

CLERK'S GENERAL REPORT FROM 25th SEPTEMBER 2019 TO 29TH OCTOBER 2019.

Finance/Administration.

The 2nd $\frac{1}{2}$ year Precept payment (£5750.00) was received on 27th September.

General Maintenance.

The maintenance contractor has been requested to trim back the low growth on the Oak tree opposite the glass bus stop on Rickstones Road.

Two quotations have been requested for the repair of the parish council notice board outside the Village Hall, one reply received.

Tree Planting.

A letter has been sent to RPPA regarding the possibility of creating a community orchard at the rear of the Village Hall and the former rectory. This being in line with the proposal from the 3 parish councils to plant 125 trees to celebrate the inauguration of parish councils 125 years ago.

Parish Liaison Meetings.

The next liaison meeting is scheduled for 20th February 2020, commencing 20.00 hours at Cressing.

BDC Local Plan: Technical Section 1 Examination 2019.

BDC has acknowledged receipt of the RPC submission and confirm that it has been processed.

CCTV.

BDC has received the cameras and equipment and the Chairman will liaise with BDC regarding the initial and subsequent locations for installation. The cost of this equipment amounted to £180.32 for which BDC will invoice the parish council. There will be an additional £17.38 for 2 additional SD cards required for the 2nd camera, making a total cost of £197.70, which is still less than the original estimate. This equipment has been added to the council's insurance policy.

A12 Rerouting

Highways England has announced that, to progress the A12 project whilst the garden community proposal is being examined, they are making a preferred route announcement on the road between junctions 19 to 23, based on options 2 and 3 from the 2017 consultation. They are also holding a further non-statutory public consultation on four new possible routes between junctions 23 and 25, in case the garden community does go ahead. If the garden community does not go ahead, the route between junctions 23 and 25 will be based on the 2017 consultation.

The consultation on junctions 23 to 25 runs from Monday 21st October until 23.59 hours on Sunday 1st December, supported by 8 drop-in exhibition events, including 1 in the Rivenhall Hotel between 15.00 and 20.00 hours on 5th November. This information has been disseminated to all Parish Councillors via Email.

Litter.

I have nothing to report at this time.

Tarecroft Wood & Car Park.

I have spoken with ECC officers who confirm that an inspection will be made of the car park entrance with a view to future security measures being installed.

Information passed to ECC re reducing growth from between the car park and roadside footway thereby creating some visibility into the car park.

Colemans Quarry.

I have nothing to report at this time.

Proposed development South of Rickstones Road.

A communication has once again been sent to all concerned indicating that this site is wholly within Rivenhall Parish, not within Witham.

Public Rights of Way.

I have contacted ECC PRoW with regard to the diversion of F/path 49 at Rivenhall Hall Farm and the creation of a new public F/path along Church Road. A map showing the proposals has been provided to PRoW for information. ECC's PRoW have responded with details of the ongoing procedure which will be followed during the course of the next few months.

Planning Applications.

All relevant planning applications have been dealt with as agreed at the October meeting.

BDLHP.

At the last Panel meeting the scheme for vehicle activated signs warning oversize HGV drivers of the Railway Bridge on Oak Road was approved for funding during 2019/20.

IWMF, Rivenhall Airfield.

I have nothing further to report at this time.

Highways Maintenance.

The Chairman has begun an inspection of all streetlights within the parish and has reported the defunct ones in Rickstones Road and Church Road to ECC for action.

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)
29th October 2019.