Fellows, Thirtle 62.3 5-7
- J. Laker, Fellows, Sealey, Jessop 65.6 8-10
- Woolley, R. Laker, Sealey (fell rem), Thirtle 67.8 10-14
- (re-run) Jessop, Thirtle (exc 2 mins 15m), Fellows (fell) Woolley (FX) 77.5 15-14
- J. Laker, R. Laker, Sealey, Fellows 64.9 20-15

KENT ROYALS – SPEEDWAY

Si Kellow

Such a lot has happened in the last few months with league speedway at Iwade, we'd better start at the beginning to get you up to speed.

The team was accepted by the BSPL (the body which oversees league racing) on the 11th of March. which was a relief as the first match for the Royals was to be down in Plymouth on the 29th of March. When we arrived in Plymouth, there was a hint of rain in the air, but none of us were concerned about that - this was the first meeting in the National Development League calendar. The racing got underway, and Andrea and I sat in the stands and made friends with the Centurions

Befriending them was probably a good idea, seeing as by the end of the 8th heat we were beating them 19-29. The heat would be required to decide final score was 38-52, which meant not only did we win our first match (which put us top of the National Development League), but because of the way that league points work in speedway, we got 4 points. Those points could prove vital at the end of the season.

As a quick explanation, if you are the home team, then you get 3 points for a win, 1 point for a draw, and 0 points for a loss. But when you are the away team, you get 4 points if you win by 7 or more, 3 if you win by up to 6, 2 points for a draw, if you lose but by 6 or less points you get 1 point, and lose by 7 or more you get zip.

We had a bit of a wait for our next match, which was to be our first at Iwade. Easter Sunday saw the Kent "Iwade Garage" Royals take on the Thurrock "Devines Accountants" Hammers for "The Tunnel Trophy". It was a tense match, and going into the final heat either team could have taken the trophy home. The final scoreline was 49-41, and I must say the Tunnel Trophy is resplendent on the mantelpiece. We ran a competition in the village for a family to come along who had never been to speedway, and the winner was Anne-Marie Scales who uttered the words "but I never win anything". The weather was

fantastic, and they had a great time, even getting a pic with the Royals number 1 Alfie Bowtell. This wasn't a league match, so no change to the league table.

It was a trip to Mildenhall (probably the closest league track to Iwade) for the first leg of the Knock Out Cup Semi-Final on the 24th April. The Fen Tigers had three riders from last years Royals in their line-up - Ryan Kinsley, Alex Spooner and Josh Warren. The Royals had a few technical issues, and came away from the first leg 12 points behind on 51-39.

The 2nd leg was at Iwade on May Day, and it was another glorious morning that greeted us at The Old Gun Site. After 29 heats (15 from the 1st leg and 14 from the 2nd) a 5-1 would mean that both teams would have been on 90 points, and a golden the winner. It was a bittersweet outcome - they got a 2-4. That meant that The Royals won the 2nd leg 48-42, but lost the match on aggregate 87-93.

May Day also saw the first match for the Midland and Southern Development League (MSDL) team, the Sittingbourne Crusaders. We welcomed the Wolverhampton Wolf Cubs, and our quartet (MSDL only use 4 riders in a match, and race over 6 heats) raced their socks off to secure a 20-15 win.

Our last match (in this instalment) was plenty in the 59 seconds it took for the on the 15th May against the Leicester Lion Cubs. All around Kent there were line first, with Dan Thompson hard on reports of heavy rain, but the track stayed dry and what a meeting it was. In the intervening weeks since Plymouth, the Royals had slipped to 3rd in the league, but the teams above

us have had many more matches. The first race of the afternoon was a 3-3, but Alfie Bowtell set a new track record of 57.1s, taking 0.4s off the track record of 57.5s he set on May Day! Sadly, in heat 2, Leicester reserve Max Perry suffered an accident that required a trip to A&E, where it was later found that he had broken his collar bone. After a delay for the ambulance to take him to hospital, the racing got underway again, and what an afternoon of racing it was. The Royals locked out all chances Leicester had by winning 11 of the 15 heats. Heat 13 provided the only 5-1 maximum of the whole match, with Ben Morley coming through from 3rd on the third lap. The cheers of the home crowd reinforced the feeling that they had witnessed something special. Heat 14 definitely felt a bit "hold my drink" after that, with Joe Alcock and Sam Woolley delivering the points to give the Royals the match win - 46-38.

