

The matter will then be dealt with in the same way as a call to 101. The online service can be used as an alternative method to report anything including anti-social behaviour, road-related incidents, and other non-emergency crimes, in only a matter of minutes. Suffolk police say: "Reporting online will be quicker for you; the matter will be dealt with in the same way as a call and it will reduce pressure on the control room to enable them to prioritise the more urgent calls and support the more vulnerable members of our community."

To report something online please visit:

www.suffolk.police.uk/contact-us

Always call 999 when an emergency is ongoing, such as when a crime is in progress or when life is in danger.

Parish Council Meetings

The Parish Council holds its regular monthly meetings at 7.30 pm. on the first Tuesday of each month at Trimley Memorial Hall. Each meeting includes a public session when residents are warmly invited to give their views and to question the Parish Council on issues on the agenda, or raise issues for future consideration at the discretion of the Chairman. Members of the public may stay to observe, but may not take part in the remainder of the meeting that follows.

A few days before each meeting the agenda is published on the Parish Council website; alternatively you can view a paper copy on either of the two parish council noticeboards.

<http://trimleystmartin.onesuffolk.net/home/agenda/>

Contact Us

To contact the Clerk email: parishclerk@trimley-st-martin.org.uk or telephone 01394 448844,

To contact the Chairwoman, Yvonne Smart, email: tsmart841@gmail.com

The Parish Pump is also available online at:

<http://trimleystmartin.onesuffolk.net/home/the-parish-pump/>

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Parish Council — Unfilled Seats We Need You!

Are you interested in the life of your village, your local environment, recreational facilities, local transport, planning and housing matters? These are just a few of the areas where the Parish Council gets involved: commenting on proposals, raising issues and where possible providing some resources for the benefit of the village.

Could you fill one of the three parish councillor vacancies? You don't need any special qualifications; if you are a local resident, over 18, with an interest in local affairs and the community, and keen to contribute your views and experience you could be considered for co-option.

The Parish Council particularly needs more young people to get involved. This is an interesting and rewarding role and if you are in the early years of your career it could be a great way of developing your knowledge and skills. Last month the Chair of the National Association of Local Councils launched the new national young councillors network saying: *"getting younger people involved in our communities and local (parish and town) councils is important to ensure we are more representative of the communities we serve and young people can influence the decisions that affect them."*

If this sounds like you, please email the Clerk parishclerk@trimley-st-martin.org.uk and she will send you a short form to complete. Any of the councillors, or the Clerk, would be very pleased to speak to you about the role.

Our Village

Community Infrastructure Levy

The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) is a charge levied by local authorities on new development in their area. It is used by local authorities to help them deliver the infrastructure needed to support the new development.

15% of the CIL is paid to the Parish Council. This is known as neighbourhood CIL and it must be used on local infrastructure projects. The rest of the CIL goes to the East Suffolk Council District Infrastructure CIL Fund which is then allocated to projects in the wider area.

The Parish Council is exploring what its current CIL fund should be spent on. We have earmarked some funds for new planting and removal of dead trees on the Howlett Way roundabout and surrounding shrub beds, but we expect to have over £46,000 to spend on other projects with more expected to follow. We would like to hear your views on how this money should be spent.

Two suggestions which have been made by Parish Councillors are:

- To extend the Memorial Hall to provide more meeting space
- If a suitable plot of land can be found, to provide a playing field for Trimley St Martin.

We want to know what you think, so we are asking you to answer the small number of questions on the enclosed sheet and email your response to parishclerk@trimley-st-martin.org.uk deliver by hand to any parish councillor, or reply by post to: Parish Clerk, 37 Meadowlands, Kirton, Ipswich, IP10 0PP

Out and About—Footpaths and Highways

Problems with Footpaths

You can let Suffolk County Council know about a problem with a public right of way by using the Highways Reporting Tool in just the same way that you would report a problem on the road.

To make a report, you will need to give the following information:

- The location of the problem
- A detailed description of the problem (there is also space at the end of the online form to add a photograph; it helps, but isn't essential.)
- your name, address and contact details.

Access the system and find out more via the following link:

[Report a public right of way issue | Suffolk County Council](#)

Speed Watch

We are delighted to be able to let you know that a volunteer has come forward to co-ordinate a speed watch group for Trimley St Martin. This is very much a team effort, so now the group needs volunteers who will work with others to carry out the checks. Can you help? The local police will provide all the equipment so, if you are interested in taking on this important role, please email parishclerk@trimley-st-martin.org.uk and she will forward your request to the co-ordinator.

Contacting the Police



Residents are reminded by Suffolk Police to consider reporting non-emergency incidents online to help police manage the summer surge. You can go to the force's website and report incidents online by clicking the 'report something' button.