

Cllr Ray Cade
Wealden District Council

11th May 2021

Dear Clare and Ian,

I wanted to say something during the Parish Assembly meeting, but due to the purdah rules could not take the chance.

I have since spoken to Clare about my frustration at not being able to contribute to the assessment of the various voluntary groups.

I will do this now, while it is on mind and perhaps you can declare it to the rest of Parish Council members and Pippa after the election vote on 6/5/21.

"I fancy that as time passes, the remembrance of the pressure and concern by Pam and me, as responsible representatives of Wealden District Council, of the effects of the pandemic on our residents, will start to dim. The possibility of some vulnerable residents slipping through our net has been forefront in our considerations.

So, the knowledge of the attitude, diligence and organisational ability of Pippa's voluntary group and Herstmonceux Parish Council has a whole enabled us to focus on a number of places, where this same operational ethos was not present. I cannot overstate the difference this confidence that Herstmonceux was absolutely and efficiently committed to the health and safety of its residents made to us dealing with our other Ward Parishes and our Wealden District responsibilities in our separate capacities."

Ray