

Chairs Report- February 2020

Following a request from Councillor Barrett, I contacted Norfolk County Council about joining the missing pavement from Ketts Hill to Chantry Lane. Unfortunately, they have advised me there is no funding available to do this work this year and if it goes on a waiting list which is very long at present. They have suggested applying to the Parish Partnership for a 50% grant fund towards the work.

I am in the process of getting a price but the Partnership does not make their decision until December so this item will be shelved until nearer that time. Councillor Barrett and I will liaise later concerning this problem.

A series of complaints have been received concerning the ditch bordering chantry court and the walkway through to chantry lane. I am pleased to report that flagship housing surveyors have agreed to clear the ditch and put in sandbags to prevent further flooding. I await a date for this work to start but if I have not heard by our next meeting, I will chase them up.

Erne Farm - I requested the Clerk to contact planning as we have heard nothing. You have all received their reply which I will ask our Breckland Councillor to explain later in our meeting.

The Parish Council representativeness on the Vattenfall/Boreas projects are meeting with Vattenfall personnel tomorrow to discuss the Green Subcommittee suggestions for funding - to be discussed later in our meeting.

I have contacted Norfolk County Council about drainage issues in Chantry Lane and other parts of the village. Councillor Hayton and myself are awaiting a date for a site visit to discuss remedial works and I will also advise the villagers who have raised this issue the date of the visit. Following yesterdays severe storm Anglian Water were called out three times to pump out sewage for residents. I have spoken again to NCC and asked them to make this job a priority and they have agreed to move it ahead of the usual 6-week lead in time.

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Chair - Necton Parish Council