

The Bridge

The bridleway bridge at Gun Lane opened on 2nd September with a delightful ceremony led by the children of Felixstowe Opportunity Group and beautifully described by our Local Recorder : <https://trimleystmartinrecordersblog.com/2019/09/03/the-bridge-a-big-bright-green-pleasure-machine/>

The structure may look out of place, but the view from the top is splendid. Sadly, some people, both adults and children, have been seen behaving with a serious lack of regard for safety. Please take care, and, if you have children, make sure that they understand the dangers.

If you are not able to visit in person, you can see photos from all stages of its construction on the Parish Council website at <http://trimleystmartin.onesuffolk.net/home/gallery/>. Thanks go to Robin Biddle who has photographed history in the making.

The Local Plan—Examination Hearing Programme

The programme of hearings is complete and the Inspector has gathered the information he needs to consider the soundness of the Plan. Thanks go to all those residents who participated at any stage of the consultation process. There will now be a lengthy wait before the outcome is made known.

And Finally ...

Would you prefer to receive Parish Pump via email? The Parish Council understands that not everyone has access to email and will not stop issuing paper copies to anyone who would like one, but if you would be happy with an electronic copy please tell the Clerk by email to parishclerk@trimley-st-martin.org.uk with the words Parish Pump in the subject line and your name and address in the body of the message. Your email address will be used only for the purpose of sending the Parish Pump and it will not be disclosed to anyone else. If you already receive your copy of the Parish Pump by email there is no need for you to do anything else.

The Parish Pump

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Highways and Byways

Time to Trim?

Have you checked to make sure that any trees and hedges on the boundary of your garden are properly cut back?

Overgrown hedges next to footpaths and roads are a serious nuisance for pedestrians who may be at risk of injury from thorns and branches. This is a particular problem for people who are visually impaired and for those living with mobility problems as well as for children. If the footpath is narrow pedestrians may be forced into the road: - dangerous for everybody and especially dangerous for wheelchair users or anyone pushing a pram or buggy.

Now that the main bird nesting season is at an end, it is an ideal time to check for late nesters and then do any work necessary to keep trees and hedges tidy.

Problem trees and hedges can be reported to Suffolk County Council using the following link <https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/roads-pavements-and-verges/report-a-highways-issue/>. If you do not have internet access you can make a report by telephone on 0345 606 6171.

If Suffolk Council agree that there is a problem, they will ask the owner to deal with it. If nothing is done, then they can serve a notice requiring action within 21 days. If necessary, they may go on to do the work themselves and then charge the owner.

Parish Council

Do you want to make a difference to *your* community?

Do you want to be part of a team working to provide a service for *your* community?

Do you want to be involved in decisions that affect *your* community?



We currently have vacancies for 3 Parish Councillors and are particularly interested in hearing from residents from all age groups and backgrounds. A diverse council is stronger & better equipped to represent the needs of the *whole* community!

So if you find yourself saying I couldn't be a Parish Councillor because -

*I'm too young (you just need to be over 18),
I only moved to the community a year or two ago,
I work full time and wouldn't have enough time,
I have children or dependants to care for,
I have disability issues and problems getting about,*
or

I just don't think I'd be able to.....

...then please email tsmpc.andersont@gmail.com and she will happily answer your questions about how much commitment is needed, how often we meet, projects that we get involved in, decisions we can and can't make and how you *can* make a difference.

Forthcoming Events

Art and Craft Fair

Trimley St Martin Memorial Hall, High Road, IP11 0RJ
on Saturday 26th October 10.00am until 4.00pm

A variety of artwork, ceramics, jewellery, cards, fabric toys, and more will be for sale at very reasonable prices.

A great opportunity to purchase a unique gift or treat yourself to something special.

Refreshments available throughout the day
Free entry, free parking

Update on Recent Events

Trimley St Martin Community Day on 6 July

Trimley St Martin Parish Council would like to thank residents and all organisation/clubs for supporting this new event. Judging on feedback, many found it very useful to be able to speak face to face with representatives of the various organisations present.

The East Suffolk Communities Team, who supported the event, were on hand for residents to find out, in an informal way, how to help shape the future of the village with a Neighbourhood Plan. The Team also assisted with the questionnaire that residents of the parish received.

At the last count over 120 completed forms had been received with at least two thirds adding helpful comments. The responses are being analysed and the results will be published soon.

Trimley Carnival

July's Trimley Carnival was a huge success with an excellent turnout to mark this special anniversary with the telltale theme of "50 Years Through The Villages". Yvonne Smart and Andrew Tetley certainly had their work cut out in choosing a winner from the many imaginatively decorated floats which took part as the parade made its way through the villages.

Tremlage Open Garden - in aid of Parkinsons UK

A huge thank you goes out to all who were able to come along. £1,050 was raised which was a magnificent result.