

Stansted Parish Council
comprising the villages of
Stansted & Fairseat

**Items of interest from the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 6th
January 2014**

The first meeting of 2014 was held on 6th January. Apologies that this month's Parish Brief is going to appear negative.

For the first time for a long time the only people present were parish councilors. Consequently there were no County and Borough Councillors' reports. There were no planning applications to consider either, making for a short meeting. The Chairman commented that there had been a significant change since he had become a parish councilor, partly due to new planning legislation and partly due to the cost to borough councils of appeals.

A quotation had been received from Landscape Services (formerly KCC Landscape Services) to continue providing the grass cutting etc in the villages, which was accepted.

There is no real update on the provision of broadband, although it is expected improvements throughout Kent and Medway will take place sometime during this year or next. Where we are in this programme is not yet known.

Some Neighbourhood Watch forms for Stansted have been received and are being passed to the PCSO. If you want to get involved and haven't yet completed your form, please do so and pass it on to Sheila Goodworth or Penny Goring.

Sadly the Montessori group that started up in Stansted Village Hall last year has now closed, as there were insufficient children to make it viable. It is to be hoped that this will not impact too greatly on the school.

The next meetings will be held on Monday 3rd February in Fairseat Village Hall and on Monday 3rd March in Stansted Village Hall, both starting at 8.00 pm. Everyone is welcome.

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