

Newsletter

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7:30pm
Thursday 31 January
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LETTER FROM THE CHAIR

Welcome to the winter edition of our parish council newsletter. I hope that everyone has happy, healthy and peaceful 2019.

At long last the building work on Seymour Field pavilion has begun. The parish council has a lease for the next 25 years guaranteeing the field to all local residents for recreation.

Our builders agreed to start work after the Christmas/New Year break. During the building work access to the field's car park will be heavily restricted and you will need to access the field from the pedestrian entrance closest to the corner of New Road.

We are forming a new committee to manage the field and pavilion and we will be going out to tender for pitch and field maintenance in the next couple of months.

As I'm sure you will be aware Essex County Council have labelled our local library as 'tier 3', meaning that they envisage that it will only remain open with 'community involvement'. We have found out that the annual running costs for our library are around £50,000 and are currently trying to find out more about what 'community involvement' implies.



We have called a parish public meeting for Thursday 31 January at 7.30pm at the Community Club Hall for residents to discuss the future of the library.

It is vital that the parish council understands what residents expect from their local library. Find out how you can make a difference in our main news story.

In the meantime, can I encourage everyone to complete the Essex County Council consultation exercise available at:

libraries.essex.gov.uk and let the County

Council know how you feel about the threat to our library. However I'd also suggest that it would be appropriate to write or email our County Councillor, Lesley Wagland (cllr.lesley.wagland@essex.gov.uk) and the Cabinet Member responsible for libraries Councillor Susan Barker (cllr.susan.barker@essex.gov.uk) both at County Hall, Market Road, Chelmsford, Essex CM1 1QH

Finally, I'd like to thank our staff, who have had to handle additional workload to accommodate the number of projects that we are working on.

Best wishes

Councillor Paul Jeater
Chair Ingatestone and Fryerning Parish Council

PARISH DATES, VENUES & TIMES

All meetings are held at **7.30pm in Ingatestone Library, High Street** unless otherwise stated.

All agendas are published five days in advance of the meeting on the parish council noticeboards, Facebook and parish council website.



Full Council meets on the 1st Thursday of the month.



Churchyards and Environments Committee meets on the 2nd Monday of the month.



Policy & Resources Committee meetings on the 3rd Monday of the month.



Planning Committee meets every other Tuesday at 6.30pm in Ingatestone Library.



Communications & IT meets quarterly

Minutes of all meetings are available on the parish council website, Ingatestone Library and from the parish council office.



Neighbourhood Plan Advisory Committee (NPAC) meetings on the 3rd Tuesday of the month.

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GENERAL NEWS

THE FUTURE OF INGATESTONE LIBRARY #MYLIBRARY



Essex County Council (ECC) announced last year that Ingatestone Library's services have been evaluated as 'tier 3'. This means that in the future the library could be "run by the community or other partners with ECC support". IFPC wants its residents to hear your views and suggestions on the future running of the library.

What can you do?

- Join us and bring your ideas to a public meeting on **Thursday 31 January 2019** at **7.30pm** at the **Community Centre**. Please come along and give us your views and comments on the future of the library. Please do spread the word about this meeting as we want as many people as possible to attend.
- Complete the 12-week consultation, which launched on **29 November 2018**, by going to www.essex.gov.uk/libraries-consultation.
- Attend Essex County Council's week-long information drop-in at Ingatestone library from **14 January 2019** and ask any questions that you may have.
- The parish council has written to county councillor, Lesley Wagland, and the cabinet minister responsible for libraries, Councillor Barker with our questions concerning the library and we have requested a meeting. You can also write to **Councillor Wagland** with your views about the library at:

Members' Suite
Essex County Council
PO Box 11 County Hall
Essex
CM1 1LX

- Follow **@IngFryPC** on Facebook and Twitter to stay up to date with the latest developments and actions tagging **#MyLibrary**.



GENERAL NEWS

SEYMOUR FIELD PAVILION WORK COMMENCES

Ingatestone and Fryerning Parish Council (IFPC) is delighted to announce that the renovation of Seymour Field Pavilion is due to commence. The start of the work follows almost two years of negotiations and many hours spent by parish councillors to secure a lease which protected the best interests of the parish.



The parish council fought for this so strongly because Seymour Field are the only publicly-owned recreation field in the parish. It is used by all the villages football teams, dog walkers, youth groups and for community events such as the annual I&F Horticultural Society Summer Show.

