

Mike Sole's

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Kent County Councillor -Canterbury South

Canterbury City Councillor – Nailbourne



Well, one thing that I didn't expect to happen this year was to find myself with a third councillor hat, but I am now the chair of **Womenswold** Parish Council, having been appointed with four other interim parish councillors by the City Council to manage things until more local people can be appointed. We have now had our first meeting and I look forward to working with community to move things forward.

I also attended **Wickhambreaux** Parish Council and as a result of that am looking into what KCC can do to improve the signage in **Stodmarsh** leading down Lambkin Wall to the Nature Reserve.

There is a KCC Traffic Regulation Order out to consultation at present on the proposed 30mph in **Woolage Green**, so that is the net stage in moving forward with this.

I attended the KCC Growth & Economic Development & Communities Committee, speaking on issues including public rights of way maintenance and the cuts to the Community Warden Scheme. I also attended the Joint Transportation Board meeting.

We won't have to wait much longer until the new Canterbury draft local plan is published and out for consultation. Certainly, by early March we will know which sites are in or out as well as what the plans are for the future transport strategy in the district. Watch this space!

I held a very successful joint surgery with the police in **Littlebourne** and we had a lot of visitors. I am looking to hold another event in February at another location, ideally a café or at a coffee morning at another location to give more people the opportunity to attend.

It has been pleasing to see the water levels in the **Naibourne** and **Little Stour** recede in the last few weeks. Hopefully the threat of flooding is passing.

I had a few isolated food waste missed collections reported to me recently. I think that this may be down to changes of crew on the village routes. Hopefully they are all being sorted now, but please let me know if there are any issues.



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