

Sittingbourne Councillors & Residents Forum – June 2026

You said, we did and matters arising

No.	Item	You said:	We did:
1.	Improving recycling rates in Sittingbourne	Further to the recycling workshop that took place at the February 2026 meeting, it was agreed that this item should return to future Councillors & Residents Forums to provide an update on the suggestions that were made.	Please see Appendix I for update report.
2.	Bus Services in Sittingbourne	It was noted that the live times at the Sittingbourne Bus Hub were still not available. Councillor Tony Winckless said that the funding was there but had not yet been allocated. It was agreed to raise the matter with the Kent County Council Members for the Sittingbourne area. Councillor Winckless was asked to raise the issue of displayed timetables being out of date at bus stops.	The Enhanced Partnership & Infrastructure Manager at Kent County Council advised that the real-time information screens are going in currently and all installs and related trenching should be complete by the end of June. The screens then need to be commissioned, which should see the screens in use by late July / mid August.
3.	Area of Special Control of Advertisements (ASCA)	Councillors requested that regular updates should be provided at future Sittingbourne Councillor & Residents Forums. .	The proposed designation of an Area of Special Control of Advertisements (ASCA) underwent an eight-week public consultation from 1 April to 26 May 2026. The consultation outcomes were presented to the DMT on 26 May 2026.

			The updated ASCA paper is now scheduled for consideration by the Planning and Transportation Policy Working Group (PTPWG) on 9 June 2026, followed by Policy & Resources Committee (P&RC) in July 2026. Subject to approval by PTPWG and P&RC, the final ASCA document will be submitted to the Secretary of State for formal adoption and approval.
4.	Swale Local Heritage List	Regular updates on the Swale Local Heritage List have been given at Sittingbourne Area Committee meetings.	The second round of the Local Heritage List 'invitation to nominate' closed on 31 October 2025. The Selection Panel met on Tuesday 13 January 2026 and confirmed 90 additional assets for inclusion on Swale's Local Heritage List. These were ratified by the Policy & Resources Committee for on 4 February 2026 and are now available to view on the SBC website. The Selection Panel also agreed that the next round of the Local Heritage List 'invitation to nominate' will take place in 2027 as part of Heritage Strategy Action Plan 3.
5.	Swale LCWIP (Local Cycling & Walking Infrastructure Plan) update	When available regular updates provided at future Sittingbourne Councillor & Residents Forums.	The Active Travel Officer advised that the Swale LCWIP (Local Cycling & Walking Infrastructure Plan) has completed its public consultation. In total, over 300 comments were received and this resulted

			in 20 changes to the original report in terms of routes and proposed interventions to help improve the Borough's walking, wheeling and cycling infrastructure. The amended report was then presented to the Environment Services & Climate Change Committee in March and has been formally adopted into SBC Policy. The full LCWIP document, a shorter executive summary and the changes made post consultation can be viewed on the following webpage: Strategies and policies - Swale Borough Council - Active Travel
6.	Swale Community Lottery	Councillors & Residents Forum Chairs requested an update on the Swale Community Lottery be taken to the summer round of meetings.	Swale Community Lottery is a fundraising scheme that supports Good Causes in the borough. Residents can buy tickets to take part in a weekly draw held every Saturday night, with proceeds helping local organisations deliver their services and the opportunity to win prizes. The Swale Community Lottery held its first-year anniversary at the end of March 2026 where we held a small celebratory event, inviting Good Causes and winners to celebrate the success of the lottery. News - Community lottery helping local good causes A Good Cause is a not for profit, voluntary or community group (e.g., registered

			charities, sports clubs, schools, social enterprises). Swale Community Lottery currently has 57 local organisations registered as a Good Cause who are raising funds by being listed as a good cause for people to select when they play. To play Swale Community Lottery visit: Swale Community Lottery: Easy online fundraising for good causes - Swale Community Lottery
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