

## **Clerks Report June 2023**

Breckland have been made aware of the vacancy on the Council following the resignation of Annie Turner. The date of receipt of requests to hold an election is 19<sup>th</sup> June. If there are no requests by a minimum of 10 residents to Breckland for an election, we can fill the vacancy using the co –option policy.

As agreed by NCC and Breckland to empty a new litter bin at Kingfisher Drive/ Hale Road this has now been purchased. Another bin has also been purchased to replace the small dog poo bin at the allotments. This second bin is for dog poo and litter and is much larger so should help alleviate litter and overflowing bin issues. The caretaker will install these as soon as he has some spare hours to do so.

Correspondence has been received from Breckland confirming they have listed the Windmill Public House as an Asset of Community Value. This listing means that when the owner next wishes to dispose of their interest in the property they must notify Breckland Council in writing they wish to sell. They will then be prevented from selling until the Council has allowed 6 weeks for community interest groups to express a wish to be treated as potential bidders for the property. If no groups express any interest the owner can sell to anyone, but if the owner does not complete the sale within 18 months and wishes to complete the sale, the owner will again be required to notify the Council in writing and a further moratorium will then apply. It further confirmed that the owner has a right to have the listing decision reviewed but must request this to the Council in writing within 8 weeks from the date of the letter (23<sup>rd</sup> May 2023) and provide evidence that they meet the definition of owner as set out in Section 107 of the Localism Act 2011.

As agreed at the last meeting the comments for the Necton VA School consultation have been added to their online consultation portal.

As per the motion at the last meeting to continue to work with Necton Area Trust I have written and sent a letter to them confirming our agreement with them will continue and is to be reviewed every 12 months. They are also aware of our conditions regarding purchasing of materials and one off projects.

I have informed the Ketteringham Rangers with the faults that were provided to me. They will review these and undertake any remedial works within the next 6-8 weeks.

National Highways have emailed to confirm the final stages of funding for the junction improvement on Tuns Road and the A47 is now in place and work is committed and will commence late summer/ early autumn.