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BEAN'S TALK

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We welcome all new residents to the village and to the Residents Association's Quarterly Newsletter.
Please feel free to contribute your thoughts, ideas and comments.

**The Next Residents Association meeting will Be held in the
Community Centre on Monday
5th June 2017**

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**THE COPY DATE FOR THE September 2017
BEAN'S TALK is the 1st August 2017**

Common abbreviations used in the newsletter

KCC Kent County Council

Cllr. Councillor

DCLG Dept. for Communities and Local Government.

DBC Dartford Borough Council

KHS Kent Highway services

HE Highways England

RA Residents Association

PCSO Police Community Support Officer

Some items of interest from the BRA meeting held in February and March

Secretary's report: February.

Ashley Johnson (Assistant Secretary) reported that there had been 109 items of correspondence on 13 topics since the December meeting:

- 2 x Police
- 4 x KCC
- 31 x Highways England
- 1 x Paramount
- 5 x Northfleet Objectors
- 26 x DBC
- 5 x BPC & Country Park
- 3 x Bean Triangle
- 10 x EDC
- 15 x Consultations
- 1 x Bluewater
- 4 x Meetings notices
- 2 x Royal Oak

Ebbsfleet Garden City - Healthy New Town:

At February's meeting, Lorna Hughes and Kevin McGeough were welcomed to the meeting to describe the plans for making Ebbsfleet Garden City (EGC) a Healthy New Town. They explained that there were plans to create cycle/walking routes, better education and more green spaces for the 33k residents and 30k workers. It was pointed out that people living in Bean had no option, but to use their cars as the bus only runs hourly Monday- Saturday with none on Sundays and Bank Holidays. Primary Care between Darent Valley Hospital, EGC, Dartford, Gravesend and Swanley was enabling people to live at home longer. Cllr Hammock asked about more hospitals and was informed that more would be done in the community - for example - see a consultant in the community rather than at the hospital. Eight new schools are proposed for

the EGC, the first - Cherry Orchard - will be opening in September 2017. It was clarified that Bean would benefit as this was a NHS project for the Dartford, Gravesend and Swanley health area. Those present thanked Lorna and Kevin for their presentation.

Highways England A2 Bean Junction Improvements:

Hugh Coakley, Philip Paterson and Martin Emery were welcomed to the meeting. They showed a slide presentation. Philip said that the improvements to the Bean Junction were needed due to congestion at peak times. The volume of traffic is expected to increase by 50-60% by 2037. Ebbsfleet Junction is not so congested at present, but is expected to increase by 170-200% in the future with all the development in the Garden City.

Statutory public consultation is due in winter 2017/18. Work is expected to start in autumn 2020 with completion by 2023. Hoped this would improve road safety and minimise the impact on the environment. HE prefer Option 5 as it does not encroach on ancient woodland and is within budget. The following questions were asked:

1. Why not move Ightham roundabout westwards thus keeping the 11 cottages and horse sanctuary?
2. Why close the slip road to the A296 and make all traffic go up to the roundabout? Could it not still be used for local traffic, in conjunction with the proposed new slip road, with signs telling drivers of any hold-ups?
3. Why are HE not even considering any of the other options which do not entail the demolition of 11 cottages and loss of the horse sanctuary?
4. Why can't the new slip road be across the Bean Triangle east of Ightham Cottages?
5. Will HE ensure that pedestrian and cycle routes from Bean Village to the commuter pick-up are no more difficult than the present Pelican Crossing?

Those attending were told that the other options were over budget, increased the air pollution and encroached on bits of ancient woodland in the area, and were promised by HE that they would consider the concerns raised by the residents. Hugh Coakley, Philip Paterson and Martin Emery were thanked for attending.

After discussion by the BRA, it was Resolved: -

Bean junction improvement:

To Object to Option 5 and seek changes, before it goes to the Statutory Consultation.

Avoid threat of demolition of 1-11 Ightham Cott & removal of Spirits Rest, Horse Sanctuary, for Slip Road and Roundabout.

Secretary's report: March.

