

Susan Boor

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Dear All

I will try to get to you tonight but I have three parish councils meetings starting with Withersfield so I might not get to you in time!

Just in case here is a very brief report.

I am chasing up with highways re the Elm Farm visibility problems

1. Suffolk County Council has now set its budget for the year at £520m. Council tax will increase by 2.99% and we will also be levying social care precept of 1% - the total increase is 1% less than last year. The budget for adult social care is £243m and we are spending £111m on children's services.

1. The fire service is consulting on a range of issues in its Integrated Risk Management Plan (IRMP) such as the size of crew needed for responding to road traffic accidents and whether they could change their response to automatic fire alarms. Currently a high proportion of call outs are to automatic fire alarms where there is no fire. The proposal is to respond to alarms from office and business premises during working hours only if the alarm is backed up by a telephone call. Premises where there are vulnerable people or the possibility of people sleeping - such as hospitals and care homes would still get a fire crew turning out in response to an automatic alarm without a telephone call. The fire service will be out meeting the public to explain the proposals and hear their views

- * 14 March Haverhill: Sainsburys, Haycocks Road
- * 21 March Newmarket: Tesco, Fordham Road
- * The consultation runs to Sunday 7 April 2019. The draft IRMP, supporting documents and online consultation are available at [www.suffolk.gov.uk<https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/council-and-democracy/consultations-petitions-and-elections/consultations/have-your-say-on-the-future-of-the-suffolk-fire-and-rescue-service/>](https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/council-and-democracy/consultations-petitions-and-elections/consultations/have-your-say-on-the-future-of-the-suffolk-fire-and-rescue-service/)

Suffolk is the first authority in the country to develop a county-wide quality standard on exercise referral schemes which enable GPs and health professionals to refer patients with long term health conditions to a fitness programme based within the community, to increase their physical activity levels as part of a healthy lifestyle - which is preferable to prescribing medication.

Research by Suffolk County Council's Public Health team has found that current Exercise Referral Schemes are not widely used in Suffolk by referrers. The reasons given for this have been a lack of awareness among GPs of referral schemes, variations in referral protocols and an uncertainty as to whether schemes are operating in line with recommended National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) guidelines.

The new quality standard for exercise referral in Suffolk has been developed with input from operators, GPs and health professionals, alongside QUEST, the Sport England recommended Continuous Improvement Tool for leisure facilities, to address these issues.

SCC highways won a grant of £4.4m from the Government for pioneering project to develop "smart" streetlighting. The project will see the introduction of streetlights equipped with wind vanes and solar panels so they generate rather than consume energy - highways' electricity bill is £2.3m and set to rise so anything that reduces the bill is very welcome.

The street lights will be equipped with sensors to measure traffic speed and volume; road temperatures - so gritting runs can be better targeted; whether nearby grit bins need filling and gullies emptying. They can also be adapted to act as wi-fi and 5G transmitters.

Yours with kind regards

Mary

VAS Summary Depden January 2019

VAS records number of vehicles and speeds in 5 minutes intervals and 5 mph ranges - not individual registrations etc. VAS shared with Hargrave and Ousden in rotation (4 weeks each village).

1 Depden Green (IP29 4BY) coming from A143, 19 Dec-31 Dec 2018

Average speed: 28.5 mph

Vehicles: 2,791

Average number of vehicles: 231/day

Fastest speed: 50mph (19/12/18 at 12:45)

40% of vehicles speeding (1,114)

Avg speeder 33.4 mph

85 percentile speed: 34 mph

Over 35 mph: 242 (9%)

Over 45 mph: 2

2 Depden Green (IP29 4BY) from Water Tower, 31 Dec 2018 – 12 Jan 2019

Average speed: 33.9 mph

Vehicles: 2,705

Average number of vehicles: 262/day

Fastest speed: 65mph (10/01/19 17:45)

75% of vehicles speeding (2,396)

Avg speeder goes 37.1 mph

85 percentile speed: 41.1 mph

Over 35 mph: 1387 (44%)

Over 45 mph: 169 (5%)