

CLERK'S GENERAL REPORT FROM 29 AUGUST TO 25 SEPTEMBER 2017.

Finance/Administration.

Accounts and administration are all up to date.

2ND half-year Precept payment due on 29 September as per notification from BDC.

Foxden Parking.

Residents' letters delivered as per the September minutes. No further comments received to date.

General Maintenance.

Contractor requested to urgently cut up the fallen tree from PF 47.

Quotations received re work recommended at the September meeting.

BDC Community Governance Review.

Response sent to BDC as per the September minutes.

BDC Local Plan.

A Freedom of Information Request has been submitted to BDC for details of all correspondence between landowners, their agents, or developers with BDC in the last 2 years regarding land off Rickstones Road, Forest Road and Rectory Lane re potential future development above and beyond that already allocated at the agreed Growth Location. The only details received related to the land south of Rickstones Road including comments by BDC regarding possible problems with the local road infrastructure.

Bellway Developments.

Response sent to Bellway as per the September minutes.

Rivenhall Airfield - IWMF.

A request for an extension of time has been requested for responses to the new planning applications submitted to ECC.

The Environment Agency has granted an environmental permit re the stack

PAIN are holding a public meeting on Friday 29 September at 20.00 in Coggeshall Village Hall to which all Parish Councillors are invited to attend.

Colemans Farm Quarry.

Communication sent to ECC re the Draft Prohibition (No Left Turn) at Little Braxted Lane entrance - as per the September minutes.

Planning Applications.

Dealt with as per the September Minutes.

Planning Appeals.

There are no new appeals to report.

Highways Maintenance.

Once again there appears to be an increase in the number of HGVs ignoring the 7.5 tonne weight restriction between Rickstones Road and the railway bridge.

A120 re-routing.

The Braintree Members' Forum was held on Tuesday 12 September. ECC expects to announce its preferred route(s) at the November 2017 Cabinet meeting at County Hall; the lead Cllr. is Kevin Bentley who said he was happy to take views for several weeks yet. The Chairman has approached Crossing and Silver End PCs to see if there's any mileage in a joint approach to Cllr. Bentley from the perspective of the 'southern' parishes; northern parishes are apparently backing southern routes D or

E. It now appears that Option A, the route preferred by Rivenhall, Silver End, Cressing and Kelvedon is unlikely to go forward from ECC's appraisal of the consultation results. The Chairman's suggestion is that the southern parishes write to the A120 promoters and Cllr. Bentley to support route B as a fall back 'least worst' option, whilst still maintaining A as first choice. Both Cressing and Silver End have resolved to support this approach.

Highways England

Nothing to report at this time.

Potters Level Crossing.

The temporary closure of this crossing has been extended and may continue in force for 6 months, or until the works have been completed.

Braintree District Local Highways Liaison Panel.

For the very latest information see the September minutes.

Liaison with Chairman.

Liaison with the Chairman upon various items of correspondence, the agenda for the next meeting and planning application documents as necessary.

Keith Taylor (Parish Clerk)
25 September 2017