Ashley Johnson (Assistant Secretary) reported that there had been 54 items of correspondence on 14 topics since the previous meeting:

- 3 x Police
- 2 x KCC
- 9 x Highways England
- 1 x Paramount
- 2 x Northfleet Objectors
- 8 x DBC
- 3 x BPC & Country Park
- 1 x Bean Triangle
- 7 x EDC
- 4 x Consultations
- 9 x CPRE
- 3 x Bluewater
- 1 x Meeting Notices
- 1 x Royal Oak

Beacon Drive/Drudgeon Way:

The planning application for 6 new homes instead of the previously approved 5 may go to the 16th March Development Control Board. The slow worms on site will be moved to Beacon Wood. The cost of the removal will be met by the developer. This has been agreed by Bean Parish Council, but they added it did not support the new application.

Royal Oak:

- Application for roof lights in new house - approved by DBC
- New planning application for 2 semi-detached houses, same height as new house (contrary to drawing built higher than Royal Oak) - approved 28 February.
- Royal Oak now being demolished to make room.
- RA and PC have objected regarding the lack of long term pond management.

Bluewater Expansion and Highway Payment

On 19th April 2017, DBC, Development Control Board approved, without being called for debate, an application to expand Bluewater Regional Shopping Centre by about 20%. A payment of up to a maximum of £1.283m, index linked, arising from the development will be directed to the Kent Thameside Strategic Transport Programme to fund highway improvements to support development in the Borough of Dartford. However, KCC, who administer the fund, have declined to allocate this to the Bean & Ebbsfleet junctions improvements. Their full & final offer is £24.7m, all from Eastern Quarry, whilst Highways England expected £47m.

EBBSFLEET DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Bean RA questions asked at February, and March 2017 Board Meetings included: -

Question: The 18-May-16 Board was asked about progress on ... the Eastern Quarry Waste Water Treatment Works. As it is a private facility, we were told to ask the Developer. In Jan 2017, a retrospective application was made on behalf of Land Securities for a 100,000 litre Cesspool water tank. How many Garden City homes ... will be connected to this and for how long?

Answer: The temporary tank will serve any houses in Parcels 1 (Wards Homes), 2 (Persimmon/Circle) and 5 (School/community centre) until the approved Wastewater Treatment Works is in full operation, which is expected October 2017. The temporary tank will be removed after this time.

Question: Highways England say, “There is no explicit funding for the A2 Bean & Ebbsfleet scheme ...”, Also, it is “advised that a developer contribution element totalling £45m is available for the scheme” and “will be made available in 2020 ...”.

“... These will be collected and underwritten by Ebbsfleet Development Corporation as a Planning Authority”. Do you agree?

Answer: The EDC is working with Highways England on the detailed costs and funding of A2 Bean and Ebbsfleet junction improvements

and the respective S106 contributions. The EDC are investigating how the scheme may be forward funded to guarantee its delivery

Question: Are EDC aware of the following limitations of the HE design: -

- a) Congestion on the A2 arising from forecast development in the A2 study area and surrounding areas is outside of its remit?
- b) It is not designed to address seasonal peaks?
- c) The Garden City Access is not the responsibility of HE?
- d) Necessary St Clements Way widening is beyond available budget?
- e) If Paramount proceeds, the current proposals need to be assessed?
- f) Traffic Forecasts assume a Lower Thames Crossing E of Gravesend?

Answer: The EDC is aware of all the above and recognises the responsibilities of Highways England and the other relevant highway authorities. We are working with Highways England, Kent County Council and the local authorities to ensure that these issues are addressed in the transport planning of the whole Garden City area.

FIFTY-ONE YEARS AGO – 18TH APRIL 1966

A meeting was held of a number of residents from the Ashwood Park Estate, Bean. They decided to form their own Association to deal with problems relative to Bean, the most pressing of which was the proposal to build a site for gypsies that were encamped upon the A2 in the Parish of Stone.

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No 13 Archers Cottages

Matthew Allen was living at No 13, with his wife Emily Ann Alichin. Matthew had been born in 1836 in Swafeld Lincolnshire, but had steadily progressed down the country to London where he married Emily in 1870. They had a child, Walter born in 1871 but who died by the time he was 14 years old. Emily Ann was born in East Malling. The family moved to No 13 sometime during the beginning of the 20th century. Living with them was one Bertha Spiegelhalter, born 1898 in Bermondsey. There was a Bertha Harriet Spiegelhalter born in 1898 in the Bermondsey area and also a Bertha Harriet Spiegelhalter who died in 1974 in the Hammersmith area. It may be that when Matthew and Emily were living in London the two families became friends and for some reason they were minding Bertha for a while.

