

County Councillor Report



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Walsham-le-Willows Parish Council

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COVID Updates - As of 8 Oct East and West Suffolk have been placed on an East of England watchlist by Public Health England due to a rise of Covid-19 cases. Areas which are seeing a rise of cases are Bury St Edmunds, Haverhill, Newmarket, Beccles, Bungay, Felixstowe and Lowestoft.

COVID support line – a new phonenumber has been set up as of 1st October to help access information or support relating to debt, benefits, housing or employment. The phonenumber, **0800 068 3131**, is open from 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday.

Suffolk Corona Watch – Suffolk Public Health has set up a dedicated web site available on www.healthysuffolk.org.uk/jsna/coronawatch.

Highways – Correspondence is noted.

Quiet Lanes Programme - Suffolk County Council is promoting new Quiet Lane designations using the Suffolk 2020 Fund. A Quiet Lane is a nationally recognised designation of single-track low usage road suitable for walking, cycling and horses with limited access for motorised vehicles¹. Suffolk County Council is asking parish and town councils to register interest on Quiet Lanes Suffolk [website](#) Once registered, the situation details will be explored by the Quiet Lanes Suffolk team.

Fast EV Charging Points - Suffolk County Council along with Plug-in Suffolk is funding new EV fast-charging points which may be suitable for rural towns and villages. These sites do not require registration, membership or apps - drivers simply park and charge using contactless payment. For further information on this programme or to apply to join the Plug-in Suffolk network, visit www.greensuffolk.org/plug-in-suffolk

School Year 2021 primary and secondary school applications open - Parents and carers can now apply for primary and secondary school places for September 2021. The deadline for applications for secondary school is Saturday 31 October 2020 and for primary schools it is Friday 15 January 2021. Parents and carers should apply for a school place online at suffolk.gov.uk/admissions

¹ CPRE Guide - https://www.cpre.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/quiet_lanes_1.pdf