



Welcome to Vigo's
24th Annual Parish Meeting
8th April 2024

What is the plan for this evening?

- [KALC Community Award](#)
- Council business
- A review of the events of the past year
- Any questions
- Reports from other people and organisations
- Break for Refreshments
- Talk by Paul Baylis

Council Business

Firstly to Accept the Minutes from last year's Annual Parish Meeting.

Secondly to receive last year's Audited Accounts

And draft Accounts for the year ended
31st March 2024

A review of the past year

Parish Council Elections



Our existing 9 Councillors
were returned unopposed

Very sadly,
Cllr Germain
passed away this
year.



So we now have a vacancy
Please let us know if you are interested.

Remembering residents

Memorial benches



There will be a commemorative
tree planted for Mike



Looking out for nature



Some species need help

Last summer's No Mow policy allowed several species of wild flowers to grow



We will be leaving some verges un-mowed again this year.

And hoping for many more wild flowers for our pollinators to visit.

Lots of other wildlife too



A warning!

Feeding these animals and leaving food on the ground attracts



Please don't leave food out.

Responding to Climate Change

Streetlights

This year we plan to change most of our old sodium street lights



to LEDs



Electric vehicle charging points



The Parish Council has investigated installing more kerbside charges throughout the village

But sadly at £10,000 to £15,000, the cost is much more than we could afford.

Free LED Light bulbs

Bought with a Community Help grant from KCC

Distributed at Vigo School Fair



Repair shop

We are investigating the possibility of setting up a monthly repair shop

Home insulation

We are aware that some people are insulating their homes.

Please share your experiences with the Parish Council

Problems

Theft of Play
park fence



Ash Die back



Delivery vans
driving on our
verges



New bollards.
Paul and Steph again!



Solutions

The fence has been replaced
And necessary repairs
have been carried out.



Paul and Steph are working
on removing dead and dying
trees



Problems

The seating area in
The Bay

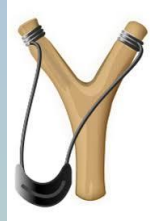


Anti-social behaviour

Trail bikes
and quad
bikes



Catapults
used to
shoot
squirrels



Fowler Stone Wood

306/308 Bus service



Solutions

We are employing a gardener to look
after the Bay

There has been a definite reduction in
antisocial behaviour this year.
Let's hope this continues!

The Enforcement Order requires site to
be cleared by 22nd April.

Sadly, there is no solution

A few more things

Covenants

Please remember that you need Covenant permission if you want to make changes to your property

4 new defibrillators



We are hoping that we will soon have a newly painted post box

Pop Up Cafe



Goes from strength to strength



Grants in Aid

Don't forget Vigo Parish Council likes to help local organisations.

Imminent Future plan

Painting the Underpass



Finally

Thank you to everyone who has been involved with
and supported the Parish Council this year

Clerk

Councillors

Maintenance Contractors

Community Wardens

Volunteers

Residents

People from other Parish Councils

People from Gravesham

People from KCC

And many, many more!

What is going to happen tonight? A Reminder.

- KALC Community Awards
- Council business
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- [Talk by Paul Baylis](#)

Presentation of KALC Community Awards

- Sue Marrable

For many years of devotion to the young people & parents of Vigo, nurturing and giving children a wonderful and positive start to their school lives.

The History of the Waterlow Family