



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Essex County Council has signed up to host the event for three more years, on the same Sunday of each May. The route has been agreed - it will be the same as last year here.</li> <li>• After last year Ride London liaised with councils and residents: survey published 6/2/24.</li> <li>• The committee know there was some negative impact on businesses and individuals and stewards caused issues. But some businesses had good results, support funds are available and plans are afoot for 2024.</li> <li>• There were access issues for many: Ride London have created draft community access plans. CD aware that people were impacted in Stapleford Abbots in particular.</li> <li>• CD offered to come back to meetings for follow-up questions – distributed contact details to all.</li> <li>• Church: The church service will fit around the event. In 2023, they got a grant for a community challenge and would like to repeat, but the application form was not available. CD says they are and will supply.</li> <li>• In this area it is a one day event 26/5/24. But there are other events on Friday and Saturday further north and they do not affect Stapleford Abbots.</li> <li>• Accidents: Last year in Hook Lane, an aggregate lorry crashed and the rescue vehicle damaged the newly repaired tarmac, leaving a huge hole – ECC and Ride London were notified but repairs were poor and at least three accidents happened there that day. CD urged anyone seeing anything like this to contact him.</li> <li>• Ride London officials survey the course all year and work with ECC Highways to highlight works that should be done to facilitate the event. Ride London pay ECC to do works if they don't do it any way. All are urged to speak to CD directly regarding issues arising.</li> <li>• Rabbits Pub would like more bike stands and sent thanks for the toilets supplied last time. Chalk signage will be put up to point riders to the Rabbits to boost business - bigger banners will be put up as well.</li> <li>• CD invited ideas from town perspective – he is working with the school (Bikeability/ banner competition)</li> <li>• Cllr Brady observed that metal signs for the race had been thrown over hedges and were not collected when the roads opened as ECC staff who should have picked them up couldn't find them.</li> <li>• CD advised that health care and farms concerns will be addressed, also issues with stewards.</li> <li>• JJ raised the issue of village signs which are twisted and damaged, and Hook Lane signs that fell down which the Parish Council have been trying to get fixed for quite some time. The grass area at the mouth of Hook Lane where people can sit during the race is overgrown so Parish Council requested to have the grass cut as this is a good amenity for the village all year. CD to inform ECC.</li> <li>• There will be an app for all participants which will mark Stapleford Abbots out – hopefully they might come back at another time and enjoy the countryside.</li> <li>• All urged to write to Chris Davey about what they need – please ask Clerk for details.</li> </ul> <p><b>Matters arising:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Speedwatch: duty planned 9/2/24. Cohort confirmed site codes and location co-ordinates with CSW HQ.</li> <li>• Highways recap: Works at Tysea Hill., Murthing Lane, outside The Ivys and it Tysea Brook. Parish Council has lobbied ECC, the MP and the police many times so we appreciate these results, done as an emergency case. Noted the area featured in local press:“Is this the biggest crater in Essex?”</li> <li>• New reflective bollards at Passingford Bridge: thanks to ECC Highways, now we need new bollards on Stapleford Road. Noted that Passingford Bridge abuts Stapleford Tawney; Cllr Brady has reported issues there too. JJ reported perpetual flood at the roundabout but has been told it is not of high importance.</li> <li>• Footpath from school to High House Farm: overgrown, noted if it is a numbered path, we can get hedges cut. It is numbered but is classed as roadside, so does not fall under Footpaths group remit: it is ECC. Footpaths group asked to attend to it, but were not allowed. JJ to speak to High House foreman.</li> <li>• New bungalows on Stapleford Road: builders have churned up footpath, need to restore it if it was a condition. JJ to see builders and developers, Clerk to write.</li> <li>• Defibrillator despatched: paid and match-funded. New shop owners are community-minded re. installation. Suggested that there may also be refurbishment to the flat above the shop.</li> <li>• Road sign repairs: write to new contact at ECC Jennifer Boxall, ask about ways to achieve these.</li> <li>• Gutteridge Lane Triangle: planning permission rubric and costs are in hand. JJ researching drawings. Noted that the path needs attention, and the property line should be delineated. JJ to as land registry.</li> <li>• Ride London grants: Church to apply re. community challenge, date is 19/5/24 at Lambourne End Centre.</li> <li>• Events: Barn dance 24/2/24 – Table top sale 9/3/24 – Quiz night 12/4/24.</li> <li>• Church refurbishment: Toilets plan progressing with Diocese. All parties happy with plans including Victorian Society. Once permission is granted, fundraising to start, IRO £100k. All ideas considered.</li> </ul>			
1130/24	<b>Finance</b>			
	<p>Transactions for the month – All agreed and actioned.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="311 1843 1412 1872"> <tr> <td data-bbox="311 1843 571 1872">E THOMAS</td> <td data-bbox="571 1843 1236 1872">CLERK</td> <td data-bbox="1236 1843 1412 1872">440</td> </tr> </table> <p>Defibrillator has been paid £750 to be match-funded, quotes for installation to follow.</p>	E THOMAS	CLERK	440
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1131/24	<b>Planning</b> (Development Control & Enforcement Team)			