Also living with Matthew and his wife in 1901 was William Westcott, described as a boarder of 3 months born in Gravesend and he I cannot find. There was a William Bernard Westcott born in the Gravesend area in 1900 and by 1911 he was living with an uncle at Hook Green Southfleet. Perhaps the child had been orphaned.

By 1907 Matthew Allen had died in the Union Workhouse Dartford and was buried in Stone Cemetery on the 16 May 1907. His widow Emily had moved to Horns Cross in the 1911 census but then she also disappears.

By 1911 No 13 was inhabited by Edward Thomas Hibben born in Minister, Sheppey in 1879. He was a Chief Petty Officer in the Royal Navy. He had married Lizzie Hibben at Stone Church on the 7 September 1907 when both had given their address as Bean Cottage Bean. Edward's father was Edward Hibben, a milkman, and Lizzie's father was James Hibben, a labourer. Edward's father was born in Bean but moved down to Minster on Sheppey where his son Edward was born. By 1907 though Edward was in Bean where he married Lizzie Hibben. There must be a connection between them, I just have not found it yet. Lizzie's father James had been born in Northfleet and

Con't overleaf

in 1901 was living in Bean cottage with his wife, and his daughters Lizzie and Minnie. Minnie was living with Edward and Lizzie in 1911. Also living with them was their son Edward A J Hibben born 1908, but sadly he died by his third birthday later in 1911. I think there were other children. Lizzie died whilst still living at 13 High Street Bean and was buried at Stone Cemetery on the 18 March 1958 aged 71. Edward died at Livingstone Hospital and was buried at Stone Cemetery on the 27 November 1964 aged 86. JC, Bean

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The proprietor and staff extend a warm welcome to all who visit the Black Horse Public House, High street Bean. So, if you're new to the village come and try us out. You will find a warm and friendly welcome with a great menu to offer (except Saturdays). As well as exceptional real ales, we have a good range of other beers and lagers on tap and a good selection of soft drinks available. We are a family friendly pub and allow all family members including those with four legs, as long as everyone is house



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entertainment from solo singers to bands, generally on the weekends, which may be outside weather permitting. Are you a budding artist yourself? We host a monthly open Jam night on a Thursday (pop in for more details details). We look forward to seeing you perform soon. We are also open to others using these facilities for practice sessions of your 'Am Dram' production, or even a showing.

The Black Horse and its patrons are all keen to raise money for local and county wide charities. The next **Big Band** event will be on the 8th July 2017. This is billed to be a great day with many different bands playing throughout the day with all money raised going to the Kent Search and Rescue.

If you need more information please call in and speak to Colin who can provide you will all the details you need.

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St Nicholas at Bean



We will be about half way through the year by the time you get your copy of the Bean's Talk. Now is the time when families begin to think about their holidays. There are more and more destinations available within our reach throughout the world, unfortunately not all of them are safe places to visit at the moment. Choose carefully and wisely and enjoy the break that you deserve. Your church here in Bean is most grateful to those who continue to help us support various charities. The sackful of new wool that appears from time to time, The New Books which we sell and donate the money to the Ellenor, the various children's presents which go into the Shoe Box collection. The last day for donating knitted woollen goods is 13th July this year and Shoe Boxes or any items for them is 8th October. Gifts of Woollies can be left at the Hall between 9.30am and 11.15am any Sunday from now and Shoe Boxes from 3rd September on. Thanks also to those who continue to collect Milk Bottle tops which can be brought to the any Sunday. May I also remind you that we are still collecting, used stamps and also new and used postcards. It is amazing how much money is made for charity by these items. They cost us nothing but do an awful lot for those in need. We realise that there are many in Bean who from time to time need a shoulder to help them on their way. If you find yourself in this situation at any time please get in touch and we will do whatever we can to help. May God's Blessing be upon you and keep you safe wherever you may travel during the coming holiday season.

Don White

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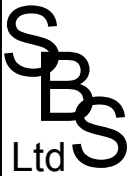
Not quite what you would expect from the invitation. However this is what was served to celebrate 27years of weekly services here in the Village Hall in Bean. What a surprise for Don and Betty who have looked after it for all of those years.



