

Trimley St Martin Parish Council

Chairmans Report

July 2025

Memory Lane Steering Group meeting

*Trimley St Martin has 25 people attending meetings on a regular basis.

Felixstowe Group has 30 regular attendees

No waiting list at either Group but may need to be introduced should numbers increase beyond a comfortable capacity.

*More volunteers needed to cover illness/holidays as unfortunately on some sessions Group short on helpers. Will put on Facebook plus article in freebie magazines.

Carly - please can appeal for volunteers go in PC Flyer/Spotlight magazines

(Poss article on volunteering in general - thanking Fete volunteers/Councillor vacancies ?)

***Funding**

Donations from Suffolk County Council/Felixstowe dance and Movement group/C & A Woolwork Kirton Craft Group. A further donation presentation at Felixstowe Trades and Labour Club forthcoming mid July.

Bake sale arranged at Willis Fabre, Ipswich on 30th July

***Activities**

Many current activities are booked at no cost to Group.

With healthy bank balance it will enable further fresh activities to be funded

Various ideas tabled for new activities. Case of watch this space!

***Administration**

Homeinstead continue to provide administration free of charge including DBS checks, references, training, risk management.

PROW

*Footpath next to Memorial Hall. Part maintenance of hedging carried out by Bowls Club. Chairman contacted me about Bowls Club installing a lockable gate to gain easier access to dispose of clippings. Advised Chairman to contact Carly about adding to agenda.

*Loompit Lake PROW - more cyclists using track. Unfortunately only a few consider walkers.

*Ongoing speeding issues.

Highways

*T junction High Road/ Morston Hall. Pleased grass cut back. Not sure why not all the way along or on verge along fence, especially considering the cycleway in place albeit not great due to trees causing land heave

*Traffic lights on High Road due to gas leak after installation of new pipes. This caused great congestion, especially for emergency vehicles.

Lights left in place after work completed requiring a phone call to remove.

Environment matters

Concern expressed by number of residents regarding idle running of vehicles (many without an occupant) by various companies carrying out utility works plus others such as Suffolk Highways

Memorial Hall

At last air conditioning units given the go ahead from planning. Units will be installed in August.