

Clerk - Feering Parish Council

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Feering Parish Council Update - January 2020

This is our first newsletter in 2020 so while the Christmas and New Year break does feel like a distant memory, we would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a Happy New Year.

Our year has started with a bang, and we held the first of our new monthly Parish Council Surgeries which was a great success. We will be hosting these sessions every month, and this is your opportunity to meet with the Parish Council to raise any issues you may have or give suggestions to the Parish Council team. The next surgery will be held on Wednesday 19 February at 8.00 pm until 9.30 pm at the Community Centre. Chairman Paul Lees and Cllr Lee Blackburn look forward to welcoming you to discuss any matters relating the parish.

At the beginning of the year, one of our councillors, Daniel Leach, stepped down so we have now given notice of a Casual Vacancy on the Parish Council. If you are

interested in becoming a Councillor on Feering Parish Council please get in touch with our Clerk by emailing clerk@feeringparishcouncil.gov.uk

This year also marks the 125th year of Feering Parish Council and over the next few weeks we will be announcing our plans for marking this anniversary.

Rivenhall Integrated Waste Management Facility Consultation

We have received the following information from the Environment Agency regarding the proposed incinerator at Rivenhall:

In our last public briefing note in January 2019, we informed you that Gent Fairhead & Co. Ltd have applied to us to vary their Environmental Permit for the Rivenhall Integrated Waste Management Facility (IWMF). We then held a period of public consultation period for that application.

After carefully considering the application, including all consultation responses, we are now proposing to accept the changes requested by the company. However, we'll only make our final decision after considering responses received during a further phase of public consultation. This consultation will run from 9 January to 6 February 2020.

Consultation responses can be made to online using this link. <https://consult.environment-agency.gov.uk/psc/co5-9df-gent-fairhead-co-limited2/>

Rivenhall Integrated Waste Management Facility
Proposed variation of the Environmental Permit



January 2020
What are we contacting you about?

In our last public briefing note (January 2019) we informed you that we had received an application from Gent Fairhead & Co. Limited ('the company') requesting a variation to the company's environmental permit for the Rivenhall Integrated Waste Management Facility (IWMP).

We can now advise you that we completed our technical assessment of the variation application just before Christmas. This briefing note is therefore to inform you of our proposed decision on the application together with how the public can make comments to us before we make a final decision.

What was the variation application for?

The company's variation application seeks to change current permit conditions (and associated design and operational details) in order to allow a reduction in the height of the incinerator stack from 58 metres to 35 metres (above surrounding ground level).

The application also seeks to apply stricter limits on emissions of oxides of nitrogen (so called NOx), sulphur dioxide and lower limits for certain heavy metals compared to those currently stipulated in the permit.

The company's application also seeks to change the primary means of controlling NOx emissions. At present, the permit requires the use of Selective Non-Catalytic Reduction (SNCR) for NOx abatement. The variation application proposes the use of an advanced SNCR system. An advanced system will optimise the reaction between ammonia dosing and NOx resulting in lower levels emitted from the plant in order to comply with the stricter limits.

We consulted the public on the variation application between 24 January and 21 February 2019. We received a total of 137 responses from members of the public.

What is our proposed decision?

After carefully considering the application over the last 12 months, including all received consultation responses, we are now proposing to accept the changes requested by the company.

We are of the opinion that the proposals will provide for an **equivalent level of environmental protection** as that afforded by the current permit. As a result, we are proposing to vary the current permit conditions to incorporate the requested changes.

Our draft decision document sets out in detail the reasoning for our proposed decision. The draft decision document also provides details of our consideration of those issues/concerns raised by the public during the consultation earlier this year.

What happens now?

We're holding a period of public consultation on our proposed decision **which starts on 9 January 2020 and will end on 6 February 2020.**

As we previously consulted the public at the time the application was received, we're now asking for comments specifically in relation to our proposed decision and the reasons provided in our draft decision document.

We can only consider public representations that are within our legal remit for determining the variation application. Should you have any comments or questions that relate specifically to planning issues for the IWMP, please contact Essex County Waste Planning Authority on 03330 139 808 or e-mail: mineralsandwasteDM@essex.gov.uk

As part of our public consultation, we will be holding a local drop-in event where members of the public will be able to ask our technical officers questions and/or discuss issues of concern.

