

Clerk's Report – 17th September 2018 - Bures Hamlet Parish Council

Grounds maintenance: Works completed: All grounds maintenance as per contract. Sweeping at Bridge Street, Station Hill and the station area. Weed sprayed Colchester Road path. Cut back tree overhang at Millennium footpath gate entrance. Cut and litter picked Colchester Road verge. Cleared dead willow branch at river. Strimmed at FP21 plus around dog waste bin as requested by Jan Aries Parish ROW.

County Broadband: County Broadband currently arranging to hold a meeting in the village in November to promote its broadband provision. Advertising pending.

Bures Bridge repairs: Suffolk Highways has advised that the pending works to the roadbridge has been pushed back due to more urgent work elsewhere in the County and would not be included in this current financial year programme. The trip hazard on the footbridge is to be repaired. Surfacing to be inspected before the winter but highly unlikely that this will be replaced this winter.

Local Highways Panel: The feasibility study for the dropped kerb at No. 3 Bridge Street has been formally removed from the order of works following the completion of the path resurfacing along Bridge Street.

Mount Bures footpath: The Clerk had received the ECC Definitive Map Modification No. 624 (Braintree) Order dated 30th April 2018 for the new entry of FP33 Brook House Road. Clerk following up with Mount Bures Parish Council Clerk for FP33 to be named and plaque erected.

Training calendar: The Clerk had circulated the EALC Training Calendar for 2018 – please contact the Clerk if any member is interested in any of the training sessions. Clerk to attend an Elections training day in November as a lead up to the 2019 Elections.

The Clerk was in receipt of the following and all circulated and held on file:

Essex Passenger Transport details on proposed Colchester Bus Stop reallocation – details can be found on www.essexhighways.org/getting-around/bus.aspx

AONB Monthly update – June, July and August

Essex Highways – Highways Highlights newsletter – also available via the parish website
Details of The Essex Crowd initiative which gives residents, community groups, charities and businesses the opportunity to run crowdfunding campaigns for local projects across the County

Essex Rural Skills Project – www.essexrsp.org.uk

Solar Together Essex - group buying scheme for solar panels – www.essex.gov.uk/solartogether

Updates from UK Power Networks – giving details of 105 telephone reporting, Priority Service Register – www.ukpowernetworks.co.uk

Details of the North Essex Parking Partnership – www.parkingpartnership.org.uk/north

Orchard East Heritage Lottery Fund Project – Essex – for parish councils or community groups to consider establishing a new community orchard

The Voice of Rural Essex – RCCE Oyster magazine – Summer 2018

Mrs Jenny Wright, Clerk to Bures Hamlet Parish Council

