

Parish Report June 2019

Walsham-le-Willows Parish Council

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Highways Self Help Scheme - Suffolk Highways has launched a programme to enable certain types of works to be undertaken by Town and Parish Councils including: Sign cleaning, tree pruning, and grass verge cutting. Parishes would receive council support including training and equipment, and may carry out these tasks through contractors, volunteers or by purchasing services from SCC. Further details and joining directions for the Community Self Help are at:

www.suffolk.gov.uk/communityselfhelp

New County Exercise Referral Scheme Quality Standard - has been developed by SCC Public Health and partners to encourage participation by GPs and patients. The Exercise Referral Schemes (ERS) enables GPs and health professionals to refer patients with long-term health conditions to a fitness programme within the community which adheres to National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) guidelines. Enquire with your GP if interested.

Energy Grants - A range of energy and environmental funding for community projects can be found at; <http://www.greensuffolk.org/green-communities/grants-and-funding-opportunities/>

Walsham Le Willows Annual Parish Meeting

District Councillor's Report

New Administration: Rick Meyer was returned as the elected representative for the Walsham Ward in the recent Mid Suffolk District Council elections, held in May. Due to Ward boundary changes he replaces Jessica Fleming who remains Walsham Le Willows' County Representative. The new administration which was formalised at the full Council meeting on 20 May 2019, consists of 16 Conservative, 12 Greens, 5 Liberal Democrats and 1 Independent member.

Responsibilities: RM has been allocated the following responsibilities in addition to representing Ward members:

- MSDC Holdings Ltd
- Stowmarket Estates Ltd
- MSDC Development Control Committee B
- Associations of Suffolk Museums
- Trustee Museum of East Anglia

Availability: Once all necessary electronic support is in place RM's contact details will be displayed on the village noticeboard. If Ward members need his help or wish to discuss a matter of concern they are encouraged to get in touch.

Issues / Opportunities

School Visit. RM will be accompanying the local MP Jo Churchill on a visit to Walsham Primary School on 14 Jun 19.

PCSOs: Working in partnership with Suffolk Constabulary, Mid Suffolk District Council is currently funding 2 PCSOs to deal with a range of activities including parking related matters, speeding and low level anti-social behaviour and will also be available to drop in on local businesses and community organisations across the Mid Suffolk District. Should issues arise in Walsham Le Willows we can bid for their support.

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