IFPC has ambitious plans for further playground facilities and a potential Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA), which will be available for a whole variety of sports and will further increase the use of the field by the community and local schools.

The pavilion has unfortunately fallen into disrepair and does not meet current Football Association (FA) standards. The grant awarded by the Premier League and The FA Facilities Fund will allow the parish council to entirely renovate the facility to allow for community events, modern changing facilities and local groups.

The renovation work has a confirmed start date of 7 January 2019. The completion of the new build will be sooner than first anticipated with an expected completion time of the end of April.

IFPC would like to remind residents that during this period the car park at Seymour Field will be closed.

Thank you for your co-operation and understanding.

IFPC FITS TWO NEW DEFIBRILLATORS

Ingatestone and Fryerning Parish Council are installing two new defibrillators in Summer 2019 in Ingatestone and Fryerning to accommodate the whole parish.

Based on European data, it is estimated that there are approximately 60,000 out of hospital cardiac arrests in the UK every year (Defibshop). The parish council have decided to install new defibrillators at the Catholic church and the Fryerning parish rooms.

Currently our only defibrillator is positioned outside the Co-Op on the High Street. The new additions will



mean that residents outside the centre of Ingatestone will have access to this life-saving equipment.

If you are interested in CPR training or learning how to operate a defibrillator, please contact the parish council via social media @IngFryPC or email office@ingatestone-fryerningpc.gov.uk. Once installed, training will be offered with limited spaces.

IFPC INSTALLS HIGH STREET CHRISTMAS TREES

IFPC continued its festive tradition of installing the Christmas trees above 44 shops and businesses along the High Street last month. This is the 21st year that IFPC has erected the trees and we are looking forward to sponsoring this annual event in 2019.

IFPC paid for the trees to be installed where businesses had existing electric sockets and brackets to position them. The cost included a safety check for each tree.

We would also like to thank IDC Greenscapes Ltd for their hard work in installing and checking the trees and Chelmsford-based Spectrum Electrical for undertaking the electrical work.

Chair Councillor Paul Jeater said: "The Christmas trees are one of the things that make us unique during the festive time of year. We always receive compliments about the High Street at this time of year and it is an important part of our heritage that we don't want to lose."

The parish council is budgeting for the Christmas trees again in 2019.



GENERAL NEWS

IFPC PLANTS TREE TO COMMEMORATE THE END OF WWI

To mark the centenary anniversary of the end of World War I, Ingatestone and Fryerning Parish Council (IFPC) planted a mountain ash tree at the Remembrance Day service on 11 November 2018 next to the war memorial at St. Edmund and St. Mary's Church.

Our chair, Councillor Paul Jeater gave a speech at the unveiling. The service, to remember the 80 villagers who did not return, was well attended by the local community.

Councillors Rachel Lee and Emma Benson also represented the parish council at the Remembrance Day service at Fryerning Church.

To protect the tree and create a more visual reminder of the great sacrifice made, a bespoke tree guard has been commissioned incorporating a poppy design. The guard is currently being made by a local blacksmith and will be installed within the next few months.

Rev. Patrick Sherring would like to thank the 500 people that attended the services at both churches.

IFPC also marked the centenary year with the installation of 100 poppies along the High Street. We are looking to make this a new annual tradition in the village after receiving positive feedback from residents.



A MUSEUM FOR INGATESTONE



A year or so back the prospect of developing a museum for Ingatestone and Fryerning was discussed by the parish council. The cottage adjacent to the level crossing on Station Lane was mentioned as a possible location. While there was general support for the idea it was felt that it had to be put on the back burner while the negotiations regarding Seymour Field limped on.

Last summer, an opportunity arose for our chair, Councillor Paul Jeater to meet with representatives of Great Anglia and the Railway Heritage Society to discuss the cottage. There was interest and support for restoring the building and for the parish council's museum proposal.

Great Anglia arranged for the bramble and nettles to be cleared to allow easier access to the building and they have subsequently carried out an internal and external survey of the building. Initial reports suggest that thankfully the building is asbestos free, although there is a need for a substantial amount of renovation work.

The next step is for Greater Anglia to meet and discuss their plans for restoration with Brentwood Borough Council. It is a Grade II listed building but hopefully the negotiations will permit work to progress during 2019 as this year marks the 175th anniversary of the railway coming to Ingatestone. It would be a fitting moment to bring this building back into use for the village.



