

Tivetshall Parish Council

## Clerks Report

The months of August is normally a very quiet one for me as clerk but this month has seen us implement the new Gov.uk email system that I hope all councillors will have installed on their personal devices as we will swap to this system by the end of September and the old outlook email system becomes defunct. I am slowly moving all contacts to the new system which is quite a laborious task.

My new main email address for correspondence is [clerk@tivetshall-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@tivetshall-pc.gov.uk) and request this is used at all times please.

I have also updated the website with a direct link when clicking on the email address to send emails direct to me on this email address.

Unfortunately, the work done on the possibility of installing EV charging points on the village hall carpark has stalled and will not be going ahead despite many hours of emails and meetings with EV Charging and the village hall committee as it is felt these are not suitable for the village by all concerned.

The upgrade of the pavilion will be started soon and will really enhance the look of the pavilion and we will also be creating a pallet area for sand bags for parishioners to take should any flooding issues occur.

We are looking to hold further meetings with landowners and sending letters to these to try and alleviate the flooding we invariable get in the winter months, but as yet the requests to meet have not been agreed but it is hoped these will take place asap.

One of the other big jobs I have undertaken is the upgrade of all our main policies and this has been undertaken and this year we thank NPTS (our training provider) for their help with the new Standing Orders and Financial Regulations as we are now not allowed to use NALC ones as we do not subscribe to them.

I would like to point out that all correspondence needs to come direct to me as by sending it to councillor's only takes up their valuable time (they are all volunteer's) and also delays any urgent emails I need to send to the relevant agencies urgently to get the works undertaken as soon as possible. This was highlighted by the reports sent to councillors on the Annual Meeting of the Parish late and myself getting the minutes wrong by me not understanding which reports go with which group. So please come direct to me at the clerk's email address [clerk@tivetshall-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@tivetshall-pc.gov.uk).

Finally, it's great to see the café so busy and everyone enjoying themselves at café and it really is a pleasure to go there for the morning and chat with parishioners on any issues they may have.

## **Handyman's Report**

Our handyman Nick is now back to full health and working hard around the village and is undertaking the upgrade of the pavilion which we hope will be done soon but is quite a big job and will benefit all parishioners and visitors to our parish with the new viewing area and seat allowing people to watch their children playing and give an area to rest also, plus if it rains can give good shelter.

