

Clerks Report May 2021

Following the death of HRH The Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh and the request to donate to charity instead of floral tributes the agreed donation was made to WWF in the name of Necton PC and we have received a letter of thanks from them. It confirms their gratitude of the donation and states this will help them to continue to undertake work to protect wildlife and habitats for future generations.

The Clerk has ordered the new bike shelter and the lead in time for delivery is 6-7 weeks. I have emailed Martin Pitt to confirm this in order for him to be able to accommodate his schedule of work. Hopefully he will be able to lay down the concrete pad soon after we take delivery of the shelter.

The Clerk has confirmed that the Parish Council requests street lighting to be included at the development at Erne Farm and we would like these lights to LED low energy lights in order for them to be in keeping with the existing lighting in Necton. I have confirmed we are aware the PC will need to adopt this once the development is completed.

Whilst the hole in the car park seems to have been filled in Councillor Bateman was informed by the workman that he passed by whilst they were on site that this was filled in using asphalt and may not be suitable for a long-term fix on what is a sink hole. Therefore, I have emailed our Highways engineer and County Councillor to voice our concerns but as of yet am yet to receive a response. I will chase this again in the next week if no response is forthcoming.

Contact has also been made with Breckland in regards to the bin outside the Church. Whilst this is not a Parish Council bin it is checked each week as it gets very full. Sarah, who is emptying our bins at the moment confirmed it seems to be rotting away at the bottom and is full of foul liquid and decayed rubbish and has spotted rats there. I have informed Breckland of the issue and asked them to replace the bin as this is a Health hazard. They have responded and are looking into this.

A resident reported two street lights weren't working in Kingfisher Drive, as these haven't been adopted by the PC I reported the fault to NCC for them to take forward.

Councillor Hicks was informed by a member of the public that the bridge into the dog walking area was feeling unstable. It is possible that some repairs made be needed and the Clerk has contacted the landowner who has confirmed they will investigate and report back.