COMMITTEE UPDATES

IMPROVING PARKING IN OUR VILLAGES

In 2018, IFPC conducted two surveys for residents and businesses to let you have your say about our villages. Information that we have collected will be analysed to produce our community-led Neighbourhood Plan - our benchmark for future developments.

One of the key findings in both questionnaires was that our residents and local businesses are very concerned about the provision of parking for visitors, residents and employees commuting to Ingatestone and Fryerning.

We learnt that 75 per cent of employees use their own vehicle to travel to work. 44 per cent travel from outside a five-mile radius of their work place.

New sites for parking need to be identified and evaluated. Brentwood Borough Council is reviewing its existing garage sites for alternative use.

Two sites earmarked for development in the new Local Development Plan could be used to increase capacity, especially the site classified for 'employment and mixed use' adjacent to the by-pass, part bounded by the Roman Road.

We have the opportunity in producing our Neighbourhood Plan, to develop a policy prescribing standards to be met by new



housing developments. The 2011 Census identified 1.44 cars per household for the parish, which would seem to indicate two spaces per dwelling would be appropriate.

The parish council will need to review the suggestions submitted and produce a strategy for increasing available parking spaces for residents, visitors and employees and developing alternatives to car usage.

The South Essex Parking Partnership has recently concluded a study on the traffic flow which will inform this strategy.

More parking spaces in Bell Mead.

The parish council has added 10 two-hour-free public parking bays in Bell Mead.

In addition to the 12 bays outside The Lounge and the eight bays currently on the road leading to the surgery, there are now an additional eight bays opposite the surgery in front of the new development with a further four bays on the road at the entrance to the new development. They are all clearly marked with Brentwood Borough Council two-hour free parking signs.



PLANNING

PLANNING COMMITTEE

The Planning Committee continues to meet fortnightly to discuss all planning and listed building applications within the parish. As a statutory consultee, the parish council reviews and discusses the applications and puts forward an 'objection' or 'no objection' to Brentwood Borough Council. This is based on the material planning consideration and it is Brentwood Borough Council who ultimately make the decision.

The committee consists of five parish councillors who meet regularly to discuss planning and listed building applications within Ingatestone and Fryerning.

During 2018, the committee reviewed a wide range of applications including changes of use of commercial buildings in the High Street, residential outbuildings, replacement dwellings, the re-use of former agricultural buildings to residential, as well as alterations to listed buildings.

Applications for extensions and alterations to existing houses within the villages continue to be the most common



application, reflecting the desire of many existing residents to remain in the village, whilst adapting their property to meet changing family needs.

Planning permission has now been granted by Brentwood Borough Council for a further 10 houses on land to the rear of The Crown. The scheme includes one, two and three-bedroom houses with access via Crown Mews.

If you are considering making changes to your property, the government's planning portal website provides an interactive guide which is a useful starting point when considering potential building works (www.planningportal.gov.uk).



COMMITTEE UPDATES



COMMUNICATIONS & IT

IFPC's Communications and IT Committee had a very busy year in 2018 developing our newsletter and working on our parish council branding. Our main job is to make sure that our residents are hearing about all the parish council work, from taking on Seymour Field and pavilion, to lighting up the High Street with Christmas trees.

Sometimes our work is not so obvious. There has been a great deal of time spent behind the scenes ensuring that the parish council is compliant with General Data Protection Regulations which came into force last May. One of the steps to help councillors protect sensitive information was to supply tablets. Parish councillors deal with a huge volume of



email communication and the centrally-managed and configured laptops make sure that important work is undertaken securely.

IFPC want to engage with parishioners on our social media channels. Please follow and comment on [@IngFryPC](#) on Facebook and Twitter and [ingatestone_fryerningpc](#) on Instagram. We'll make sure that we post all our plans for saving the library on these channels.

'Comms and IT' are also looking at producing an e-newsletter edition of this newsletter in 2019.

If you think that is a good idea, please contact us at office@ingatestone-fryerningpc.gov.uk and let us know.



NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (NPAC)

The Neighbourhood Plan Advisory Committee (NPAC) has been working hard to ensure that the needs of the community can be reached by working on set policies for future application. The main purpose of the plan is to ensure we have an opportunity to describe what is valued most by the community. We want to be able to retain the character of the area whilst meeting building targets desired by residents.