Heat 15 was still to come, and it was a near repeat of heat 13, with the Royals pairing of Morley and Bowtell lined up against Dan Thompson and Connor Coles. Leicester still had a battle on their hands, as they were perilously close to losing the one league point that an "away loss by 6 or less" would have given them. Alfie and Ben had most definitely got the memo on points, and the fast and furious 4 laps of the Iwade track delivered thrills-arace to play out. Bowtell crossed the his heels, and Morley brought home a third place - the score for that heat was 4-2, and was enough to lose Leicester their away point.

> The Kent "Iwade Garage" Royals have moved up to 2nd place in the National League, after 2 matches, and are on 7 league points. The Berwick Bullets are leading the league after 5 matches (of their 14) and are on 13 points. It's off to Berwick for the Royals on the 21st of May, we'll let you know how we get

> If anyone is interested in the speedway, you can find more details about when our matches are on at www.kentroyals.co.uk, or for home matches, get hold of a "Visit Swale" booklet



IWADE PARISH COUNCIL - MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 13 APRIL 2022

Present

Cllr. A. Dollimore – Chair

Cllr. B. Smith

Cllr S. Tolhurst

Cllr. S. Waters

Cllr. S. Lancashire

Cllr. R. Langham

Clerk - Samantha Gray

PCSO Thomas Green Colleague Community Warden Helen Binning 3 Residents

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Proposed by Cllr. Langham and seconded by Cllr. Waters, the Minutes of the Parish meeting held on the 9 March 2022 were agreed and signed by the Chair as a true record.

Visitors/Public Time

- 1. Visitors 3 residents attended the meeting to request a response from the village hall committee, regarding their concerns reported at the March Parish Council meeting. The village hall will respond in due course.
- 2. Community Warden Reported the following:
- a. The Meet and Game event at Herons playing field was very well attended by teenagers who despite the rainy weather enjoyed playing football and playing old fashioned games consoles. Will look at getting this weekend with the dispersal this back in the future.
- **b.** There have been incidents of fly-tipping at Raspberry Hill which will be dealt with.

3. PCSO -

A. CRIMES OF NOTE:

- i. 01/03/2022 Theft School Lane, Iwade - Dog stolen from owner's land when dogs were outside playing. Report has been filed pending any further lines of enquiry.
- ii. 02/03/2022 Nuisance Youths there on attendance. - School Mews, Iwade - Group of youths causing issues around shops. Have caused damage to a car in the car park. Investigation is currently ongoing.
- iii. 02/03/2022 Nuisance Vehicles - Peach Blossom Drive. Iwade – Reported that a group of four trials bikes without number plates were driving across the fields. Patrols attended; however, no bikes were located.
- iv. 27/03/2022 Nuisance Vehicles – Old Ferry Road, Sheppey Way, Iwade and Bobbing – A large group of cars were racing in the streets and being very loud. Multiple reports of this were received. Several patrols from the Roads Policing Unit were deployed to the location, resulting in all vehicles being dispersed from the area. Because of these incidents, a Section. 34 dispersal order had been authorised for the weekend of 01/04/22-03/04/2022. No racing incidents have been reported over order on.
- **B. ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR AND OTHER INCIDENTS OF NOTE:**
- i. 04/03/2022 Nuisance Youths not allow attendance on this - School Mews, Iwade - Group of youths causing a nuisance outside the shop. Patrols attended, and

youths moved out of the area.

- ii. 06/03/2022 Nuisance Vehicles - Ridham Docks - Group of 6 cars racing each other, around Old Ferry Road/ Sheppey Way. This was happening in early hours of the morning. Patrols attended; however, the vehicles were not
- iii. 19/03/2022 Nuisance Vehicles - Sheppey Crossing - A large car meet was reported under the Sheppey Crossing. Patrols attended, and assessed situation. all cars were at the time of attendance behaving, and no offences had been committed.
- iv. 31/03/2022 Nuisance Youths - Swallow Avenue, Iwade -Group of youths hanging around the area, being loud and a general nuisance.
- v. 06/04/2022 Nuisance Youths - Chetney View, Iwade - Group of youths were seen to be running up to and banging on resident's doors, and then running away.
- vi. 09/04/2022 Nuisance Vehicles - Ridham Docks - A group of 5/6 vehicles were reported to be racing around the Ridham Docks area. Patrols attended, however there were no vehicles there on attendance.
- vii. 11/04/2022 Nuisance Youths – School Mews, Iwade – A group of males were reported to be throwing tree branches into the road and being noisy. Unfortunately, patrol resourcing did occasion.

