

CLERK'S GENERAL REPORT FROM 1ST DECEMBER 2021 TO 28TH DECEMBER 2021.

Finance/Administration.

All matters are up to date.

Three Parishes Meeting.

The next meeting will be hosted at Cressing during March 2022

Planning Applications.

Comments forwarded to BDC and ECC as per the December Minutes.

I have also complained to BDC regarding the lack of referral for recent new applications. They acknowledge omissions and try to make excuses. I have replied that it is to be hoped that the correct procedure will be followed in future.

Planning Application results.

None received to date.

Defibrillator.

The pads within the defibrillator require replacement at an estimated cost of £48 for adults and £66 for infants, including VAT - to be included on the January agenda.

BDC Local Plan.

A letter from Essex Wildlife Trust, dated 29th June 2017, confirms their request to BDC for the deselection of Local Wildlife Site Bra175 - the Old Rectory Meadows, Rectory Lane.

General Highway Maintenance.

All outstanding issues have been reported to ECC Cllr. Playle.

Tree Planting.

Fencing quotation requested from the RPC maintenance contractor via liaison with the Chairman.

Queens' Platinum Jubilee 2022

Nothing new to report.

IWMF.

Just to reiterate that the Chairman attended the latest Rivenhall Airfield Waste Site Liaison meeting on behalf of the Parish Council and circulated details of the main points arising:-

It was confirmed that a lot of site clearance has been carried out and that protected species were moved in the process. The Chairman will be following up on this.

The developers, Indaver, confirmed they will NOT be building most of the "Integrated" plant that was consented, and re-consented, between 2010 and 2016. They will not build any facility for recycling or AD (composting) and in particular, neither they nor Gent Fairhead will build the paper recycling plant, which was the "anchor" when the Government Inspector in 2010 allowed consent, because it provided a CHP status for the site - the paper unit would use electricity, heat and steam from the incinerator.

Instead Indaver say they now want to build a plant that will process the incinerator ash and that they are exploring piping steam to heat buildings in Chelmsford and Colchester. This latter point

appears ridiculous as it would require massively expensive pipes running for miles either over other people's land or by digging up roads. But they appear serious about it.

To make the changes they want they are now starting on a process of bypassing Essex County Council (the current relevant planning authority) and going straight to the Government as a national Infrastructure project.

Indaver were asked if having dropped all the other elements aside from waste burning, are they going to use the "headroom" capacity to increase the size of the incinerator. They said they would not

Planning Application ESS/34/15/BTE/12/01; Management works near Woodhouse Farm Moat.
To be considered at the January meeting.

General Maintenance.

An additional clearing of the slopes and steps up to the A12 has been requested.

Recycling Site litter bin.

BDC has been requested to replace the existing bin as per the December minutes and, after consultation I've agreed to a lidded litter bin, post supported, to be installed at the entrance to the John Ray Walk; this without additional cost.

Colemans Quarry.

Planning Application ESS/98/21/BTE; To be considered at the January meeting.

A12 Chelmsford to A120 Widening.

Nothing further to report.

BDLHP.

The Chairman has completed the appropriate request form for the speed monitoring along Rickstones Road.

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
28th December 2021.