

Tony Hills, Kent County Council member for the Romney Marsh Division. Report for February 24.

As the winter rolls on, the news gets more depressing. Let's look on the bright side spring is on its way; days are getting longer...

Marsh Highways. The winter service.

In my opinion Kent does a great job in these difficult cash strapped times.



KCC continues to maintain our highways on a reduced budget. But remember safety comes first, so if you find what you consider to be dangerous, please report it.

https://webapps.kent.gov.uk/KCC.KHSFaultsGIS.Web.Sites.Public/ReportAFault.aspx

Flooding Matters



Re-shingling

I went down to Littlestone. The Environment Agency has re-shingled the beach. Reprofiling the beach to give us more protection when we get hit by the next storm.

Surface Water Flooding on the Marsh

We have had some challenging flooding on the Marsh. With houses flooded in Dymchurch, Littlestone and Lydd, due to the very heavy rain before Christmas. I'm setting up a working party to see if we can improve things for the Marsh as chairman of the Kent Flood Risk Management Committee I will be working with Southern Water, Environment Agency and the Internal Drainage Board.

Water Quality

Over the last two years we have had some poor water quality in the southern end of Hythe Bay. The Environment Agency testing regime has shown poor results, this needs to be turned round. I will be working with the Environment Agency and Southern water to find the source of the problems. I personally believe a subtle rise in sea temperatures has a part to play in the drop in water quality.

Kent's Plan Bee

This is a pollinator action plan that I support, this encourages local communities to improve the food sources and general habitat for pollinators in Kent. Pollinators are vital for our food, economy and environment and we must act to reverse their rapid decline. You can sign up to Plan Bee Newsletters via PlanBee@kent.gov.uk and look out for the No Mow May campaign this spring that will encourage homeowners and landowners to pledge to let their grass grow through May.

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