

# **WINCHELSEA RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION**

## **MONTHLY UPDATE JULY 2025**

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We have been working with the various agencies, councillors and council officers on your behalf to progress current priorities, as summarised below. Some of the issues need time, to build relationships and go through formal processes. It can be a slow process, and we are grateful for members' patience and continuing support.

### **Public toilets**

Following Rother DC's (RDC) decision to offer several toilet sites for sale, including Winchelsea's only public toilet, there has been no acceptable offer to buy and retain our local toilet facilities. We understand that there is an option for Icklesham Parish Council (IPC) to purchase and manage thereafter. WRA is in contact with RDC to encourage a suitable settlement and assurance that the toilets will remain open. WRA committee members will attend a public meeting at RDC on 14 July to discuss future arrangements. It will also be on the agenda of the full Parish Council meeting on 21 July which will be held at Winchelsea Beach community hall. It is open to all to attend.

### **Traffic safety**

We continue to press National Highways (NH) for an early resolution following its agreement to take responsibility for improving safety at Strand Hill junction. It has confirmed it is actively assessing the junction to adopt a no left turn/ no right turn proposal. Our MP, Helena Dollimore, is supporting us and is in direct contact with NH senior officers. We hope to meet both NH and ESCC in July and will certainly update residents on the outcome of that meeting.

### **The Little Shop**

We understand there are now 26 volunteers to cover Sunday trading and that discussions continue between the Little Shop working group and the shop owners on its sale. There will be further updates from the working group in the next few weeks.

### **Summer fete**

A reminder that the annual fete will be held on Saturday 9 August on the Cricket Field site. It is being organised by St Thomas' primary school and WRA will have a stall on the day.

### **WRA subscriptions 2025/26**

Thank you to everyone who has already sent their annual subscription. If you would like to be a member but haven't yet paid, you can send your subscription (£10 per person) to the WRA bank account as shown below.

Winchelsea Residents Association

Account no: 59667362

Sort code: 60-02-07

### **Membership**

We need to keep our membership list up to date. If you have changed your contact details, moved away from Winchelsea or no longer wish to be a member, you can let us know at [ra@winchelsea.com](mailto:ra@winchelsea.com). You can of course contact us at the same address if you would like to become a member.

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