CLERK'S GENERAL REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 2013.

Finance.

All financial matters are up to date.

Precept Meeting.

I should receive the BDC forms before the Precept Meeting on 18th December and will endeavour to circulate calculation papers with the agenda on 11/12th December 2013.

Parking Matters.

Lines in place and notices have been erected. Arrangements are in hand for a police presence outside the school, hopefully this will deal with the one persistent offender.

A12 junction with Oak Road.

Chairman reports "... there has been a year of delay; ECC have ignored us when organising a site meeting; they know the delay is causing local complaint; the scheme is still on track but ECC is waiting for the HA to respond". A delivery date has been requested.

Following a recent press report that speed cameras are coming to the A12; the Chairman has contacted the HA regarding the condition of the A12 through Rivenhall End and the delay in action regarding the increasing number of HGVs using Oak Road.

Henry Dixon Road/A12 underpass.

HA report that the temporary pump was taken off hire on 11th November and a replacement installed complete with a working reset panel. HA are looking at installing telemetry so that service provider will know of any fault immediately it occurs. There is currently just the one pump here and if telemetry is installed and working a secondary pump may not be paramount. ECC have recently swept and cleaned the gullies and drains under the bridge.

Bus Stops on the A12.

Confirmation has been received that the A12 bus stops at Rivenhall End are no longer being used by First Bus owing to problems/dangers of pulling back out into lines of traffic.

ECC Roads Maintenance.

Widening the bellmouth junction of Little Braxted Lane and Colemans Interchange has been delayed until a completion date at the end of November.

Damage to footway in Beech Road reported to ECC who, upon inspection reply that "... there were no defects identified that currently meet our investigatory criteria for intervention." BDC deny that it was a refuse vehicle that caused any damage to the footway.

Following a recent inspection by ECC of the footway along Rickstones Road the reply is that "... there were no issues identified that met our investigatory criteria".

Regarding other repairs ECC respond as follows: "The re-marking is to be carried out after we have completed carriageway repairs along the length of Church Road. At present I do not have a date for these works...we are now into wet/cold/salt on road conditions and generally do not carry out lining during the winter months."

Braintree District Local Highways Liaison Panel.

Weight restriction on Oak Road, Rivenhall End. The latest from ECC..." The HA has now advised that they would be happy for the proposals to progress and for road safety assessments to be undertaken. These are now in progress...and the HA has requested to see the results before they make a final decision, which could necessitate improvements to junction 22."

Railway Bridge, Oak Road.

Still no reply from Network Rail regarding parking.

Planning Matters.

Receiving details of Planning Applications for appraisal at the next PC meeting. Appleford Farm - the enforcement notice time for compliance has been extended to 31st March 2014.

Coffee Morning PC 'Surgery'.

There has been a regular PC presence at the Coffee Morning.

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 application documents.

Keith Taylor (Parish Clerk) 26th November 2013.