

CLERK REPORT JANUARY FULL COUNCIL

I hope everyone had a lovely Christmas and New Year.

December was a busy month. I completed 5 sets of minutes before my annual leave commenced on the 17th of December.

Good news. A new well cover has been installed at Spring Hill, Punnetts Town just before Christmas.



I was informed by East Sussex Highways more deer signs would be imminently installed at Ruslake Green.

The VAT for 1.4.2019-31.3.2020 for £721.47 and the VAT for 1.4.2020-31.3.2021 for £701.54 was credited to the PC bank account on the 24th of December as a single amount of £1,423.01. The amount was slightly less than originally expected as the PC could not claim the Insurance Premium Tax from their BHIB Insurance cover.

The meeting with Ian Johnson the Traffic & Safety Manager at East Sussex Highways has been arranged for Wednesday 12th January. Three Councillors have confirmed their attendance and some points of concerns have been emailed to Mr Johnson ahead of the meeting.

The bike hoops have been removed from Rushlake Green Village Green. I have not yet received a response from the owners of the hoops regarding an alternative location.

All the finger post repairs have been completed. However, the new finger post at Kingsley Hill was damaged on Christmas eve. The contractor reported a car had hit the post and he had repaired it as best he could on site, but further repairs are required for which I have received a quote. It will be presented at the next appropriate meeting once I have confirmed the PC's position with ESCC regarding payment of the repairs.

The relevant letter has been sent to Barclays regarding the PC's bank mandate.

The results of the two traffic surveys conducted in Rushlake Green and Bodle Street Green were circulated to all Councillors on the 8th of December, and they will be discussed with Ian Johnson at the site meeting on Wednesday 12th January.

The new memorial bench in memory of Mr Knibb to be located on Rushlake Green has been ordered by the member of public in November but due to a backlog the lead time is 16-20 weeks.

I hope to arrange this week a date for a future Environment and CIL meeting.

The Parish Council's new agreed payroll provider has been contacted and I should receive the engagement letter in due course.

I have contacted several other contractors for quotes for the repair works to the village sign, notice board and Osborne House forecourt and am awaiting quotes.

The relevant forms for the completion work of the David Bysouth bench have been returned to East Sussex.

I will begin my CILCA qualification for Horam Parish Council in April.