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Following the sad passing of John Martin on the 5th of April. The Bean Residents association will publish a tribute in the next to him and all the work he has done within this community in the next edition.

The community Bus.

The recent theft of diesel, and associated criminal damage done to steal the diesel, has cost the community bus coffers in excess of £200. The theft and damage was done while the bus was parked in Stonewood parking bays. Well done to those responsible for curtailing the usual shopping trip, for those who rely on the bus to get their weekly shop! If we can remind people that the bus is run as a charity and needs regular income from fairs and donations. We also need more volunteer drivers to keep this service running. If you are over 25 and under 70 years of age, standard manual licence which is clean (some of you must have no points; surely), and can spare a couple of hours a month. You might even wish to plan a day trip in the summer. If your not sure if you will be able to drive it contact Colin for advice, or even a test drive. Please contact Colin or the editor who's details are on the front cover and below.

Community Bus Summer Day Trips.

The following outings have been arranged in the community bus, only two drivers have volunteered their time so far. If you have a destination you would like to go let us know. If you're interested and would like to drive the bus to a particular destination for a day trip, come forward and have a test drive around the village (its not difficult to drive, I know I drive it).

Date	Destination	Price per person
19th June 2017	Whitstable	£ 8:00
11th July 2017	Hastings	£ 10:00

There may be more trips arranged after the publication of this edition, please keep an eye on the parish council notice board and shop window for details. If you are interested in either participating in a trip, organising one or volunteering to drive a trip out please contact either Colin or myself (Keith) on 01474 703 129, Email thebeanstalk02@gmail.com

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Do We Live And Learn?

When I woke up in the early hours of this morning after the regular half dozen hours of sleep that seems to suffice to refresh my batteries, my brain started mulling over some of the things that have been chasing through the corridors of my little grey cells – nothing terribly specific, although I suppose it did distil at some stage into thoughts on short-termism, something we Brits seem to excel at.

When I worked for one of the GEC Marconi Defence Electronics companies, we were part of the famous Arnold Weinstock's stable of fine companies that made a vast variety of goods, some of them of immense technical ingenuity. However, no matter how large the 'money mountain' he famously sat on, he and his small controlling staff at Stanhope Gate would never invest in the research and development his brilliant engineers needed to stay ahead of the rest of the world. Every product had to have a bottom line and a profit had to be guaranteed in the short term.

Here in Bean we are now seeing the results of typical local planning short-termism. In the next couple of years we shall face huge disruption at the Bean Interchange. Some people will lose their homes and have to be re-housed. Why? Because, when it was as plain as a pikestaff that a three-lane bridge over the A2 would become a bottleneck of gigantic proportions, feeding as it did into a six-lane dual carriageway leading to one of the country's largest and most popular shopping malls, they wouldn't make the obvious choice and allow the building of an adequately sized bridge.

Then there's the case of the single modern hospital that replaced Dartford's ageing but adequate hospitals with a super, state-of-the-art hospital meant to cater for everything we could possibly need into the future. It would be a 600-bed super-hospital with all mod cons and the highly trained staff to go with it. What did we get? A 400-bed glass and glitter hospital that would run out of space within a couple of years of coming on line, its claim to success being the provision of convenient parking facilities for London commuters who can't find parking space anywhere near Dartford or Greenhithe stations. It seems we live, but, we sure never learn.

JWT, Bean,

BEAN ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION

There have been allotments in Bean since the 1930s, first managed by Stone Parish Council and subsequently by Bean Parish Council following its formation in 1989. Since July 1994 the allotments have been self-managed by the members of the Bean Allotment association. The allotment consists of 38 plots ranging in size from 5 rods to 15 rods, the former being ideal for the beginner. Water is available during the summer months from several points on the allotment and is included in the rent, currently only £1.60 per rod per annum. We currently have 24 members but there are still a few small plots to rent. If you are interested in a social activity in the fresh air with the added benefit of growing your own fresh vegetables then please ring the association's secretary Elaine on 07941760428.
Jim Conway



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Bean Crime Figures

19 Reported Crimes in Bean October 2016.

25 Bean Reported Crimes November 2016.

20 Bean Reported Crimes December 2016.

What follows on the next two pages are some important messages from the Police and neighbourhood watch

Message from Sergeant Dave Crompton of Kent Police:

'You can never underestimate just how much of an impact burglary can have on the lives of those affected.

