

Tivetshall Parish Council

### Clerks Report

Have been working on the many issues caused by the recent storms and been in constant contact with the Highways agencies on the many emails I received and with our local county and district councillors too.

I have also arranged with Wacton Parish Council to collect sandbags from their supply for the parish to use if these issues come back and they will be in the Cabin at the village hall for all to access although I would ask if you take some to email me so I know if the stocks are getting low.

We have also had issues with our old Parish Laptop and have now sourced a new one at a very good cost and I am currently updating it with the old email addresses and contacting everyone with our new email address which is [tivetshallpc@outlook.com](mailto:tivetshallpc@outlook.com)

I am also looking at our budget for the coming year and noting all the increases we have seen on such things as Grass cutting, website and other items we have to pay for but would also like to note the extra work the County and district council are putting on clerks moving forward.

It looks like due to these increases we will unfortunately be increasing the band D charge which we have limited to the smallest increase we can as the council and myself are all aware of current increases in the cost of living but we must not get to the old state of the situation a few years ago and need to do this small increase to keep our reserves in place for any big issues we may encounter.

As for the budget increases the parish council are having to undertake everyone is welcome to chat with me at TTJ and I can show you how these are worked out etc.

I attended the TTJ recently and great to see it so busy but I must ask parishioners not to listen to Chinese whispers on the housing clusters programme and we have yet to hear anything on this subject and when I do, trust me I will inform you all straight away.

I have ordered the Parish Christmas tree and this will be delivered around the end of November to be erected asap and if any volunteers wish to help email me and I will let you know the day we are erecting the tree.

Finally if you have any issues I would ask that you email me on [tivetshallpc@outlook.com](mailto:tivetshallpc@outlook.com) rather than on the face-book site as I see the emails daily but be aware that I do only work 8.5 hours a week and that any agenda items must be received by myself 7 working days before the meeting date to give me time to get them on the agenda that I post around 7 days before the meeting actually takes place

See you all at TTJ

### **Handyman's Report**

Nick is continuing to work around the village and has finished the upgrade of the parish benches and is undertaking all the works on the play area that are needed, other jobs are on the horizon for Nick and with the diligent manner he completes these tasks we are lucky to have him as our maintenance handyman.

