



# Burwash Parish Matters March 2026

Following the Parish Council Meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> April

## Footpaths and Rights of Way

The Parish Council were delighted to welcome John Harmer, the Burwash Local Footpath Warden on his work in the parish keeping the footpaths, bridleways and rights of way suitable for use and clearly signposted. John's knowledge of all footpaths and rights of way in the parish means his work with the ESCC rights of way team is delivered directly to the source for the community. If you have any concerns about rights of way in the parish, please use the online rights of way map that allows you to report a problem [Online rights of way map | East Sussex County Council](#) or contact Emma, the Clerk who will be able to help.

## New Parish Councillor

The Parish Council welcome Cllr. Crawford Patterson to the Parish Council. Crawford has a wealth of business experience to use in this role as Councillor as well as having been a Burwash resident for more than 20 years. Councillors are volunteer roles, so we are always grateful for those who give their time to improve the community in which they live. If you are interested in becoming a Parish Councillor or would like more information, please contact Emma, the Clerk.

## Grants

The Parish Council have granted £1,000 to the Burwash Girl Guides to purchase tents to support them to attend a Summer event and for future use.

The Parish Council also granted £500 to Burwash Short Mat Bowls as a partial payment towards replacing their bowls mats. The group meet in the Village Hall in Burwash and play competitively within a league.

## Parish Assembly

The annual Parish Assembly is taking place on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May at 7pm in the Village Hall and we are delighted to announce that Dr Kieran Mullan MP will be speaking at the event. Those organisations that have had parish council grants are invited to update everyone on how the funding has impacted their organisation. All Burwash residents are welcome to attend. There are refreshments and a light buffet available. For more information, please contact Emma, the Clerk.

## Parish Priorities

The first meeting of the working party tasked with looking at parish priorities is taking place on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm. This group will be looking at the funding available to improve infrastructure in the community and will recommend actions to Full Council for decisions to be made. Residents are welcome to be part of this group. If you are interested, please contact Emma, the Clerk.

## Equestrian Road Safety Meeting

On 16<sup>th</sup> May, our local PSCO and members of the British Equestrian Society will be meeting with interested parties to discuss awareness of equestrian road safety and to talk through initiatives that might increase safety for horses and riders in Burwash and the surrounding parishes. If you would like to attend, please contact Emma, the Clerk for more information.

*The next meeting of the Parish Council is the Annual Parish Meeting where the Chair and Vice Chair are voted on for another year. The meeting is on Tuesday 12th May at 7pm at Burwash Common, Pavilion.*

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