

Sheila Beeton writes -

OVERGROWN FOOTPATHS

A number of residents and visitors have expressed concern about the overgrown state of many of our footpaths. We explained in the last issue of this magazine that Essex County Council, which retains the statutory responsibility for footpaths, had been unwilling to commit to an agreement with the parish council which would have ensured additional cutting of parish footpaths. Residents are encouraged to report defects to Essex County Council's Public Rights of Way Team. We have put a link on the parish council's website under 'Walks' page to make it easier. Or you can e-mail:

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If you report a defect it would be very helpful if you could let the Clerk know so that we can monitor complaints.

PRIVATE PUMPING STATIONS

Anglian Water has asked us to let residents know that, from 1 October 2016, many private pumping stations automatically transferred to Anglian Water and became their responsibility, including all of the maintenance and the running costs. If anyone has a private pumping station that has not been registered with Anglian Water, they should contact them via their website: www.anglianwater.co.uk/privatepumpingstation

REWARD OFFERED TO WATER OUR FLOWERS!

Once again this year the Parish Council has arranged for seven planters and the boxes around the War Memorial to be planted up with colourful summer plants which we hope will be enjoyed by residents and visitors. Watering of these planters three times each week is vitally important. We are asking if anyone would be prepared to take on this task for a fee of £7.50 per 'water'. It might suit a young person recently liberated from A-level or GCSE exams. Please get in touch via the Clerk.

NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING will be on Monday 3 July at 7.30pm in the Duchy Barn. No meeting is scheduled meeting for August. The September meeting will be on Monday 4 September.

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