	<p>EPF/0099/24 1 Kensington Park, Oak Hill Road, Stapleford Abbots RM4 1AF Stapleford Abbots Parish Council would like to query this application as we require clarification and further information.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The house is said to be subsiding and has a drainage issue, but the trees do not appear to disturb the patio. We suspect this could come down to bad construction on the extension</li> <li>• We ask if the applicants intend to clear the trees from the garden - the application states "Remove (fell) Field Maple stems to near ground level and treat stump to inhibit regrowth. Remove (fell) Ash stem adjacent to pond as Future Risk and remove regrowth as it emerges"</li> <li>• There are other applications at this address but no TPOs</li> <li>• The trees and hedge were there before the extension, passed as EPF/0257/11</li> <li>• There was a tree reduction application 10 years ago which was approved with conditions (EPF/2343/14)</li> </ul>
1132/24	<b>Parish Council Projects</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Seniors lunch:pencilled in for April, JJ to find when the village hall is free.</li> <li>• Gutteridge Lane: to set up a working group and get land registry report. Clerk to chase Section 106 update</li> </ul>
1133/24	<b>Correspondence</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clerk was copied into letters from 2x residents about potholes - circulated</li> <li>• Chair sent email to MP about roads - circulated</li> <li>• New contact at ECC/ Ringway Jacobs - Jennifer - emailed about potholes and signs (for a quote). She says we must go via the website or contact ECC councillor.</li> <li>• Abridge resident emailed, looking to contact PC Smith, about gas canisters dumped on side of road (Hoe Lane, New Road) – signposted him to PC Smith</li> </ul>
1134/24	<b>Meetings of Outside Bodies and Training Courses</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clerk attended Local Councils Liaison Committee which was predominantly showcasing Qualis.</li> <li>• Clerk to attend zoom forum on Election Briefings 12/2</li> <li>• Cllr Atkinson to undertake Nimble course – Standards in public life.</li> </ul>
1135/24	<b>Highways</b>
	<p>Covered: Clerk to update spreadsheets of defects reported.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Landowner at Kensington Park contacted in regards to clearing footpath – noted natural boundary, a chestnut fence behind the hedge. Suggested that Cllr Philip, EFDC may be able to advise – Clerk to write.</li> <li>• Noted that Biffa contract with EFDC ends this year, EFDC will collect waste themselves thereafter.</li> <li>• Minerals: ECC are reviewing minerals local plan. Public onsultation across Essex with 112 sites earmarked. Potential spot for gravel extraction earmarked near Abridge, Passingford Bridge and Theydon Mount. Gravel would be dug out and backfilled with refuse - fears of flooding and health and safety. Stapleford Abbots would be affected by site traffic. Response to ECC by 19/3/24, Clerk to liaise with Theydon Mount Parish Council and others nearby.</li> <li>• Caravans enforcement case: Clerk to chase again, noted that there is a new Enforcement Officer.</li> </ul>
1136/24	<b>Matters for future Agendas</b>
	Minerals Extraction and refuse backfill
1137/24	<b>Open Forum</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bus shelters: At village sign on the green and outside Rabbits. Resident suggested that they are looking dilapidated. Parish Council are responsible for them, Clerk to get refurbishment quote from Matt Bates.</li> <li>• Footpaths: One large project for the Footpaths Team in the last month, executed in conjunction with the West Essex Small Projects Team: clearance of the bridleway 34, which comes off where the end of Footpath 7 and bridle way 28 also called Curtis Mill Lane meet. The bridle way takes you through the woods towards Navestock. A team of five people spent one day clearing rubble, fly tipping/builders waste and vegetation; P3 Lead, CB and the Footpaths Team would like to pass on many thanks to all involved, as would the Parish Council. Two Waymarker posts: noted one at path 32 on Stapleford road knocked down by a car accident and one loose at the church added to the schedule as is a new Waymarker at the entrance to bridleway 34 on the Stapleford Abbots side.</li> <li>• Thank you to Phil for returning Tommy statues, suggested to put them up for the D-Day Anniversary.</li> </ul>
1138/24	<b>Time &amp; Date of next meeting</b>
	Meeting closed 21.01. Next meeting March 5 2024 at 19.15.

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