

# Kennington Community Forum

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## Press Release

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### **Dissolution of Kennington Community Forum**

At a well-attended Extraordinary General Meeting of the Kennington Community Forum held on 28<sup>th</sup> November its Chair, Tony Bartlett announced his resignation with effect from 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018.

He stressed the end of the Forum was a direct result of the majority vote in the 2015 local referendum to seek to replace the Forum with a Parish Council. He clarified that, whilst he would continue as Chair of the Forum until March 2018, under the KCF Constitution his action was necessary for its formal dissolution on the date agreed by the Core Group. This is in readiness for the creation of the new “shadow” parish council on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2018.

He said the four months to dissolution would enable the Core Group to effect an orderly wind-down of the Forum’s affairs and responsibly distribute its remaining funds to local charities.

In making his announcement he reflected on the successful contributions the Forum had made to the community in its fifteen year history and expressed his confidence that the new Parish Council would continue this good work.

He concluded by thanking the previous Forum Chairs and Core Group members for their dedication and efforts and the wider community for their support and encouragement.

The evening ended with a brief presentation from Ashford Borough Council on the next steps in the parishing process due to end with the election of the new Parish Council in May 2019.

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