Victims feel violated and uneasy in their own homes, and the matter is made worse when the items stolen are not only valuable but also highly sentimental or a family heirloom.

While our officers will do everything they can to prevent such burglaries occurring, there are steps residents can take to make sure their homes are secure and deter would-be offenders.

For example, I would strongly encourage families to keep large amounts of cash or gold out of the house if they can, such as in a safety deposit box at a bank where available. If you do need to keep high-value items at home then keep them in a good quality safe, bolted to a solid wall or floor and hidden out of sight.'

Additional advice

Most burglaries happen on weekdays in daylight when you are more likely to be out. As well as locking up each time you leave, you can also:

- Keep keys, cash and expensive items out of view;
- Use timer switches on lights and radios to make your home look occupied;
- Keep gates locked and boundaries secure;
- Lock away bikes, tools and garden items that could be stolen or used to break into your home.

You can also:

- Security-mark items including bicycles, mobile telephones and laptops;
- Keep receipts, mobile phone IMEI numbers and serial numbers safe;

- Photograph and insure expensive or unique items;
 - Install a safe, bolted to the ground or a wall, or use a safety deposit box at the bank;
 - Register important items for free at www.immobilise.com to help us return stolen items if they are recovered.
- Anyone who wishes to report a burglary or any suspicious activity is urged to call 101, or 999 if a crime is in progress.
- Witnesses or anyone with information can call 101 or Kent Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555111.

Kent Police Neighbourhood Watch.

Detective Inspector Lopa McDermott said: 'In some of the reports we've received burglars appear to have entered through a backdoor that had been left open or unlocked - possibly due to warm weather.

Unfortunately, this does create opportunities for opportunistic offenders. I'd like to reassure residents that the circumstances behind each burglary report we receive is investigated, however, it is always better to prevent offending where we can.

There are simple steps that all members of the public can take to help deter thieves. This includes:

- . Locking back doors and windows before answering the front door - thieves are known to work in pairs, one distracting residents at their front doors while the other tries the back.
- . Ensuring valuables cannot be seen from the outside
- . Locking sheds, garages and outbuildings so criminals cannot access tools to break into your home.
- . Ensuring gates are locked and bins etc., cannot be used by burglars to climb over your fence.
- . Installing alarms, security lights or CCTV cameras to deter thieves from targeting your home.
- . Remembering to note down model and serial numbers of expensive items so any stolen items which are recovered can be returned. You can also register items for free at www.immobilise.com.
- . Keep receipts separate so thieves cannot return any stolen items to the shop for a refund.'

Kent Police Neighbourhood Watch

Can I make everyone aware that they should lock their car doors and boot every time they leave their car unattended. Even if just for a short time, such as paying for petrol.

A couple of PC's attended [a road in ROCHESTER](#), as this road in particular had suffered a number of Theft From Motor Vehicles and vehicle interferences recently.

They attended between 1430 and 1515 and located 9 insecure vehicles. This is of concern and is leaving residents very vulnerable and likely to become a victim of crime that could be easily rectified.

Therefore REMEMBER

1. Lock your car
 2. Don't leave small change on view in your vehicle, even the smallest amount can be tempting.
 3. Don't leave items of value in your vehicle overnight
- Most new cars are fitted as standard with an immobiliser. If you have an older car, consider having one retro-fitted or use a mechanical immobiliser, locked across the steering wheel to prevent it turning. Just because only [a road in Rochester](#) was checked - this message is relevant to you all.

I am aware that some people in your area are not part of NHW, however NHW is about helping the community so can I please ask that you distribute this information to neighbours via word of mouth.

Bean People Of Note!

Miss Florence Jane Pearce – one time headmistress at Bean School

Miss Florence Jane Pearce held her post as Headmistress of Bean School from circa 1930 until 1939/1940 and perhaps beyond but she had a distinguished career before arriving in Bean. She had been born in Flore Northampton on the 24 Dec 1891, one of the five children of William Pearce and his wife Eliza Elizabeth. Her father was a gardener and both parents had been born in Shropshire. The family moved around the country, her two eldest sisters, Gertrude and Agnes, being born in Birmingham, and then her two brothers William and Harold being born in Flore Northampton also.

