

CLERK'S GENERAL REPORT FROM 27 NOVEMBER TO 31 DECEMBER 2018.

Finance/Administration.

All matters are up to date.

The Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government has confirmed that the Council Tax referendum principles will **not** be extended to parish councils in 2019/20.

Social Housing.

The need for social housing within Rivenhall has been registered with BDC as per the decision taken at the December meeting.

General Maintenance.

The maintenance contractor has been requested to maintain the flower tubs as per the decision taken at the December council meeting, and to cut back the grass from the footway along Oak Road. He has confirmed that these works will be scheduled early in January 2019.

A12 Re-routing.

I have nothing further to report at this time.

BDC Polling Places Review.

The BDC Full Council confirmed the rejection of the request by WTC that some Rivenhall residents be allocated a polling station within Witham.

Village Sign - Insurance Claim.

Despite numerous reminders, the latest during the week prior to Christmas, I have no knowledge of any erection date for the repaired sign. I do plan to visit the repairer before the January meeting.

Litter.

A fly tip of mixed materials at the recycling bins in Oak Road that we reported was traced - a substantial fine has been imposed by BDC on the person responsible.

Planning Applications.

All planning matters have been dealt with as per the latest minutes.

BDLHP.

The next meeting is scheduled for 17 January 2019.

Network Rail

I have not, to date, received any communication regarding any outcome of the Crossings Inquiry.

IWMF, Rivenhall Airfield.

An application covering the receipt of additional information is to be considered at the January meeting.

Gent Fairhead and Indaver aim to develop and commence the main civil engineering works for the IWMF in 2019 and in order to answer any of the public's questions about the project and explain what has been done in preparing the applications, public exhibitions have been arranged at the following locations:

Bradwell Village Hall - Monday 14th January 2019 from 16.00 to 19.00hrs.

Silver End Village Hall - Tuesday 22nd January 2019 from 16.00 to 19.00hrs.

Coggeshall Village Hall - Thursday 24th January 2019 from 16.00 to 19.00hrs.

Coleman's Quarry.

At the December liaison meeting it was ascertained that Brice Aggregates intend to apply to increase the HGV movements by between double and treble the current limits; they intend to apply to import waste materials such as road scalpings in order to re-sell such materials.

Highways Maintenance.

Detailed information was received via EALC with regard to the ECC Highways Devolution Pilot, myself and the Chairman, having perused in details the documents provided by ECC and the answers to questions raised following the discussions during November, have agreed not to proceed with the Highways Devolution Pilot at this stage.

Between 21 and 24 December ECC were due to install verge marker posts and chevrons on the bend near North Ford Farm, Church Road; there will be two-way traffic controls.

Liaison with Chairman.

Liaison with the Chairman upon various items of correspondence, the agenda for the next meeting and planning application documents as necessary.

Keith Taylor (Parish Clerk)
31 December 2018