

ELMSWELL PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Clerk's Report to the Ordinary Council Meeting 18th February 2019

1 The election on May 2nd will be formally notified on 12th March. From that date and until the close of Poll, Council must observe the statutory, 'purdah' period when it must not publish material which is, or appears to be, encouraging support for any candidate. This applies also to publicising the achievements of the Council over the past 4 years. I am attending a SALC session in the interim to update the details and the specific dates for the various electoral processes, including issuing and registering nomination papers. This process will be publicised in the Elmswell Newsletter which traditionally invites a short promotional piece from each declared candidate in the April edition.

2 Background papers relating to agenda items 15 – 19 are available on request. Councillors serving on the Wesley Development Working Party have had sight of all of the quotations pertaining to each proposed professional service and I can copy them across to others as necessary. Hard copies would be bulky but, again, are available if required.

3 The older of the 2 office PC's is slowing to a crawl and likely, we are advised, to suddenly stop. We have double-backup, but retrieval and re-installation can be messy from a corrupted hard drive. Accordingly, the authorisations sought for my personal (on line) expenditures at Appendix D3 & D4 are in respect of new kit which is to be installed on Wednesday 20th.

Peter Dow
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