



The
**Sandgate
Society**

COMMITTEE MEETING NOTES

NOTES From

Agenda for 13 April 2026

9 March 2026 meeting

1.0	Attendees Heidi Bailey Vicky Feaver Eddie Grimble Sal Kenward Rosie Sanders Liz Smith Lizzie Smith Apologies Giles Topping Kevin Roberts Steve Blunt	Apologies
2.0	Committee & Previous Minutes The previous Minutes were reviewed and agreed. These were signed off and will be sent to Bryan for publishing on the website.	Previous Minutes
3.0	Events AGM : 53 attendees, 1 apology. The cost to SanSoc was £454, as against £617 in 2020, and the contribution to PR and goodwill from members was priceless. The feedback from attending members was as positive as it could be and it was therefore agreed to keep to the same format in 2027 – chairs around tables. The Waitrose food was a success. Leas Lift speaker considered to be excellent and the subject appealed to the membership. One possible speaker for 2027 could be Peter Montgomery from the Rainbow Centre talking about not only the homeless but the food side etc. Bill, Alison and Ollie of the Royal Norfolk thanked the membership for their Business of the Year Award. New Events Programme : 2 posters will be put up in Library.	Events

	Spring coffee morning is 28 March and Leigh’s talk on Tying Up Loose Ends on 11 April in RR are coming up. 20 May tour of Canterbury Cathedral will cost members entry to the Cathedral but the tour charge by member Ann Sinfield will be waived. £1,500 has been received from Saga for SLF. Liz will be talking to Cllr. Gary Fuller regarding a Ward grant as there is an element of children’s education in the programme. Deposit on Le Touquet paid so advertising to commence soon. Sloe gin and Autumnal Spirits to be engraved Lizzie Smith and Victoria Feaver.	Vicky to put on social media Sal to organise								
4.0	Premises and Reading Rooms Theatre lighting designer Chris Wilcox is having problems at the moment. It has been decided that he is the right person for the job, so we will wait until he is recovered. Anji Davies to be approached to make lined curtains for the tower window. New rail probably needed.	Premises Leigh and Sal to monitor. Liz to speak with Anji								
5.0	Planning <table><tr><td>Bybrook Field</td><td>Withdrawn by applicant.</td></tr><tr><td>Land rear cliff house.</td><td>No objections.</td></tr><tr><td>36 and 38 Sandgate High Street.</td><td>Approve with conditions.</td></tr><tr><td>54 Enbrook Valley Folkestone.</td><td>Refused</td></tr></table> Applications: 26/0168/FH Willow Court, Enbrook Road, Sandgate, CT20 3NU Determination as to whether the prior approval of the Local Planning Authority is required under schedule 2, part 20 - class A (General permitted development order 2015) for the erection of one storey extension on top of the existing building, to accommodate 4 no self- contained dwellings.	Bybrook Field	Withdrawn by applicant.	Land rear cliff house.	No objections.	36 and 38 Sandgate High Street.	Approve with conditions.	54 Enbrook Valley Folkestone.	Refused	
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6.0	Parish Council Guy's tribute has been sent out to members. Susan Claris to be asked to be our link, with a monthly update.	Parish Council Sal to email
7.0	Social Media & Communications Bryan has taken over the website and a decision on re-working the site will be taken by him and Vicky who will report back.	Social Media & Communications
8.0	Environment & Sustainability The Big Green Fair will take place on 7 th June 2026 at Saga with over 50 stalls. Around 20 volunteers needed. SEA would like a grant of £130 from SanSoc for 2 garden cameras, log books etc which will be roving around the community to log wildlife and encourage garden awareness and Sandgate Watch. This was agreed by the Committee and also suggested asking members if they would like to sponsor more cameras.	Environment & Sustainability SEA to send email for Vicky to send out for volunteers and for extra sponsorship.
9.0	Treasurer No queries from membership on the accounts. We spent around £10k on the building in 2025, and will be spending around the same on the roof this year when a roofer can be confirmed. Despite arrangements, no smart meter yet installed.	Treasurer
10.0	Membership Not renewing are: Chris & Sharon Hawkins Mabel Law Cristian and Maria Fellicetti Denise Finn Annette Sutcliffe Paul Merriman Lynda Hopkins Chrissy Forrest Frances Page New member:	Membership

	Susan Scott from 3 Coast House Encombe							
11.0	Archives It was noted that no member of the Archive Team either sent their apologies or attended the AGM. The Archives sent a booklet they had been working on TimeLine of Sandgate. This is an excellent publication and only regret is that we could not showcase it at the AGM.	Archives Sal to get quotes for printing.						
12.0	AOB Possible community crowdfunding for Patrick Butler to take over 58 Sandgate High Street in abeyance until Patrick contacts us. He may have a private investor. The Archives had received a plaque from someone in Lincolnshire which had washed up in the sea during Storm Goretti. The inscription said “May Your Feet Rest Here In Memory of Geoffery Edmunds Presented by the Sandgate Society” Facebook log in still unknown. Possible new Committee Meeting times to change to 1600 as the RR is let out from 1830 on a Monday. This was agreed with those present. Carol Songbook – Vicky to play with cover using Euan Williamson Christmas card. Leigh to proof read the final draft.	Vicky to send out to membership with photos Sal to liaise with Guy and Bob Preedy. Sal to check with Kevin, Steve and Giles and confirm time of next meeting. Sal to give Vicky the card.						
13.0	Next Meeting Monday 13 April 2026 at 1700	2026 Meeting schedule <table><tr><td>May 11th</td></tr><tr><td>June 8th</td></tr><tr><td>July 13th</td></tr><tr><td>Sept 7th</td></tr><tr><td>Oct 5th</td></tr><tr><td>Nov 9th</td></tr></table>	May 11th	June 8th	July 13th	Sept 7th	Oct 5th	Nov 9th
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