

## Parish Partnership Panel

- Great value to parish councils who work mostly in isolation who may not have the opportunity to know what is going on in the wider community
- Great benefit to local parishes. Enables their voice to be heard
- Central government has devolution on the agenda. The Borough Council via Parish Partnership Panel can strengthen support that may be required.
- Would be beneficial to have power to put forward suggestions/recommendations on areas that need addressing
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- Meetings are for the benefit of parish councils and it is very annoying that borough/county councillors “hog” the time asking questions of speakers that they have contact with every day. Some attendees feel inhibited by this “hogging”.
- PPP is valuable for Parishes to have a connection with TMBC. It is much better than it used to be with it being two-way conversation rather than just a lecture. It may be better to make it more informal with Chair on the same level rather than above the meeting. Some PC Cllrs are not confident in public speaking.
- I prefer in person, but not sure if we get bigger numbers online so mixed is probably a good idea.
- In the past was seen as a place of confrontation, it should be as much about gaining information from the PCs as giving it out.
- It is the opinion of the Hadlow Parish Council that the above panel format operates very well as it is at the moment and needs no changes are required.