The drop-in event will be held on:

Friday, 10 January 2020, between 2pm and 7pm at Rivenhall Village Hall, 54 Church Rd, Rivenhall, Witham CM8 3PH

How can I view the proposed decision and make comments?

The public can view our draft variation notice, draft decision document and also make comments on-line at:

<https://consult.environment-agency.gov.uk/psc/co5-9df-gent-fairhead-co-limited2/>

Please note that this link will only go 'live' from 9 January 2020.

Hard copies of the above documents and the variation application can also be viewed (by appointment) at our offices at Rivers House, Threshelfords Business Park, Inworth Road, Feering, CO5 9SE.

Consultation responses can also be sent to us by:

E-mail to: PS2publicresponse@environment-agency.gov.uk

Post to:
Environment Agency, Permitting & Support Centre, Land Team, Quadrant 2,
99 Parkway Avenue, Sheffield S9 4WF.

What happens after the consultation has closed?

We will carefully consider all the representations received during this consultation and will address any new issues raised by the public within a finalised decision document.

We will then make a final decision on the variation application and will inform the public of our decision.

Should you wish to view hard copies of the above information at our Feering office or wish to speak to one of our staff, please contact our Customers & Engagement Team in the first instance on 02030 255472 or by e-mail: enquiries_easlanglia@environment-agency.gov.uk

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Neighbourhood Plan

At the January Parish Council meeting held on 21 January 2020 the Feering Parish Council draft Neighbourhood Plan document was formally adopted. This document can now be found on the Parish Council's website.

This means that the Regulation 14 Consultation is underway. The Regulation 14 Consultation is an opportunity for you to read the plan (and supporting evidence) and make comments either via our online survey or paper survey which will be delivered through your door. There will be an exhibition at the Community Centre on Friday 7 February at 7.00 pm until 10.00 pm and on Saturday 8 February from 9.30 am until 1.00 pm where you will have the opportunity to speak to Councillors and members of the Neighbourhood Plan Team about the draft Plan and have your say on the Plan. There will also be copies of the draft Plan, Design Guide and the questionnaires located at various businesses throughout the village and at the Parish Council office.

The Consultation Period will finish on Sunday 29 March at 12.59 pm.

Full Council meeting held on 21 January 2020 at 7.30 pm

The Full Council meeting was held on Tuesday 21 January 2020. 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:

- **Neighbourhood Plan** – It was agreed that the Parish Council draft Neighbourhood Plan version 1.12 be adopted and progressed to Regulation 14. Leaflets and questionnaires will be delivered to all households and a consultation event will be held on 7th and 8th February.
- **War on Plastics** – it was agreed that an application would be submitted to the Braintree District Councillors Fund for assistance towards the purchase of a Water Refill point at the Community Centre.
- **125 Years of Parish Councils** – As 2020 marks the 125th anniversary of Parish Councils being formed it was agreed that the Parish Council would celebrate the anniversary. Suggestions were for a Cake to be made for the Parish Assembly, at the May Fayre the Parish Council would have a stall where old pictures of Feering would be displayed, showing the village over the last 125 years, we would discuss the possibility of a competition with the school to show what the village will look like in 125 years' time and possibly meeting with the Good Companions to find out about past village life and writing information about this.
- **VE Day Celebrations** – It was agreed that the Parish Council would look to commemorate the end of the Second World War and will investigate whether it is possible to purchase something for the village in commemoration from the Royal British Legion.
- **Parish Assembly** – It was agreed that the Parish Assembly would be held on Monday 11 May 2020 and that there would be key speakers and stalls showcasing the village groups.

Planning Committee Meeting held on 14 January 2020

The Planning Committee meeting was held on 14 January 2020. Minutes of this meeting will be available on the website once they are approved.

The following was considered:

- 19/02195/HH – Mageanda, 2A Sherwood Way
 - Rivenhall Integrated Waste Management Facility
 - 19/02307/HH – Threshelfords Cottage, Inworth Road
 - 19/02234/REM – Land North East of Inworth Road
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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