During the autumn, our residents and businesses have been completing questionnaires and attending consultation events to voice opinions on how Ingatestone and Fryerning will develop in the coming years. This will form part of the evidence gathering to produce our plan.

We know our existing housing stock comprises 38 per cent detached

INGATESTONE & FRYERNING PARISH COUNCIL
NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN
RESIDENTS' QUESTIONNAIRE

1. COMMUNITY PROFILE

Answering these questions will help us establish the needs of Ingatestone and Fryerning as a community so the parish council knows what you want it to support and work towards in the future, particularly in relation to the developments on land chosen by Brentwood Borough Council within our boundary.

It will take you around 15 to 20 minutes but we need your input as evidence and investing a few minutes now will benefit our community for the years to come.

*** 1. Postcode of Residence**

Postcode:

*** 2. Please indicate the number of people living in your household in the following age categories:**

Please include yourself in these numbers, assuming you live in this household. Please tick all boxes that are applicable.

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and 34 per cent semi-detached dwellings and that 78 per cent are owner occupied. We have lower than national averages for small terraced houses and flats. Our young people have to move away from the villages to find affordable accommodation to buy or rent. The questionnaire findings show that our older residents would like to downsize but not move away. We have sufficient evidence now, together with the studies that were commissioned by the borough, to begin drafting our plan. Our vision statement is on our web page and we will be writing a practical set of policies designed to achieve it. The next formal stage will be to publicise the draft to the community through a pre-submission consultation before it is revised and submitted to the local authority for independent examination.

COMMITTEE UPDATES



CHURCHYARD & ENVIRONMENT

The Churchyard and Environments Committee has added some new play equipment to the Fairfield play area. This is the result of two consultation events with local parents to discuss what could be done to improve the playground.

The parents who attended the consultation expressed a need for play equipment for younger children. Following these discussions, a committee budget was set aside for two new additions and in early November, the new tunnel and bridge were installed.

The committee has also commissioned four new planters for Market Place. The new planters are made out of recyclable materials and were installed at the start of December.

If you have any suggestions or ideas on how to improve our local environment, please contact the parish council office or follow us on social media to stay up to date with the latest developments.



POLICY & RESOURCES

Policy and Resources Committee has been looking ahead to the financial year 2019-20.

At January's full council meeting the parish agreed the precept for 2019-20 (money raised via council tax). The council was aware that in the next few months it would be going out to tender for a pitch maintenance contract for Seymour Field and also that the grounds maintenance contract for areas such as Fryerning Cemetery was due for renewal.

It is likely that bids for the new contract will be somewhat higher than those we received when it was previously awarded three years ago.

In light of these additional costs it was agreed to increase the precept by 3 per cent. The increase was unanimously agreed as councillors who appreciated that it was necessary to take into account inflationary pressures faced by the council.

Our accounts and reserves show a healthy balance at present but of course the renovation of Seymour Field pavilion is only just beginning and obviously our balances will reduce as the building project gets underway and is completed.

In line with many other town and parish councils, we have discussed establishing a grants policy. This was also agreed at the full council meeting in early January.

As a result, from April 2019 a sum of £2,000 will be available to local organisations that benefit the parish and some/all of its residents.

The maximum award for any application will be £500 and organisations that can provide evidence of their own fundraising will be viewed favourably.

We hope this policy will help local organisations and clubs fulfil projects. Full details of the policy are available from the parish office and will be available on the parish council's website.



PERSONNEL

RORY SKEPELHORN



In October, Ingatestone and Fryerning Parish Council welcomed the first Essex based apprentice in the local government sector, Rory Skepelhorn. The parish council is running the 18-month apprentice scheme for the first time in partnership with ACL Essex and is funded by the EALC. The apprenticeship is a Level 3 in Local Government, Business and Social Media.

Now three months into the role Rory Skepelhorn has his sights on a successful 2019 with the council. He says: "I have really enjoyed my role so far over the past couple of months. I have started completing my coursework for my qualification and I am attending fortnightly classroom sessions. I'd like to thank the staff and councillors for helping me settle in quickly. I have been delighted to see our social media channels grow towards our objectives. I hope to help our social media channels develop into an active community noticeboard and be the primary source for local news and updates."



COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

IFPC RELAUNCHES CHRISTMAS 'BEST DRESSED WINDOW' COMPETITION



After a two-year pause, the parish council has relaunched its festive 'best dressed window' competition for High Street businesses. The first competition ran in 1996 and has always been hotly contested with lots of creativity shown throughout the High Street.

