

**29<sup>th</sup> September 2014 Bures Hamlet Parish Council  
Clerk's Report**

**Grounds maintenance:** All grass cutting completed as per maintenance agreement. Nettles along fence line at Millennium footpath sprayed and cleared. Sweeping completed at Station Hill and Colchester Road, Station area and Bridge Street. Nettles at field gate and at Millennium gate cut back. Tree overhang inside gate cut back. The Paddocks to Normandie Way footpath strimmed. Footpath along road side of Station Hill boundary wall weed killed. John Doe to flail Colchester Road hedge when timing suitable. Jubilee Oak on Bures Common restrapped. Bench at The Knowle cleaned.

**Stour Heritage at Risk Project:** David Taylor advised that he was the volunteer for the project with Anne assisting him. He had not identified any buildings at risk so far and would be extending the project to Mount Bures and St Mary parishes.

**Managing Masterpiece:** David Taylor also advised that he had been completing river studies for the last couple of years. The River Stour and its tributaries to be surveyed under the Managing a Masterpiece Project. He had recently surveyed a number of sections from Bures Mill to Wormingford.

**Greenfields Estate visits:** The Clerk and Cllr Barnham had attended the estate visit on 15<sup>th</sup> July at the Lamarsh Hill bungalows but no-one from Greenfields Housing arrived. Clerk to write to Mark Garnham. Estates Manager to enquire when the next visit was due and why no one in attendance.

**Training:** The Clerk was in receipt of details of Councillor and Clerk's training sessions from the Essex Association of Local Councils. Two of interest – 'Election Day' Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> November and Exclusive Rights of Burials Course, Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December. Both to be held at Foakes Hall, Great Dunmow.

**Trees for sale:** The Clerk had circulated information of trees for sale from Suffolk Farm Fencing of Belchamp Walter.

**The Clerk was in receipt of the following:**

September E Bulletin including information on the Mi Community Fund – circulated

Making the Links August edition including information on the Community Initiatives Fund (CIF) – circulated

Information on the Adopted Essex Minerals Local Plan - circulated

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