

## Update on Estates Issues

This report sets out progress on a number of estates issues raised by the committee or reported to the clerk.

### **1. Overgrown hedgerow between Meeting Green and Coltsfoot Green**

This is an SCC Highways function. The hedge to the left from Meeting Green to Coltsfoot Green has now been cut back. This is being escalated through the Suffolk County Councillor Bobby Bennett.

### **2. Land Slipping into Drainage Culvert at Coltsfoot Green**

The clerk asked for advice as to how to resolve this problem from the Environment Agency, who advised that it is the landowners responsibility. At the clerk's request this was referred to the Environment Agency's Local Partnership and Strategic Overview Team for guidance, who have now referred back to Suffolk County Council as the Lead Local Flood Authority (LLFI) for the area. It appears that the nature of the work to be undertaken will not require consent, an enquiry having been submitted on the basis of the quote(s) received. Awaiting a response.

The Parish Council has power to carry out works for their maintenance or improvement or to pay others to do this under the Public Health Act 1936, s.260. At its April meeting the committee resolved to appoint a contractor to undertake work to both banks of the culvert, the drainage of the pond to be delayed until the next financial year or when additional funds available.

Work has been instructed and is scheduled to commence in August.

### **3. Maintenance in Cemetery**

SCC has now completed the re-instatement of a new hedge made up of native species. Clerk to arrange a working party with Mary Jolland for planting of autumn bulbs and a general tidy up.

### **4. Chapel of Rest**

See items 9.7 and 10 on the agenda.

The committee appointed a contractor to improve the drive leading to the Chapel of Rest at its April meeting. The contractor has been instructed, and the clerk has chased for a date for commencement of the works on two occasions.

### **5. New Railings at War Memorial Entrance**

The railings have been delivered and awaiting installation.

This could be scheduled through the contract for miscellaneous works as outline at agenda item 12.

