

Welcome to the monthly Trimley St Mary Parish Council March news

We are continuing to work virtually and communicating online and our monthly meetings are on the 1st Wednesday of the month presently online via webex, details via the Website, clerk or Facebook page via messenger.

The Community infrastructure levy from the new builds in our village and grants obtained has so far been spent on the following.

Stennetts Memorial Playing Field: A new play area was added, we surveyed the public, aided by a consultation by Head Teacher from the Primary School to ascertain the requirements of the village children and installed at a cost of £54000. We achieved total Grants of £18000 alongside the Community infrastructure Levy (CIL's) Money.

The playing field was given to the Village in the form of a Trust in 1967 and is managed by the Parish Council. The Parish Councillors are the Trustees and administer the Trust on behalf of the Parishioner's.

Pelican Crossing: Following extensive lobbying of Suffolk County Council, this was installed outside the School for the benefit of all ages. An additional benefit is the slowing of speeding traffic through this area. The Council again achieved financial support with a grant of £40,000 from East Suffolk Council in addition to Community Infrastructure Levy (CILS) funds towards the cost of £65000.

Census 2021 day is the 21st March; households will receive letters with online codes allowing them to take part from early March, the Census has been carried out every 10 years since 1801. Providing information that the government needs to develop policies, plan and run public services and allocate funding, its invaluable to historic research. Village Profile from East Suffolk Council produced in 2019 and contains information from 2011 Census: There are 3665 residents and 1568 homes. The average age is 42. Males 1807, females 1858 Homes: Detached 675, Semi-detached 649, Terraced 195, Flats 48, 125 new homes since 2011 census. Population has risen since 2011 Trimley-St.-Mary-Village-Profile.pdf (eastsoffolk.gov.uk)

On the 3rd of February we announced via our Facebook page the death of Reg Dixon, a highly respected resident of Trimley St Mary and husband of the late Mary who was a dedicated Parish & District Councillor. Reg was Head teacher of Trimley St Mary school from 1977-1996 & was very popular with staff and children. The Parish Councillors & Clerk pass on our sincere condolences to his family & friends. Chairman David Southgate said "As are Parish we are truly lucky to have had such a dedicated headmaster and they both will be remembered for their huge contribution and always will be part of the fabric of the village, whose kindness knew no bounds."

Tributes can be left on our Facebook page or via our Clerk these will be passed onto the family. Please see separate article for Reg put together by one of our Councillors.

Facebook: A Covid directory there which is regularly updated with local businesses delivering to Trimley. <https://www.facebook.com/trimleystmary>

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