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Subject: Re: Agenda for the Ordinary Parish Council meeting to be held on Thursday 15th February 2024

I'm sorry to say that I'm going to have to miss Thursday's meeting as I have Swale Borough Council Area Committee meeting that evening. Please could you note my apologies, and could you please note Alastair's too as he is away until the 20th Feb.

I have a couple of updates.

KCC are running a consultation coming out soon on potential revisions to their policies and fees relating to adult social care. The consultation opened on 6th February and can be accessed via the following link - <https://www.kent.gov.uk/adultsocialcarecharging>

On the Swale side of things, Swale Borough Council's new waste collection contract will be starting from Monday 25th March, when Suez will be the new provider (in place of Biffa, although the majority of the current staff will be retained). I am told that the routes have been heavily revised to optimise them and reduce unnecessary additional mileage. One of the downsides to this, however, is that around 40% of households will have a new day of the week for their collection. Letters about this will be going out to all households in the coming weeks, and I'll share the information in parish magazines and on social media when I have it.

On Selling matters, the enforcement case (which was raised at last month's meeting) at a site in Grove Road where a landowner had created a new access onto the highway has been closed with no action taken.

I hope the meeting goes well, and hopefully I'll be able to make it to the March meeting. As always, if anything comes up at the meeting which I can be of assistance with, please let me know and I'll be happy to help where I can.

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