



COGGESHALL PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk Report: December 2022 – Philippa Potter

- The Village Hall boiler was finally repaired and is working well at present. However, we still need to progress investigations around its replacement, as the equipment is now very old.
- The Chapel: The tree work and roofing works have been completed and the building is now weatherproof. The fallen tiles were replaced, however, the nails on the tiles are gradually rusting through, causing further tiles to slip. Therefore the current health and safety measures in place will remain as they are until we are able to put up a tile guard along the eaves. The Clerk is currently obtaining a quote for this work.
- A new Parish Council van has been purchased.
- The Village Clock has undergone its annual service and is still in very good working order.
- The Responsible Financial Officer and I have been working on the budget for 2023/24 alongside the Finance Committee. This process has been especially difficult this year, with rising prices, inflation and cuts to the Council's income.
- The Car Park Working party have met and are reporting their recommendations to Full Council at the December meeting.
- The new Coggeshall parish magazine has been commissioned and is pencilled in for first publication in March/April 2023. The Working Party are meeting to pull together all the ideas and content for the first issue.
- East Anglia GREEN - EIA Scoping Notification and Consultation (Pylons): The CPC response to this consultation was submitted at the beginning of December.
- Market: There is a new bread stall at the Thursday market, which we hope will be a long-term addition, following the departure of the previous company.
- The snow and freezing weather brought some different tasks to our grounds staff over the last week, where we worked hard to assist in many areas of the village to clear the ice from the pavements, car park and village hall.
- CPC have also assisted with a number of highways and street light issues over the last month, some of which have been resolved and some which are continuing to be chased.

Philippa Potter
Parish Clerk
20 December 2022