

District Councillor report November

Grants

CAF

I understand that there is likely to be another CAF in the New Year with a 2 month window for an application. The CAF fund is likely to be in the region of £150k.

Members grant is likely to be doubled to £2000.

So now is a time to think about a project/s that could be put forward.

Warm Homes

SNC have funds to help private home owners and private landlords, (social landlords have access to different funds) insulate their homes, provide air heat source pumps and help those who are in position where they experience energy poverty.

There is of course a list of criteria that one has to fulfil before being accepted onto the scheme e.g. in receipt of benefits.

Listed buildings and those with clay lump construction may be excluded due the cost of carrying out the retrospective work.

Full details are on the SNC website with an application form, I am told everyone that applies will be considered and spoken to regarding their individual needs.

The team responsible will come out to give a presentation to the Parish Council and residents if required.

Im asked to ask you if you are aware of anyone who could benefit from this scheme, if so send details to the Warm Homes Team.

Licensing

SNC licensing policy has been updated and is due to go to the Full Council for acceptance.

Free replacement Septic tank scheme

I have been asked me about this scheme which is currently running in South Norfolk, It concerns Nutrient Neutrality and is to stop untreated water reaching the River Wensum and Norfolk Broads. Unfortunately for Tibenham it does not sit in the Wensum and Broads basin and is therefore not eligible for access to this scheme. We all know the River Waveney is polluted and it feeds into the Broads but Natural England did not think it contributes a threat.

Pylons and Solar Farms

Have you or anyone else registered for the Inspectorate inspection of the Norwich Tilbury pylon line and asked to be heard at the enquiry as a Rule 6 member. I have.

The East Pye solar for has opened its public target consultation running from 22-10-25 to 26-11-25 look online to find links to it.

Be aware there is another Solar Farm proposed and being consulted on Tas Valley it will run alongside East Pye and surround Aslacton, Tacleston and villages all the way to Mulbarton. They were totally unaware of Norfolk Gliding Club or Priory Farm until I told them.

Saffron Housing

I know there are Saffron properties in Tibenham and that the PC has had problems with them attending to issues in the vicinity of the Community Centre, however I was at a meeting recently where the new head of housing Ann Brighton and head of Saffron assets Mark Winstanley were present. 2 good names to have, who indicated that they would help to sort problems out.

James Easter