C. UPDATE REGARDING CCTV IN THE square Lampposts have been tested to Woodpecker Park will be used and will cover the park and the shop.

D. OTHER

Resident asked PCSO how to report Proposed by Cllr. Lancashire and incidents, they advised to use the online 101 live chat method, and to confirm with KCC Landscape also still report even if the incident services. is no longer happening as it will still be recorded.

Correspondence

1. Parking on grass verge 44 Ferry Road - email 07/03 - Council members discussed and agreed bollards are needed. Clerk to source quotes.2. Parking in Cormorant Road – email 02/04 – Council members discussed the parking issues in Cormorant Road are making the road inaccessible to large vehicles such as bin lorries and fire engines. Cllr. Dollimore suggested an exercise of driving a fire engine around the village to highlight and raise awareness of parking. Cllr. Dollimore to contact Kent Police for approval. Keep on Agenda.

Action: Cllr. Dollimor

Finance

Queen's Platinum Jubilee Beacon

Clerk to follow up with contractors and for quotes, insurance, risk assessment and method statements and to also advertise the lighting of the Beacon. Cllr. Lancashire advised the Beacon is ready.

Action: Clerk

Christmas Tree Fencing - Council members discussed quotes and agreed a quote of £967. Proposed by Cllr. Dollimore and seconded by Cllr. Lancashire.

Soft Landscape Assets 2022-2023 – Proposed by Cllr. Langham and email 28/02 - Council members agreed to take on the grass cutting maintenance for another year. seconded by Cllr. Waters. Clerk to

£300 Grant Air Ambulance KSS **see e-mail 17.03.22** – Proposed by Cllr. Langham and seconded by Cllr. Lancashire; agreed a S.137 donation of £300.

Keyboard and Mouse, Dictaphone cost £45.48 share 50% with BPC -

Proposed by Cllr. Dollimore and seconded by Cllr. Lancashire.

Microsoft 365/mailbox for the RFO replaced. cost £3.80 per month for mailbox, plus £9.40 per month

for 365 – Cost of mailbox incorrectly shown on April Agenda, Clerk advised council members the correct cost of the mailbox is £3.80 per month, proposed by Cllr. Waters and seconded by Cllr. Tolhurst.

National Salary Award 2021-2022 - bookings so far.

National increase, backdated to 1st April 2021, proposed by Cllr. Langham and seconded by Cllr. Smith.

Payroll Fee Increase from 1 April 2022 and Rates Update for the 2022-23 Tax Year - Council members agreed to the payroll fee increase from McCabe Ford Williams of 3%. Proposed by Cllr. Dollimore and seconded by Cllr.

SLCC membership cost £186 share 50% with BPC - Council members

Lancashire.

agreed to renew SLCC membership Action: Clerk for Clerk; £186 cost to be shared for suitability. The closest lamppost **Devolved Maintenance of Highway** 50% with Bobbing Parish Council. seconded by Cllr. Lancashire. **SLCC Course: Agendas & Minutes** for Clerk £60 share 50% with BPC -Proposed by Cllr. Dollimore and seconded by Cllr. Waters. SLCC Course: Introduction to Local **Council Administration for Clerk** Action: Clerk £120 + VAT share 50% with BPC -Proposed by Cllr. Smith and seconded by Cllr. Tolhurst.

Reports from Representatives

- 1. Hall Cllr. Langham advised the Action: Clerk following:
 - a. A new boiler has been installed
 - b. Electrician has carried out repairs to lights in the hall and the consumer unit in the bar has been
 - c. A new ceiling will be fitted during the summer holidays on 22nd July.
 - **d.** The hall committee are planning to paint and decorate the hall, Cllr. Waters advised he has a contact for this.
 - e. The hall is open for private hire and there have been several
 - f. A new digital lock box will be installed for hirers to collect keys to the hall.

Any Other Matters Arising

Cllr. Langham discussed the need for the community speed watch, which he plans to carry out, but reports numbers of volunteers are currently low. Anybody in the community can volunteer to take part without committing a great deal of time.