By 1911 Florence then aged 19 was a teacher at St Johns School Maidstone, where she lodged with Thomas Frost (the headmaster of St Johns) and his wife Esther. In 1911 her family had settled in Canterbury where her father had his own nursery and his four other children were assisting in his business.

Florence had a distinguished career as a VAD (Voluntary Aid Detachment) Nurse during World War 1. She worked for three and a half years in the Military Hospital in Tidworth, Wiltshire and was awarded the Royal Red Cross (2nd class) in addition to being mentioned several times in dispatches. She came through the war, but sadly her elder brother William died in 1917 in France and is buried in Calais.

What Florence did for the next few years is unknown but aged 35 she left London on the P&O liner SS Beltana on the 22 Sept 1927 bound for Sydney Australia where she spent two years teaching in Australia before returning to England and coming to Bean. In October 1930 she organised the Bean Young People's Society.

Members of this group met once a week at the school in the evening for recreational activities. The Society was open to young people above the age of 14. Billiards, darts, table tennis and other games were played and socials were held occasionally. Formerly Miss Pearce ran a cricket club for three years from 1932 but this passed out of existence through losing its ground on the departure from the district of Mr. Borland.

During term time Florence would live at the Railway Hotel (now McDonalds) returning home to visit her family in Canterbury at weekends or during the holidays. In 1939 Florence was living with her mother and two sisters, whilst her brother Harold and his wife were living a few doors down the road. Gertrude and Agnes were running their own florist shop whilst Harold was in charge of the nursery, their father having died in 1929.

She must have been a strict disciplinarian because the children used to recite

Old Ma Pearce she is so fierce

She goes to church on Sunday

She prays to God to give her strength

To wallop the kids on Monday

After she left Bean she may well have joined another school, but gradually one by one her family died until finally Florence died at Lane End Felton near Owestry on the 16 January 1979

Do you remember Miss Pearce? Do you have any memories of her?



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POLICE

Emergency calls 999 /112	Non emergency calls	101
Neighbourhood Police Officer	PC Tony Quilter	07811 984126

Dartford Borough Council and Kent Community Wardens

Crime Support Unit DBC	Mark Sailsbury	01322 343434
Community Warden.	Paul Hassell	07813 713285
Community Warden	Control Centre	01732 885712
Crime Stoppers		800 555 111

BYCC Hall Bookings

		Bean Parish Council	01474 832 999
Tuesday	4:00 - 7:00pm. Dance fever	Jo Regan	07927 196307
Tuesday	7:30 - 8:30pm Zumba	Laura	07731 303925
Wednesday	1:30 - 4:00pm. Young at Heart	Contact the committee	
Wednesday	6:00 - 7:30pm. Cubs	Neil Warburton	01474 707382
Wednesday	7:45 - 9:30pm. Scouts	Neil Warburton	01474 707382
Thursday	5:00- 6:30pm. Brownies	Janette Williams	07908274153
Thursday	7:30 - 8:30pm Fitsteps	Kay	07751 497716
Friday	4:30 - 5:30pm. McDowall Dance (Ballet)	Sarah McDowall	07940 205295
Sunday	10:00 - 11.00am. St. Nicholas Church,	Don White	01474 705430
Mon - Fri 9:15 - 12:00 noon.	Jumping Beans Pre-School	Allison Barrass	07771864937

Doctors

Swanscombe and Bean Partnership	Bean Surgery, High St. Bean	01474 707236
Dr. Bora	Beacon Drive, Bean	01474 708672

Church

St. Nicholas Southfleet Serving Bean, Betsham, New Barn and Southfleet.

The Rector is The Rev David Houston 01474 833252

Sunday Service is held in the Community Centre at 10am

Bean Residents Association

Bean Residents Association meets on the first Monday of the month at 8:15pm. in the Bean Community Centre. All Bean residents are welcome to attend.

Bean Parish Council. E-mail Beanparishcouncil@btintenet.com

Bean Parish Council meet on the second Monday of the month at 7pm. in the Bean Community Centre. All Bean residents are welcome to attend. 01474 832999

Oasis Counselling Centre 01322 294430

Free counselling for bereavement and help for those affected by suicide, pregnancy, crisis and post abortion, support for ex-offenders, advice and support for job-seekers, those affected by domestic violence, those in distress, befriending scheme, and parenting classes.

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