

Clerk's report Tto Holbrook Parish Council Meeting Monday 18th December 23

- The defibrillator has been installed at Admirals Quarter. It needs checking regularly and a report logging to verify the checks. It has been registered with the ambulance service.
- There is a broken fence post around the children's play area
- Pieces of the fort at the top of the slide are being broken off and put in the woods or elsewhere on the Reade field.
- Courses attended: Scribe: how to reach hard to reach communities, SALC Conference.
- Still trying to find a solution to the bin outside the Academy back entrance.
- Received a telephone call expressing concern about the hedge by the Compasses. Have written to the agents to see if they can get the owner to trim it back. However, recently noticed that someone has trimmed the worst part of the hedge, making the path more passable.
- River water tests continue to be logged, showing variable quality.
- Completed the community energy survey from Suffolk Climate Change Partnership.
- Following a concern expressed about the speed of traffic near the crossing by Holbrook Academy, the police safety team confirm that they patrol that area on a regular basis and have supplied statistics which are attached. They feel no further action is required at present.
- The thermal imaging camera has been collected. So far there have only been 4 requests. No images have been taken so far. A spreadsheet will be circulated in the next few days.
- Applications for the Bus Improvement Scheme need to be submitted by 20th December. Currently there has been some public interest in Erwarton and Harkstead for a connection to the 92 in Holbrook. So far we haven't received any response from the article in the Parish Papers, publication of which was a little late this month.
- Unfortunately the Parish Council laptop is currently unusable. Many hours have been spent on the phone to HP Support, without a great deal of success. It seems that, if they agree to update the warranty, it will take 2-3 weeks, which is obviously quite a crucial time lag. Currently working as best I can on my rather ancient Apple MacBook Air and saving to USB sticks. I don't know if there may be a spare reconditioned machine anywhere on the peninsula which could be utilised in the meantime!