

CLERK'S GENERAL REPORT FROM 30TH DECEMBER 2020 TO 26TH JANUARY 2021.

Finance/Administration.

Everything is up to date..

Ladywell Accountancy Services will cease processing my PAYE w.e.f. 31st March 2021. I am making enquiries regarding seeking an alternative provider, but there will be an increase in the cost for this service.

On-line banking isn't possible with the Community/Business accounts currently being run at Barclays as the requirement is for two signatures on the cheques.

Three Parishes Meeting.

A Zoom meeting is scheduled for 1st February 2021.

Planning Applications.

Replies to the following planning consultations were all 'No Comments' -

20/02125/HH: 304 Rickstones Road.

20/02106/HH: 309 Rickstones Road.

20/02130/HH: 4 Foxmead.

20/02210/NMA: 451 Rickstones Road.

21/00031/OUT: Industrial & Distribution units - Burghey Brook Farm.

Comments requesting additional boundary screening forwarded to BDC.

CC/BTE/02/21: Erection of a two-storey SEND building for Southview School.

Comments re parking concerns, previously submitted at Outline stage reiterated.

BDC Local Plan.

Nothing further to report at this time.

Land South West of Rivenhall Oaks Golf Course.

A response, recommending refusal of the outline planning application 20/02060/OUT submitted by Bellway, has been forwarded to BDC.

General Highway Maintenance.

Work to repair the potholes on Oak Road, near the railway bridge, and Church Road have been put back to January 2021 as ECC will need to close the roads.

Local Flooding.

The Chairman has sent an urgent request, including numerous photographs, to the Highways Cabinet Member at ECC and to the ECC Principal planning Officer, for action to be taken to alleviate the recurrent flooding throughout Rivenhall Parish. The Chairman has suggested that a site meeting would be advisable in order to progress these matters.

General Maintenance.

I met up with our previous litter picker and thanked her for the sterling work she'd done over the past 4 years. I have also arranged for a new litter picker, Mr. Andrew Wilson, who commenced litter picking on 9th January 2021.

Albert Moss Playing Field.

BDC has undertaken some repair/replacement to the play equipment on the playing field.

I've also reported the malfunction of the padlock on the entrance gate which BDC has in hand to replace.

Glass bus shelter on Rickstones Road.

As the claim for this damage has now been accepted by the council's insurers I've now placed the repair with AJM Glass and await their completion of the work and the invoice in the sum of £583.03 + VAT - RPC claim back the VAT and Zurich will settle the claim at £583.03 less £100.00 excess. The glass is due to be fitted on Tuesday 2nd February 2021.

IWMF, Rivenhall Airfield.

I have nothing further to report.

New Path r/o Village Hall.

BDC report that all consents and paperwork have been cleared and a contractor appointed. The work should commence from 15th March and all local residents will be informed by letter from BDC.

Tarecroft Wood entrance car park.

Once the CCTV pole and camera is on site arrangements will be made for the opening and closing procedures.

Tree Planting.

ECC has agreed, in principle, to the use of an area of their land that RPC and the local community can access for the tree planting project. Confirmation of details are awaited.

Colemans Quarry.

I have nothing further to report.

Proposed development South of Rickstones Road.

Work progresses on site.

SEND School, Rickstones Road.

Flooding of the local footpath and Rickstones Road have been caused by these construction works. The problems have been reported to ECC with an urgent request for remedial action.

Public Rights of Way.

There has been massive flooding at the junction of The John Ray Walk and Rickstones Road.

A12 Chelmsford to A120 Widening.

I have nothing further to report.

Bradwell Quarry.

I have nothing further to report.

BDLHP.

The next scheduled meeting should be on Thursday 28th January 2021.

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
26th January 2021.