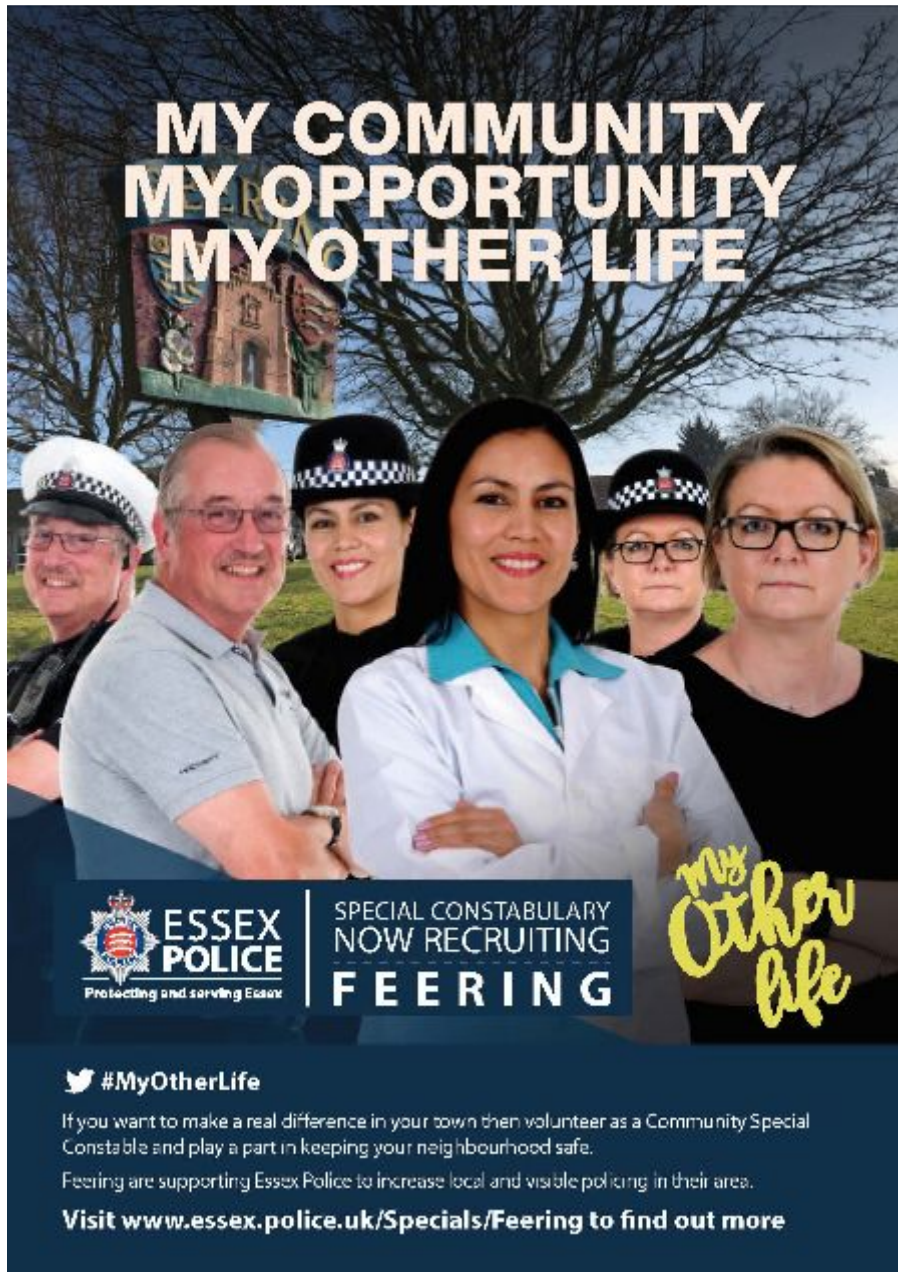
https://www.braintree.gov.uk/forms/form/773/en/customer_satisfaction_survey_2019-20_contact

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

Special Constable for Feering

If you are looking for a new challenge for 2020 why not apply to become a Special Constable to work here in Feering. We are working with Essex Police to recruit two Special Constables, who have the same powers as normal police officers, but give up their time for free. Whoever is recruited will specifically work here in Feering, tackling issues faced by local residents.

If you are interested in finding out more about the scheme or how you can apply to become a Special Constable here in Feering please contact the Clerk by emailing clerk@feeringparishcouncil.gov.uk



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If you want to make a real difference in your town then volunteer as a Community Special Constable and play a part in keeping your neighbourhood safe.

Feering are supporting Essex Police to increase local and visible policing in their area.

Visit www.essex.police.uk/Specials/Feering to find out more

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":

Community Notices





NHS
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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

To make an appointment, you can call your own GP Surgery during normal business hours or NHS111 out of hours

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In mid Essex 11x24



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