

APM and Pulham St Mary Parish Council

Chairman Report – 19th April 2024

We have had a busy year on the Parish Council with many positives for our village.

Ongoing upgrading of playpark equipment, hexagonal seating installed.

Lovely to see the Daffodil bulbs planted in previous years coming life to enjoy in the Spring. We can now see the trees developing on South Green given a woodland feeling when walking your dog.

We are lucky to have many local footpath walks including The Platinum Walk enjoyed by dog walkers.

Village maintenance is on-going and the main talking point is the recent flooding issues, unfortunately this is taking a long time to resolve, many government agencies are now involved to rectify this situation.

We are now in the process of an exciting project “Man Shed” chaired by our District Councillor Clayton Hudson. This is a project for the whole of our community.

The Pennoyer Centre have put on more events with the local community in mind including “A Warm Space” free of charge in the winter months which is an important amenity for our village, Photography and Felt Making sessions, Book Club, Film Night, Evening Inn, Halloween and Christmas was successful seeing most of the village children enjoying crafts and Santas visit. I would like to thank the Trustees and Volunteers for a wonderful local amenity.

Trailblazers is also based at The Pennoyer Centre during Winter Months and Pulham St Mary Church during Spring and Summer offering crafts, games and refreshments for 5 – 10-year-olds every Monday evening 6pm – 7.15pm, 50p entry. I would like to thank Ruth and Rosetta for running the club over many years.

Pulham’s Youth Club is held at The Pennoyer Centre the last Monday of the month and Pulham Market Memorial Hall the other Mondays, they offer crafts, games, musical instrument lessons, table tennis, pool, snooker, Nintendo Mario Karts to name a few, age 11 – 17 years old are welcome on Monday nights 7.30pm - 9.30 pm £1 entry fee.

Pulham St Mary Church has many events during the year to fund raise the ongoing maintenance of this magnificent building to include Roof and Bell Tower.

Bossy Boots our local shop is an amazing asset to our village having the opening times from 6am – 8pm 6 days per week and offering Post Office facilities such as banking for personal or business.

We now have an enhanced local bus service on an hourly basis to Harleston and Norwich, offering safe transport late in the evening with also a service to Diss.

Superfast Broadband is now available to our village helping many families and businesses

I would like to thank our Parish Councillors and Village Volunteers for their continued support.

Mark Scanlan

Chairman

