



## **Chevening Parish Council**

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Hello Chevening,

I thought I would provide a brief update on the activities of the Parish Council, and to attempt to answer a few queries which may be on people's minds.

May I firstly recognise, congratulate and thank those who have stepped up to assist the community in these troubled times. The various websites and teams coming together to assist is something to be proud of. Too many to mention here, but rest assured their moment will come. Our wonderful Community is continuing to flourish, and will no doubt be in good shape to bounce back when better times are here.

Your Parish Council has been Meeting every week (via Zoom) to ensure that any necessary measures are promptly taken care of. Every "vulnerable" person in the Parish has been matched with a suitably located volunteer, and all prescriptions, food deliveries and other essentials are being delivered without fuss or difficulty. The system has resilience, with spare volunteers ready to step in should an existing volunteer have to self isolate themselves.

We have engaged with Chevening Estates to delay any Planning Application for the proposed Enhancements, so that an appropriate Presentation to the Parish can take place prior to any decision being made to support or object.

Can I take this opportunity to remind the keen gardeners among us that bonfires can have a serious effect on neighbours with breathing difficulties, and exacerbate an already difficult situation. Please refrain for the time being.

We were very sorry to have to cancel the proposed VE Day Street Party, but have to adhere to and promote Government Advice. Sadly, the organisers of the National Celebrations for VE Day have also had to cancel their proposed celebrations. Please see:

<https://www.veday75.org/>

We would therefore encourage all to toast the occasion at 3pm.

The Council is fully aware that the passing of various commemorative dates is most unfortunate, and should not be overlooked completely. Rest assured that as soon as circumstances permit, we will be looking to organise a Street Party and Community Event where we can together mark VE and VJ Day, and celebrate the passing of the Corona Virus Emergency.

Best wishes to you all; this will not last forever.

Andy Clark.

Chairman, Chevening Parish Council.