December 2020 and January 2021 issue of Look-Out.

### Parish Council News.

### Salt Bins.

Just a reminder that we have two rock salt bins available for residents use. One is sited at the Village Hall near the disabled ramp and the grit can be used for the hall steps to give safer access.

The second bin, courtesy of Greenfields, is sited opposite the bus shelter on Church Road, this is only section of the parish where we have a footpath. Please feel free to use the grit for your own paths as well and please spread some at the homes of our more vulnerable neighbours. If distance is a problem, please let your Parish Councillors know and we'll drop off a bag so you have one locally. Stay safe and warm.

# Footpaths and road issues – update.

Here is an update from Essex Highways from issues we have reported as requiring attention.

Reference Number: 2671565. Issue: defective furniture on PRoW Location: footpath 3 Twinstead (off Long Gardens). Still under consideration.

Reference Number: 2687590. Issue: Drainage problems on Church Road near the pond adjacent to Wickham Hall. Being investigated. The part of the road doesn't drain very well and is at risk of an ice hazard.

Reference Number: 2685506. Issue: defective surface cover, causing a noise problem. Location: Long Gardens. Under consideration.

Reference Number: 2685382. Issue: defective bridge on PRoW on footpath 39 Gestingthorpe. Whilst not technically within our boundary, it is used by our residents, so we have reported it. The Gestingthorpe Parish Council is aware. Still under consideration.

### General.

Our meeting was on the 24<sup>th</sup>. November, so our minutes won't be in the Look Out until the next issue, but they will be on notice boards and on our website.

Our next meeting will be on the 26<sup>th</sup>. January 2021 and a main item for discussion will be the Parish precept, which determines the level of the local tax you pay.

On behalf of the Parish Council, may we wish our Parishioners a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

## Flag Flying Programme.

9 January	Birthday of the Duchess of Cambridge	Union
20 January	Birthday of the Countess of Wessex`	Union
22-23 January	Battle of Rouke's Drift 1879	Union
26 January	Australia Day	Australian

The St. George flag will be flown most of the time in between other appointed flags.

A full list of our flag flying days is posted on the village notice board and on the W.St.P. website.

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