

Chairman's report January 2025

Welcome to 2025

As we had to cancel December meeting as unable to form quorum due for a number of reasons several councillors unable to attend, it really is essential more people volunteer to offer some of their time to our parish.

Councillor vacancies

Although the situation as above does not occur that often, with 4 vacancies it leaves the council vulnerable to cancelling further meetings during 2025. I sincerely hope we can look forward to a full complement of councillors very soon.

High Road Road closure 20th-31st January

When receiving the initial newsletter from Belway I spotted the Clerk for Trimley St Mary had not been included. This set alarm bells ringing as to which other people and organisations had not been informed and set about flagging this up to Walton, St Mary, Travel Watch.

You will note from Councillor D'arville's report there was much to be done all due to lack of communication to First Bus etc.

My thanks to Cllr D'arville, Carly, and others, for trying to sort matters out. Let us hope it has been a learning curve for those that failed to deal with **all** matters affected by any road closures in the future.

If public transport is not being seriously addressed when roads are closed then it makes a mockery of the the strategy for residents to walk, cycle or use public transport rather than their cars.

Additional road closure news - A14

Spotted sign at junction 59 slip road displaying road closure of A14 for 3 nights as from Monday 13th January 8.00pm until 6.00am. This affects traffic travelling toward Ipswich

Missing dog bin

This is the one that was in situ outside Bellway site. Reported to Carly that following work along pedestrian walkway said bin has not been reinstated. Carly has contacted site manager. Outcome awaited.