Judging took place on Saturday 8 December and our panel's criteria were festivity, creativity and merchandising. The top

three were shortlisted and after much deliberation, the final rankings were:

- First place:** Aura
Second place: Bella Blake Collections
Third place: Ravens Bakery

Owner of Aura, Laura Tong was delighted with the result and said: "Thank you so much for choosing Aura as the winning window this year, it means so much. It is an absolute pleasure to provide services to such a wonderful village and community. We have a fantastic village with great shops, services and facilities - long may it continue."

IFPC thanks all the shops up and down the High Street for all the effort they put into making Ingatestone so festive. We are definitely continuing the tradition for Christmas 2019 - so get planning!

HEARING INFORMATION SESSIONS AT THE LIBRARY

There has been a record turnout for our hearing information sessions in Ingatestone Library this year with over 100 people getting advice on hearing loss, deafness and tinnitus.

Organiser Martyn Hart and colleagues from Action on Hearing Loss (AoHL) and South-end University Hospital Audiology Department are happy to talk to you about any problems that you might have with your hearing and provide equipment advice.

Martyn says that the library provides an ideal location to run his sessions: "It's a friendly relaxed environment where we can



take time for people to learn about the support they're entitled to, what equipment can help, ways to tackle tinnitus and tips from users and professionals in the field. The sessions are free, it's to your advantage and there is always a good book!" he explains.

Daniel Webster, regional information coordinator from AoHL, who sponsor these sessions, says: "This activity is really important and shows how Ingatestone Library directly supports the community."

The next sessions (always on a Saturday between 10am and 11am) are on 26 January, 2 March and 27 April in the library.

NEW NORTON ROAD SOCIAL HOUSING DEVELOPMENT

A six-home development providing accommodation for adults with disabilities has been completed on Norton Road.

The site was previously a children's home and has now been developed by Essex Housing.

A year after the start of construction the development is now ready to be occupied. The site consists of six independent living units which



have been sold to Larch Housing, a registered provider of social housing.

The parish council support the development as the lack of social and affordable housing was raised in our recent residents' questionnaire as a part of our Neighbourhood Plan research.

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

INGATESTONE STATION NEWS

Dave and Steve at Ingatestone Station ask residents to take note of the following weekend dates where bus services will be running from Ingatestone to Newbury Park due to Crossrail engineering works:

13 & 27 January

2 & 3, 9 & 10, 23 & 24 February

2 & 3, 9 & 10, 16 & 17, 23 & 24, 30 & 31 March

On a different note, Ingatestone Station celebrates its 175th anniversary in 2019. Watch this space for updates.



CALLING ALL 'SILVER SURFERS'

A group of Anglo European School students is running a crash course on technology skills. The course, called Silver Surfers, is run by a small group of upper sixth form students working on a volunteer basis.

The students offer advice on various technological areas such as learning how to use a smartphone, or how to use Facebook to keep in contact with friends and family. Most importantly, sessions are free and non-judgmental and are open to all members of the community.

The sessions are run up at the school every Monday during term time from 4-5pm. If you would like to come along or find out more then email enquiries@aessex.co.uk, or call 01277 354018.

HELP SAVE THE 351 BUS SUNDAY SERVICE

Essex County Council (ECC) is reviewing the way it supports local bus services, which includes our 351 bus Sunday services, and is carrying out a public consultation. The consultation also includes proposals regarding delivering ECC services differently and devolving ECC funded local bus services to communities.

The consultation commenced on 19 December and will run until 22 March 2019. The questionnaire is available from our library, online at www.essex.gov.uk/local-bus-consultation or by calling 03457 430430 Monday to Friday 8.30am to 5pm.

Please note that the questions on evening services do not apply to the 351 buses therefore, unless you use the services listed under Appendix A, only complete the Sunday services part of questionnaire. Please do not comment on any issues outside those listed, as they will not be taken into account.

It is essential that ECC receive as many responses as possible to help maintain this Sunday service for our 351 buses, which is used to take people to work, visit sick in hospital, shopping as well for pleasant outings, particularly our senior citizens, many of whom don't have cars.

**Ingatestone & Fryerning
Parish Council
Library Public Meeting
January 31 7.30pm**

How can we improve the
usage of the library?
We want to hear from you

**INGATESTONE
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Ingatestone & Fryerning
Parish Council**

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ST EDMUNDS AND ST MARY'S CHURCH CLOCK

Following recent legal advice from the National Association of Local Councils, IFPC wish to clarify their position on the church clock.

