

CLERK'S REPORT SINCE FERUARY MEETING.

Insurance claim re Church Road VAS.

Solagen came to erect the VAS on 10th February but could not do so as the reinstated post was bent!!

I have contacted ECC Highways and requested that they install a new post so that the VAS can be installed as quickly as possible.

VAS, Henry Dixon Road.

The post has been erected and a request made for Solagen to install the VAS.

I have written to our Insurance Company requesting the addition of this VAS and onto the schedule in the increased sum of £5,500 to cover both VAS and post.

Revised parking restrictions in Church Road.

Annette Thornton of ECC Highways reports as follows: *"As changes were requested to the original plans we were not able to progress with the proposals in this financial year. Following the restructure within Highways and major cuts to budgets available, we now have to pass all requests through our customer liaison team who then progress the schemes as funding becomes available. I have progressed the paperwork as much as possible to help speed things up when funding becomes available but if you have any questions you will have to direct them to the Customer Liaison Team..."*

Item on the March agenda.

Grass cutting in the Parish.

Contacted both BDC and Greenfields CH as per Minute 413(vi).

Salt bins.

Contacted Greenfields CH as per Minute 413(ix).

No reply to date.

Community Led Planning.

Action taken as per Minute 413(i) with a copy of my communication forwarded to RCCE for information.

Tree Planting Grant.

Documents passed to End-to-End Nature care for their perusal and possible action.

Annual Parish Assembly.

Continued compilation of the Council's Annual Report (this may be proof ready at the March meeting); compiling the Community Information details (sending reminders) and checking availability of invited speakers.

Greensward, St. Mary's Road.

Contacted Greenfields CH as per Minute 413(viii).

No reply to date.

Parish Council Website.

Documents forwarded for inclusion on Parish Council website are as up to date as possible, including a copy of the explanatory document regarding the Localism Bill and both replies to ECC Minerals and Waste consultations.

Possible new footway to bus stops on Rickstones Road.

Contacted BDC as per Minute 413(vii).

Liaised with Kitty Barrett regarding funding from the Witham Local Committee, which will be taken forward for consideration.

ECC Minerals Development Document: Preferred Approach.

Letter sent to ECC by the due date of 17th February, outlining the PC's observations/recommendations.

Copy posted on the PC website together with the Waste Development letter.

Verge erosion in Rickstones Road.

This has been reported to ECC Highways for urgent attention.

Electricity supply to Christmas Tree lights.

Still awaiting invoice from the supply company.

Planning Applications.

Liaising and meeting with architects for the new owner of The Fox re change of use and other issues at the site.

Planning application now with BDC for PC observations before 9th March.

Letter sent to residents of Oak Road re the PC meeting where plans will be on display.

Finance.

Accounts are up to date and reconciled to the Bank Statements.

ECC invoice for erection of VAS post in Henry Dixon Road now paid.

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, including the ECC Minerals Development Documents. And planning applications.

Keith Taylor (Parish Clerk)
22nd February 2011.