

Clerks Report August 2020

Westotec have now completed the conversion of all of Necton's streetlights to LED and the final invoice is included within this month's payments. I have contacted UK Power networks and they have now updated their inventory and issued us with a new Unmetered Supply Certificate. They have confirmed they have also sent this to E-On our electricity supplier. They did state there is a significant reduction and I await correspondence from E-on confirming our new monthly tariff and confirmation of the rebate we are due.

I have also received confirmation from UK Power Networks that the column outside Mill Street was included in our inventory and have informed Hopkins Homes of this fact. It would appear that they have been charged for this light along with ourselves. Chris Lister at Hopkins Homes will take forward with E-On as obviously if we have been correctly paying for it but they have also been charged they need to challenge E-On themselves as they are due to be refunded from them.

The VAT refund sent at the end of June has been approved and VAT refund in the sum of £3725.22 has been received and included within the monthly budget update.

A resident has emailed to state there seems to be an increase of litter around the entrance to the allotments. I have liaised with Liz the caretaker and she will undertake a litter pick once a week. I contacted Roger Davies from the Allotment Association and he has confirmed they have seen a marked increase in litter and are clearing as well. Further discussions with Liz have confirmed that the amount of litter around Necton is now extremely high, especially on the playing field and the play area. She says that she is collecting so much litter the BIFFA bin we have is completely full each week and whilst the bins are utilised around the village to the point of getting very full there is still a large amount just being left on the ground. I have therefore contacted Co-Op and Costa via email to their head offices to see if they will offer some assistance as a large amount of litter is generated from these two premises. I will also place a notice within this month's Link asking residents to be mindful of litter and to take their rubbish home if the bins are full. Hopefully when the schools re-open and the summer weather passes, we should see a reduction in litter but I will continue to monitor with Liz.

The Parish Council has received emails from two residents in regards to the unoccupied bungalow on Mill street. They have stated that not only is this sight an eyesore but that the overgrowth is encroaching onto the footpath and indeed stated that tree roots are lifting the paving. They enquired as to whether the Parish Council could assist with this issue.