CLERK'S REPORT FOR OCTOBER 2012.

"Making the Links".

Receiving the October copy via email; forwarding the email to Members and producing a hard copy for the circulation box.

Parish Council Precept Meeting.

Preparing documentation for presentation at this meeting.

Tarecroft Wood.

Nothing further to report this month regarding the ECC Transfer of Assets Policy.

New Rickstones Academy.

The temporary car park has now been reinstated for future use as playing field and the Puddleducks Nursery relocated along Conrad Road, just behind the old sixth form building now used for teacher training.

Public Footpaths.

Further Rights of Way Survey Forms have been forwarded to Adam Jenkins (ECC Rights of Way Officer).

Confirmation has been received that Footpath 35 (Durwards Hall) has now been diverted due to the extension of the Fire & Rescue Service Headquarters.

ECC Salt Bag Scheme.

Nothing further to report on this scheme.

A12 slip & Oak Road junction.

Communication sent to the Highways Agency as per Minute 671(v).

The Fox.

I recently had a conversation with the agents as follows:-

"The new owners couldn't sell their property in Chelmsford so are not able to follow through with their plans for The Fox. There were too many planning conditions, which also restricted their proposed operations from the site. The owners have themselves removed the tiles but thieves have gutted the place of all saleable metals etc. If the owners do decide to proceed with operations from The Fox they will not be as per the planning applications/permission. In actual fact the owners would be prepared to lease out or even sell the property if the right offer was made."

ECC Parish Transport Meetings.

Notified ECC that Cllr. Prime will attend at Braintree.

ECC Statement of Community Involvement - First Review Draft.

Communication forwarded to ECC as per Minute 669(v).

Half-yearly report.

Report completed, printed and distributed.

Braintree District Local Highways Panel.

Members' comments regarding the request for the installation of a bus stop either side of West Ford Farm, Church Road communicated to ECC as per Minute 669(ii).

ECC Roads Maintenance.

Receiving and forwarding to Members details of the Highways Ranger Service.

The hedge between Rickstones Road and Footpath 1 has been trimmed back and the bollards at the junction of Oak Road and Henry Dixon Road have been reinstated.

Training Courses.

Cllr. Clark booked for the RCCE Introduction to Community Led Planning presentation evening.

Meeting Dates.

Amending meeting dates for October/November 2013 and producing amended list for Members. (Included with November agenda)

Parish Council Website.

All relevant information is up to date.

Planning Matters.

Receiving details of those applications granted or refused.

Liaison with the Chairman and sending a communication to ECC regarding the Non-Material Minor Amendment Application No. ESS/37/08/BTE/NMA/2 as per Minute 671(ii).

ECC & SBC Joint Waste Development Document.

Nothing further to report.

BDC's 'Allocations Development Plan Document'.

Nothing further to report.

Finance.

Reconciling the monthly budget figures and the Bank Statement.

Receiving confirmation from BDC that "...the latest proposals from Government will mean that there will be no impact on Parish funding."

Coffee Morning PC 'Surgery'.

Attending this on a fairly regular basis along with Councillors.

Liaison with Chairman.

Liaison with the Chairman upon various items of correspondence, the agenda for the next meeting and the photocopying/collection, as necessary, of planning applications.

Keith Taylor (Parish Clerk) 30th October 2012