

Clerk - Feering Parish Council

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Feering Parish Council Update - November & December 2019

Christmas is just a week away and there's definitely a festive feeling in the air. It was fantastic to see so many people attend the Feering Community Centre Christmas Fete a few weeks ago, enjoying some Christmas shopping and even meeting Father Christmas. Well done to everyone involved in the organisation of the fete, it was a great event.

On Friday our youngest residents enjoyed a visit from Father Christmas and his friends from the Rotary Club who visited a number of roads around the village on his sleigh, and on Sunday we enjoyed a fantastic Christingle Service on Sunday 15th at All Saints Church.

Our offices will be closed for Christmas until Tuesday 7th January. Feering Parish Council would like to wish all residents of Feering a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



Full Council meeting held on 19 November 2019 at 7.30 pm

The Full Council meeting was held on 19 November 2019. Copies of the full minutes for the meeting can be found on the Parish Council Website.

During the meeting the following items were discussed:

- **Neighbourhood Plan** – It was agreed at the meeting to adopt the Neighbourhood Plan Design Code. This will be forwarded to BDC who will be asked to take this into material consideration for all planning applications which come in for Feering.
- **Raising Council Profile** – It was agreed at the meeting that Feering Parish Council will have a small stand at the Feering Community Association Christmas Fayre where residents can discuss any issues or concerns with Councillors. It was also agreed that a trial of monthly Councillor Surgeries should be set up starting from January.
- **A12 Consultation** – The consultation events were discussed at the meeting. The potential routes were discussed and the impact on the village was also discussed. Discussion was held around the potential loss of the junction at Kelvedon and how this could impact on Feering.
- **Finance** – The Council discussed the annual budget for the running of the Parish Council and the amount to be requested from Braintree District Council as part of the Council Tax precept. It was agreed that a figure of £63,667 should be requested.

Full Council meeting held on 10 December 2019 at 7.30 pm

The last Full Council meeting of the year was held on 10 December 2019. Copies of the full minutes for the meeting can be found on the Parish Council Website once they have been agreed at the following Full Council meeting.

During the meeting the following items were discussed:

- **Planning** – It was agreed that the Parish Council would send a representative to attend the BDC Planning Committee Meeting which was to be held on 17 December to stress the Council's objection to the layout and design of the 165 homes to be built on the Land at Inworth Road (19/01222/REM).
- **Parish Council Meeting Schedule** – it was agreed that the schedule of meeting dates would be published on the website and noticeboards for all meetings to be held next year, including the date of the Annual Parish Assembly.
- **Tree Survey** – It was agreed that the Council would look into assisting the Packhorse Bridge Society with the removal / remedial work of some trees at the Packhorse Bridge whilst the Council was undertaking their own tree work.
- **Finance** – It was agreed that the Finance section of the agenda would be moved to the beginning of the agenda so that public participants at the meeting would be able to hear the details of the Council's finances.

Councillor Surgeries

Feering Parish Council is looking to further engage with the parish and enable members of the community to access councillors more easily, to raise issues, put forward suggestions or seek clarification on important local concerns.

From January 2020 we will be trialling a monthly surgery at Feering Community Centre. The first date has been confirmed for Saturday 18th January 2020 at 10.30 am until 12.30 pm. Chairman Paul Lees and Vice-Chairman Claire Newton look forward to welcoming you to discuss any matters you may have relating to the parish.

Kelvedon & Feering Health Centre

Update

The most recent update from Kelvedon and Feering Health Centre can be found on our website. This update includes information on the new computer system, the nursing team and the new services being offered by the Health Centre. To read the full update visit [our website](#)



Land at Inworth Road

Braintree District Council met on Tuesday evening to discuss the 19/01222/REM application regarding the land at Inworth Road. Whilst the development is part of a strategic growth location, the Planning Committee agreed to defer the decision of this application to encourage the developer to engage with the community and Parish Council to design a better layout for the Inworth Road Site and also deal with the issues raised by the BDC Planning Committee.

The full meeting is available to view on the Braintree District Council [website](#)

Neighbourhood Plan

The Neighbourhood Plan is moving rapidly towards the Regulation 14 consultation in early Spring 2020. We will be keeping all members of the community up to date as we progress the plan through its statutory stages. Please like our social media pages and check our website for updates. Updates will also be put on the noticeboards and in the Parish Magazine.

Tree Survey

The Council has recently had a survey of all trees which are on the Parish Council's land. We have been informed through this survey that some trees will need to be felled. This work has already commenced but there will be others to come. The Council is intending to replace any tree that is felled, and we are currently looking into a scheme where 30 trees will be planted to replace the one tree which has been felled.



Closure of the Small Playing Field

The work to replair the small playing field has been very successful and the playing field is starting to look in good shape. We anticipate that the cordon around the area will remain in place until the end of December and the playing field will be back in action at the beginning of next year, subject to the weather and how the field beds in.

Braintree District Council Satisfaction Survey

Braintree District Council is asking residents for feedback via its annual customer satisfaction survey. This can be found inside BDC's "Contact" magazine, delivered through your door last month, or online at https://www.braintree.gov.uk/forms/form/773/en/customer_satisfaction_survey_2019-20_contact

The areas the council are asking for feedback on include refuge collections, parks and open spaces and council tax. The closing date for responses is 31st March 2020.

Active Essex Activity Finder

Are you interested in becoming more active? From walking to rugby, bowls to gymnastics and everything in between - the Active Essex Activity Finder is for you. Find the activity you want that is nearest to your home or place of work. Go to:

<https://sportsuite.activeessex.org/activity-finder>

If your activity or club is not listed please complete your details here - click on "sign up here":

<https://www.activeessex.org/activity-finder/>



Special Constables for Feering

We are working with Essex Police to recruit two Special Constables to work here in Feering. Special Constables are volunteer Police Officers who have the same police powers, uniforms and equipment as regular Police Officers but sacrifice their time on a voluntary basis. They do not get paid, but are reimbursed for expenses, and Feering Parish Council has allocated funding for the expenses of two Special Constables to work here in Feering.

To find out more about the role of Special Constable here in Feering or to apply for one of the roles please visit
<https://www.essex.police.uk/communityspecials>

Community Notices





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EXTENDED GP SURGERY HOURS

You can now get an appointment with a GP, nurse or other healthcare professional in the evening and on Saturday and Sunday

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