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Thanington Without Parish Council, Canterbury
Protecting and promoting the interests of everyone who lives in this community

ISSUE 1

BRINGING PARISH COUNCIL NEWS & INFORMATION TO YOUR DOOR

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WHAT DOES YOUR PARISH COUNCIL DO FOR YOU?

YOUR PARISH Council has more formal powers to do things than you may think.

It plays a key role in housing, transport, health and other local plans

It funds community projects and helps develop youth activities and services for the elderly

Monitors street lighting, pavements and pathways

Prunes trees and shrubbery

Looks after play areas, rivers and areas of common land

Provides allotments, litter

THE ELECTED CHAIRMAN of Thanington Without Parish Council, **Graham Page**, controls the business of the Council meetings.

THE PARISH CLERK, **Roger Cheesworth**, is the council's Chief Executive. He ensures the accounts are strictly kept and audited every year.

ALL RESIDENTS are welcome to attend the Parish Council meetings and everyone gets a chance, if they wish, to air their views. Meetings take place at ARCA hall, Ashford Road, on the second Monday of every month (except August) at 7.30 pm.

bins, bus shelters and public seats

Supports transport schemes

The Parish Council can do things by providing facilities or services itself or by helping others financially, such as volunteers or charities, to achieve their aims.

Your Parish Council is funded by a small part of the Council Tax and has every incentive to give and get value for money.

Every penny it receives it spends on you.

Help with planning issues

All planning applications in Thanington Without are put before the Parish Council.

The councillors make their comments and recommendations to the Clerk who reports back to the City Council Development and Planning department.

If the Parish Council object to an application it may go to appeal.

If you think your application may be controversial, Parish Councillors are always willing to visit your home or business and offer advice, once your application has been made.

All correspondence to the Parish Council should be made to:

**Roger Cheesworth,
Parish Council Clerk,
c/o 30 New House Lane,
Canterbury CT4 7BH**

**Telephone: 01227 761 642
Or by email via the Website
www.thanington-pc.gov.uk**

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