

Clerk's Report

Mileham Parish Council

The items below relate to actions/resolutions from the meeting on 8 June:

Item 4: the councillors were unable to meet, during the month, to discuss the activity list so this has been included in July's meeting.

Item 12: the SAM2 sharing group had been contacted about the possibility of purchasing an additional sign to share in the group. No response has been received at the time of writing.

Items requiring further explanation on the agenda of 13 July:

Item 7: Last month the council agreed to write to MP George Freeman to raise concerns about the decision Norfolk County Council had made in regards to the school route that children were expected to use to walk to Litcham school was appropriate. MP George Freeman has responded to the request for help and is proposing that he lobbies on the behalf of the parish council.

Item 14: Breckland District Council are responsible for cutting the grass verges on Back Lane, Burghwood Drive and The Street, which is done a regular basis. Norfolk County Council cut the grass verges outside of the village centre and they are typically done twice a year.

Item 16.1: Last month the council agreed to write to a number of different organisations, including Norfolk County Council and Breckland District Council, raise the issue of flooding at Burghwood Drive. Only a few responses have been received so far.

Item 16.2: Norfolk County Council have advised the parish council that the Highways team have jetted the gullies from the Tittleshall Road junction on Litcham Road to the bus stop. They advised that the level of the ditch is above the outfall of the pipes and therefore when it rains the flooding will reoccur unless the ditch is properly maintained. They have asked for the parish council to contact the landowner to try to resolve the situation.

Item 17.1: the deadline for comments on planning application 3PL/2021/0865/VAR, Coronation Farm Litcham Road were 5 July 2021. The Parish Council entered "The Parish Council have no objections." COMMENTS.

Item 20: Breckland District Council are likely to begin loaning out litter picking equipment again from 19 July.

Item 21: Some of the council's policies need updating while some are additional. This is the first part of the review with the second part due to take part in August's meeting.

Item 24.3: The asset register has been used to agree the council's insurance requirements. The insurance company have advised that they need to be aware of all of the council's assets before they can advise if any change to the policy is required.

Other items not on the agenda;

The Street is due to be closed for around 12 days from the 19th July during working hours. As the road being closed is a 'B' road the diversion has to be routed over 'B' or higher-class roads, in this case this makes the diversion overly long. Dist. Cllr Mark Kiddle-Morris has asked that possible Sat Nav shortcuts to the diversion are signed as unsuitable for HGVs to prevent problems on narrow roads.

Buckingham Palace have unveiled plans to mark the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. The anniversary of The Queen's record-breaking 70-year reign is officially in February 2022 and celebrations are planned throughout the year. A four-day bank holiday weekend will run from Thursday 2 June to Sunday 5 June 2022 and national events will include Trooping the Colour, a service of thanksgiving and a live concert. During this central weekend, Platinum Jubilee beacons will be lit across the UK and communities will take part in the Big Jubilee Lunch with street parties being held throughout the country.

A resident has been trying to get cones left on The Street removed by Highways. It appears that these are being used to deter traffic from pulling onto the verges. Cllr Butler-Stoney has been working with residents to find a resolution.