The clock located on the church tower has been annually serviced by the parish council for over 20 years as it was considered a public clock and an asset to the community.

We have now been legally advised that as this clock is on the church tower, it falls under the category of church property and under the Local Government Act of 1894 we are prohibited from paying for the service or repairs.

We do not feel that this is an acceptable situation and have written to Alex Burghart MP to lobby a review in legislation and will keep you informed if the situation changes.



PARISH COUNCIL INFORMATION

USEFUL LOCAL CONTACTS

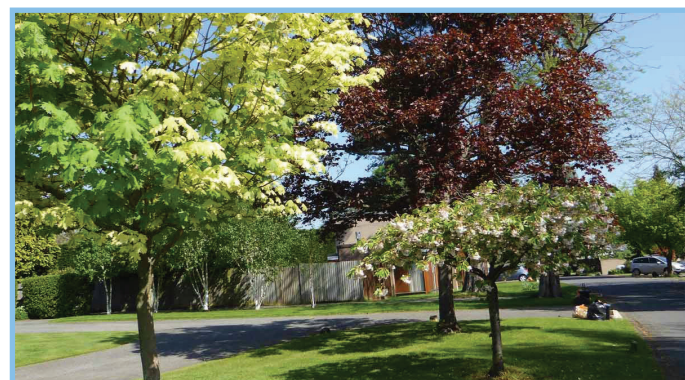
We often get contacted in the parish council office about local issues such as potholes, fly tipping and environmental concerns. So, we thought it would be useful to publish a handy contacts list for parishioners to refer to. You can also find out more at www.ingatestone-fryerningpc.gov.uk

You can contact **Essex County Council** for the following:

- General enquiries - 03457 430 430 or contact@essex.gov.uk
- Environmental issues: local flooding, conservation areas, emergency planning and more - 0345 43 0430
- Potholes- 0345 603 7631 or <http://www.essexhighways.org/Report-a-problem.aspx>
- Highways - 0345 603 7631 or text phone 0345 758 5592
- Blue badges - 0345 603 7630 or blue.badge@essex.gov.uk
- Bus passes - 0345 200 0388
- Schools - 0345 603 2200
- Social services - 0345 603 7630
- Protection for children and adults - 0345 606 1212
- Adult community learning - 0345 603 7635
- Births, ceremonies and deaths - 0345 603 7632
- Family information service - early years' education and paying for childcare - 0800 055 6874

Essex County Councillor

Lesley Wagland - cllr.lesley.wagland@essex.gov.uk



You can contact **Brentwood Borough Council** for

- Fly tipping - 01277 312 500 or www.brentwood.gov.uk/index.php?cid=370
- Environmental health: Dog warden, food safety, health & safety, noise, pollution - 01277 312500
- Housing: Applications, sheltered and special needs, transfers - 01277 312500
- Homeless enquiries - 01277 312500
- Operational services: Cemeteries (other than Fryerning Cemetery), grass cutting, parks and countryside, refuse and bulky waste collections, recycling, trees (council) - 01277 312500
- Planning: Advice, applications, listed buildings, trees (on private land or with preservation orders) - 01277 312500
- Parking (car parks) eg fines or season tickets - 01277 312583
- Parking (On Street) eg fines and resident permits - 01245 606710

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INGATESTONE AND FRYERNING PARISH COUNCIL - DATES FOR MEETINGS IN 2019/20

Date	Full Council	Churchyards & Environment	Policy & Resources	Planning	Communications & IT	Personnel	Neighbourhood Plan Advisory Committee
Jan 2019	3rd	14th	21st	15th, 29th	29th	17th	22nd
Feb 2019	7th	11th	18th	12th, 26th		other	19th
Mar 2019	7th	11th	18th	12th, 26th		dates	17th
April 2019	4th	8th	15th	9th, 23rd	30th	tbc	23rd
May 2019	9th Annual Parish Council meeting	13th	20th Annual Assembly	7th, 21st			21st
June 2019	6th	10th	17th	4th, 18th			18th
July 2019	4th	15th	22nd	2nd, 16th, 30th	23rd		16th

Meeting dates might change, please check our website www.ingatestone-fryerningpc.gov.uk for the most up to date meeting dates and agendas.