

Tivetshall Parish Council

Clerks Report

I have recently updated every policy the parish council uses for their work and also updated a policy for Operation London Bridge which is regarding the death of a royal. All these policies will be adopted on block at the next parish council meeting and then added to the website.

It is great that the neighbourhood plan is really moving forward and an examiner has been appointed in Mr N McGurk and we hope this will go forward with very few issues from the examiner. Having a neighbourhood plan also helps us with many issues around the village but also gives us an uplift in Community Infrastructure levy funds repayment to us from 15% to 25%. Which is a significant uplift for us.

We currently are awaiting to see if we have secured a grant from the McCreath trust to update the dangerous pond area and we should hear around the end of July early August if we are successful. I feel it is vital this area is upgraded as it is currently unusable due to health and safety concerns of the parish council.

I myself continue to enjoy my role and have recently booked myself onto Planning training along with our chairman and vice Chairman and I will also be undertaking Excel and Word Training to increase my knowledge on these topics also. I have also booked myself onto the national clerk's conference with the costs shared with all my Parishes. I am due to speak at this event on a project at one of my other councils that is very close to completion.

I recently attended a seminar at South Norfolk District Council called Shaping the future and despite my trepidation it was a very informative evening with many topics covered with one being the provision of Electric Car charging points at Village Halls for free. Duly to say I registered our interest straight away and await the details of the scheme plus others in the future.

We should soon take delivery of our own SAM machine (Speed Awareness machine) as we shared with Burston and Shimpling Parish Council and they have repaid the council their half of the costs incurred when the original SAM machine was purchased. The information we get from this SAM machine is vital and we have also got permission from Highways to site the new machine in 2 new locations to get even more data. We still have heard nothing back from Highways and our county and district councillor's on reducing the speed limit on Station Road but our District Councillor Barry Duffin is trying to set up a meeting with Highways on this. Watch this space

Handyman's Report

Our new handyman Nick is currently undertaking many of the jobs around the Parish from Putting new posts in to Replacing a refurbished notice board, washing the village gates to name a few and is a pleasure to work with. Nick is now booked onto Play area training and this will take a little pressure off me on this area.

