

**The Parish Pump** 

**Trimley St Martin Parish Council Newsletter** January 2020

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# What's On

#### CPR

Learn how to deliver cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and find out about using a defibrillator in an emergency. The British Heart Foundation, together with Felixstowe First Responders, have generously offered to deliver free training at the Memorial Hall on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February, at 7pm. Because this involves hands on experience, using dummies, places are limited to 25. If you would like to reserve a place please email: parishclerk@trimley-st-martin.org.uk or telephone 01394 448844. This will be popular so don't delay. If demand is high we will try to arrange for another session later in the year.

#### Christine's Club

Why not take a break and drop in at Christine's Club for tea, coffee and conversation? All are welcome to come along and meet old friends and new. The Club meets at the Methodist Church Hall on the second Tuesday of each month from 2pm to 4pm.

#### Felixstowe Embroidery Workshop

Do you like stitching, by hand or machine? A group who like creating textile art meets at Trimley Memorial Hall from 10am to 1pm on the second Tuesday of each month except August. The group has a mixture of beginners and experienced members and anyone interested in any form of textile art will be made very welcome. Workshops are mostly led by members with the occasional outside tutor. To find out more please pop in at any of the meetings or ring 01394 279705.

### **Highways and Byways**

#### **Parking Safely**

The Parish Council often receives comments from residents who are unhappy about parking in the village. Please make sure that you always park legally, safely and considerately. This means not parking on yellow lines; not double parking; not parking on corners or junctions; not parking too close to pedestrian refuges; not blocking driveways, not blocking pavements and not damaging verges. Inconsiderate parking can endanger other road users by reducing visibility or by making it impossible for emergency vehicles to get through.

Responsibility for civil parking enforcement in East Suffolk will soon pass from the police to the District Council. The Parish Council doesn't yet have full details of how East Suffolk will implement their new responsibilities, but it is likely that the village can look forward to a more active enforcement regime.

#### Good News for Pedestrians: A New Refuge for the High Rd

The Parish Council is delighted to have successfully obtained funding from East Suffolk's Play and Sport fund to provide a pedestrian refuge near to the Memorial Hall. This will make it much easier for pedestrians to cross the High Rd to reach play and sport facilities at the Hall, the Bowls Club and the Sports and Social Club. The installation will take place early this year.

#### **Problems with HGVs?**

Complaints are sometimes made about HGVs cutting through the village when the designated diversion route is not in force. Suffolk County Council works with freight and haulage companies to ensure that drivers use the most suitable roads and behave responsibly, but sometimes problems do occur and these can be reported via: <u>https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/lorry-management/report-a-heavy-goods-vehicle-incident/</u> If you do not have internet access 'phone: 0345 606 6171. Either way, please make sure that you have full details to hand including the name of the company concerned and the vehicle registration number.

#### Potholes

The Parish Council has been trying to get some action taken over the poor state of Mill Lane. Despite our efforts, and the help of County Councillor Stuart Bird, it seems that the situation will have to get worse before any repairs are made. Suffolk Highways have some fixed criteria for local roads like Mill Lane which mean that a pothole must be at least 40mm deep **and** at least 200mm in diameter before they will repair it. For the time being all that can be done is to keep an eye on the situation and report any pothole which meets Highways' criteria. To make a report online please go to highwaysreporting.suffolk.gov.uk/

#### Screening of Bridleway Bridge

Work has been underway recently to construct a protected area for the new trees which will grow to screen the bridleway bridge. We hope to see some trees planted very soon.

## Planning Matters

# Flagship Housing: Development of the site between Mill Lane and Seamark Nunn

Work is expected to start in March on this site which has planning permission for 69 dwellings, including a mix of houses and flats, open market properties and affordable housing. Flagship expect that the build will take about 18 months to complete.

In November the Flagship Project Manager delivered a presentation on the development to a meeting of the Parish Council Planning Committee. You can see more about this on the Parish Council website: <u>http://trimleystmartin.onesuffolk.net/assets/</u><u>Uploads/Minutes-13-November-2019.pdf</u> If you do not have internet access please contact the Parish Clerk if you would like to see a paper copy of the minutes.

## **Contacting the Parish Council**

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