Clerks Report November 2020

Following the recent announcements, I can confirm that Sue, the cleaner has re-entered the furlough scheme and will remain on furlough until restrictions/scheme ends. All booked classes at the Community Centre are obviously cancelled. Liz, the caretaker is continuing with her usual working hours.

Following updates from Councillors last month I can confirm that I have contacted Highways with regards to cutting back the overhanging trees outside the old school on School Road and this has been given a job number. I have also contacted the Enforcement team at Breckland with regards to the same as some trees are within the plot site. I will monitor progress and update accordingly.

Following the Council giving permission for gardening to be undertaken at the top of Tuns Road I can confirm that I have contacted our Insurance Company and any works carried out by volunteers is fully insured. They kindly provided me with Risk Assessment templates to complete and at the time of this meeting I am waiting for the volunteer in question to respond to my emails confirming they can proceed once we complete the Risk Assessments.

I have now finally received confirmation from Ward Gethin Archer that the Marlpit has now been transferred at Land Registry to Necton Parish Council. We now have copies of the Register and Title Plan produced by Land Registry and these have been filed electronically and in hardcopy at the office. The original copies are stored at Ward Gethin Archer in their Deeds Store and we can access these at any point.

Councillor Jennings noticed that the Breckland website had not updated the details of our Vice Chair following Councillor Bateman's appointment. I can confirm that Breckland have now updated their records accordingly.

The playground equipment is due its annual inspection and so I have contacted David Bracey to undertake his inspection. He has confirmed that he can undertake this during November and will produce his report thereafter.

I attempted to contact Martin Pitt with regards to the repairs to the car park at the Community Centre but have received no response, I have asked Councillor Sisto to speak to him and wondered whether he had manged to discuss him providing us with a quote.

Liz has reported white goods fly tipped in the River Wissey at the bridge on North Pickenham Road/ Browns Lane, I have reported this to Breckland Council.

Hopefully all flyers have now been distributed to the Necton residents, with another lockdown in place this should provide more visibility of the Parish Council to all residents, please can you remind all residents that you speak to that they are more than welcome to join our monthly meetings via Zoom.

A number of residents had complained over the weekend about a bonfire that was lit at the Marlpit. This was to clear trees only but ash was sent up near to neighbouring properties. I have informed Necton Area Trust and a response including an apology has been received and I have duly sent this to the residents on NAT's behalf.

Please can I also remind Councillors to consider and collect nominations for our Community Awards, I have launched this in the latest Link copy and will continue to do so. In the meantime, please let me know if you have any nominations of your own.