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There are 8 community partnerships in East Suffolk Council area. Some are more proactive than others and ours is considered as being very active.

More details of Community Partnerships – what they are and what they do can be found on the website:

<https://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/community/community-partnerships/>

Ease the Squeeze – various initiatives are underway, focusing mainly on West Kesgrave & Rushmere which are the poorest parts of our partnership area.

Road Safety Week was very successful – nowhere else in England did as much as we did in our 30 sq mile area.

BRAKE have asked us to consult with them on how to run future events.

More primary schools participated this year – 5 of our 10 primary schools were involved.

Banners were placed at 7 sites where 170,000 vehicles drove past during the week.

Andy Joliffe, Communities Officer and Pauline Proctor, Chairperson of SAVID attended an event at Otley College which was reported in the CP Newsletter

CP are providing funding for a number of schools in our area for Bikeability (previously Cycling Proficiency)

Future initiatives

We will be focusing on Householder responsibilities – ESC has developed a new mapping tool showing all land owned by ESC. A link will be forwarded at a future date.

Funding of Projects

Funding was agreed for a number of projects including Tuddenham St Martin Playing Field Garden Project (£700 which has been received).

C P Newsletter

For information on projects being undertaken by the various CPs, including our own (and a photo of Pauline) please read the CP December newsletter.

<https://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/assets/Community/Community-partnerships/CP-Newsletter-Issue-Two.pdf>

Annual CP Forum

The 2nd Annual CP forum – involving all the CPs will be held on 3rd March. Unfortunately, this event was booked up very quickly and I have been unable to reserve a place. I have asked for any minutes/notes to be sent to me.

Next Meeting

The next meeting cannot be scheduled until after the May 2023 elections

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Road Signage

We are still awaiting action on additional road signage recommendations. I have emailed Elaine Bryce separately about this and can up-date at the meeting.

Speedwatch and enforcement.

Speedwatch has not been active through the Winter months with one recent session on one of the milder days weatherwise. 8 Drivers exceeding speeds were recorded on that date with a maximum speed Of 40mph. I am not aware of Police enforcement being active over the winter months.

SID's

The Main Road SID is operating reasonably reliably but traffic volume makes considerable demand on the battery so a new charger has recently had to be purchased. Our rota for the shared SID continues and the device will next be in Tuddenham during April.

SAVID has met once since the last PC meeting. We continue to work on establishing a system to analyse the SID data gathered across the many member villages and to research the best option for the purchase of a solar powered SID.

ANPR scheme. Tuddenham is now being included in the roll-out of the pilot scheme and the ANPR device was located on the Grundisburgh Road post for a week at the end of February. I had requested the Main Road site be used but the Highways organise of the scheme made an error and has apologised this did not happen. He has advised that he will include this site in the next rota due out early June.

Quiet Lanes Project As informed at the last meeting the Westerfield Lane route which is part of the Wave 4 of the project has been passed to receive Quiet Lane status. I have been working with the Highways engineer leading this project and agreed a location for the entry from the village end to be a new post for the 30mph sign in High Street on the left on the bank by the Old Mill House. This is the best option that can be made given problems in locating a sign in the vicinity of the Old Stores. Signs when available will need volunteers to put these up. This will need to be co-ordinated by us.

Road Safety Forum and East Suffolk Community Partnerships Budget Tuddenham is benefiting from participating in the activities of the Road Safety Forum and East Suffolk Community partnerships continues to have Road safety as one of it's priorities for action. Common concerns are being identified and the activities organised during Road Safety week have been complemented by the charity BRAKE.

