

CLERK'S GENERAL REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2015.

Finance/Administration.

Accounts up to date.

Second $\frac{1}{2}$ year Precept payment received from BDC.

The external audit for 2014/2015 has been completed with no comments raised by the auditors. The appropriate closure of audit notices have been displayed

Arranging for and collection of framed Best Kept Village Competition certificates.

BDC Land Ownership.

Replies are still awaited regarding the ownership of the grassed area in Foxmead and who is arranging and paying for the grass to be maintained.

Public Footpaths.

Overgrown footpath 47 reported to ECC as per minute 1147(v)(b).

At the Chairman's request the Maintenance Contractor has been requested to trim back the overgrowth along Footpath 1, Rickstones Road.

General Maintenance.

Contract document sent to Mr. Peter Goodchild as per minute 1147(v)(a). Mr. Goodchild subsequently agreed the terms and commenced working at the beginning of the month.

Tarecroft Wood.

Reply still awaited from ECC after the site meeting held on 22 July 2015.

Essex Police.

Letter sent to the Chief Constable as per minutes 1147(ii & iii). This letter has been passed to C.I. Richard Melton, District Commander for the North LPA asking that he investigate the issues raised and provide a response in due course. Response still awaited.

Local Planning.

Documents sent to BDC relating to the recent planning application considered at the September meeting.

ECC & SBC Joint Replacement Waste Local Plan.

Nothing further to report at this time.

Rivenhall Airfield - Waste Incinerator Site.

Response submitted to ECC on 17 September 2015 with a copy being included on the PC Website.

Local bus services 131/132.

Full details of the new operational service by Stephensons are awaited.

Bradwell Quarry.

Nothing new to report this month.

ECC Roads Maintenance.

Nothing to report this month.

Network Rail.

Still awaiting details from Network Rail re the parking issue near the Railway Bridge..

Highways England

Notification received that investigation works are to be undertaken along the A120 from Marks Farm Roundabout to Marks Tey Roundabout, commencing Monday 7 September with overnight working from 21.30 to 06.00 and with diverted traffic.

Braintree District Local Highways Liaison Panel.

The very latest information remains as follows:

- a. 7.5T weight restriction, Oak Road - Fully approved at £46k less the £5k from RPC. There will be a public consultation period
- b. Extended 30mph limit along Church Road - Scheme agreed for an additional 125 metres. There will be a public consultation period.
- c. Church Road/Oak Road highway signage - Fully approved £8.5k; some cutting back of Church Road hedge will be required to improve visibility.
- d. Grass verge outside 51-53 Oak Road - Scheme agreed.
- e. Rectory Lane traffic restrictions - submitted for approval.
- f. Reflector bollards outside waterfall Cottages, Park Road - submitted for approval.
- g. Introduction of a speed monitoring loop on Rickstones Road, at the bottom of Stoverns Hill - submitted for approval.

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)
29 September 2015.