Wheelie Bin stickers. As discussed at the last PC meeting, I agreed to follow this up. Other commitments have taken priority but I am happy to continue with what was agreed at our December meeting if alongside other priorities for the PC this is still agreed.
Pauline Procter March 2023

12. Playground & Playing Field improvements

As reported to Parish Councillors via email, East Suffolk Council (ESC) have credited our account with £700.00 from the Community Partnership fund for the Garden project following a successful application submitted by Mrs Ellinor. This is in addition to the ESC Enabling Communities grant of £1,500 which we have received towards the same project from our District Councillor, Mr Hedgley. These amounts are also in addition to the grants for the additional All ability play equipment which has now been installed at the playground (the first phase of the playground/playing field project). The total of the All-ability equipment project amounts to £12,129.18 (£3,561.76 from the ESC Boost Grant Scheme & £8,567.42 from the ESC Outdoor Playing Space Fund). Part of the ESC Outdoor Playing Space fund is still to be received but will include payment of the materials needed for installation (cement, timber, etc), and will also be used for better signage. There have been no labour costs incurred for this project, which has been completed by Mr Lugo and Mr Bird and their work has enabled us to secure 4 new substantial items of play equipment rather than just 1 item for the grants received, if we'd proceeded with the supply and fit basis.
Parish Clerk 2nd March 2023.

Garden project update – Mar 2023

Funding

The costing estimates are:

24 sleepers @£40	£960
Bolts etc	£100
Soil	£350
Bark	£190
Plants	£500
Misc (fertiliser etc)	£100

Total estimate £2,200

We have received funding for the project which has now commenced.

Unfortunately, since we put together the costings last autumn prices have increased. The sleepers which we costed at £40 now cost £50 and due to the slope of the site we will need 27 rather than the 24 originally planned. Fortunately, due to the excellent negotiating skills of Jim & David we received a discount on the first batch and I am hopeful that we will manage to keep within budget – if not I shall apply to Community Partnership for the shortfall which I am sure will be modest.

Progress The first row of sleepers have been laid & fixed by Jim and David. The remainder are due to be delivered this week. David will coordinate the installation work whilst Jim is away. Hopefully we can start planting in early April with a view to completing the project by the Coronation weekend



Woodland area It was mentioned previously that we would like to plant bulbs in this area. Roger has applied to ESC for a bundle of 500 bulbs and it is hoped that this project can benefit by being allocated a batch for planting.

Signage The signage has not yet been ordered – installation would not have been possible due to weather conditions and as Jim & David were busy installing sleepers. It is intended to order and fit the new sign in April

Many thanks again to all those involved.

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Information emailed to Parish Councillors from the presentations from SALC and East Suffolk Council included the following:

- Thursday, 16th March 2023 - the pre-election period (PEP) starts and then lasts until the close of polls at 10pm on Thursday, 4th May 2023.
- All existing councillors MUST submit new nomination papers if they would like to stand for a new term of office.
- Parish Clerks have access to an up-to-date copy of the Electoral Register (published 01 March 2023) to provide the correct Electoral numbers for completion of the nomination papers.
- Thursday, 16th March 2023 - the earliest date to deliver (must be by hand delivery), the completed nomination papers to the District Council office (Woodbridge).
- Tuesday, 4th April 2023 at 4pm - the latest time and date to hand deliver the completed nomination papers to the District Council office (Woodbridge).
- 17th April 2023- Voter registration deadline.
- Thursday, 4th May 2023 – Day of Poll (7m to 10pm)
- Friday, 5th May 2023 – Election Count and Declaration of Result
- Re Exiting & Newly Elected Councillors:
 - All outgoing councillors retire Tuesday 9th May 2023
 - Persons elected take office on fourth day after election, which is Tuesday, 9th May 2023.
- The Annual Parish Council meeting will take place within 14 days of the 9th May (**for Tuddenham St Martin, it will be 16th May 2023**).
- Each Councillor will need to sign a Declaration of Acceptance of Office before the start of the first Parish Council meeting after the Election (the Clerk will bring blank versions to the meeting). The form may

however be signed later if a Councillor is absent from the meeting and the Council has consented to the delay.

- Each Councillor needs to sign if agreeable to be summoned to meetings via email (this should be done at the same time as the Declaration of Acceptance (the Clerk will draft a document for the meeting)).
- All Councillors will need to complete their online Register of Interests before 1st June 2023.
- All Councillors will need to complete an Election expenses form (including for Nil expenses) and the deadline for return is 1st June 2023 (Election costs, if any, are incurred not refunded)
- The UK Government has now introduced a requirement for voters to show photo ID when voting at a polling station including local elections. There will be an awareness campaign to publicise this, and people will be able to apply for a 'Voter authority certificate' if they do not possess a photo ID.