

1. Since the last full council meeting, I have had two lengthy email exchanges with members of SAFE. The first was begun by SAFE and concerned the roadworks on New Street. I was unable to provide the details about the work and pointed them in the direction of Suffolk Highways.
The second was a result of the inaccuracies on a SAFE flyer about the school's and the medical centre's capabilities to accommodate an increase in 'customer numbers.' After lengthy exchanges, SAFE has accepted that its statement that the school is full is not true. It has not acknowledged that the statement '... the medical centre cannot cope with more new builds' is not true.
I have informed both these organisations about the misrepresentations. The medical centre has acknowledged receipt of the info; the school intends to raise the matter with SAFE.
SAFE has not responded to my suggestion that it has a responsibility to notify parishioners of its errors in case they cause concern or anxiety. However, in the latest email SAFE has stated, 'Any future flyer will not contain a statement that the school is full ...'.
2. The supervisor working on New Street suggested there would be further work in the village to solve drainage problems around the War Memorial. I have asked Peter Gould if he can find out any details.
3. The new scout hut is in place – a discrete peppermint green. No damage to either the verge or road at the top of Priory Road because they couldn't deliver via that road! Thanks to the good grace of George Brown (and a prolonged period of dry weather) they gained access to the site via the field off New Street. It looks as though it just needs hooking up to services before it can be used, possibly early next month. There will be an open day in November, details will be circulated.
4. The new Baptist chapel is planning a barbeque to celebrate its opening. This is on 16 October and will be open to all, I think. The chapel has been in use since 5 September. I presume the conditions written into the BMSDC planning approval (dated 3 September) will be installed/adhered to, soon e.g., frosted glass in the contentious windows, adherence to the lighting plan, and mitigation measures around external plant. (Not plants!) These conditions are not yet being met fully.
5. The plans for the 12 homes on the other part of this site have been given the go ahead.
6. Suffolk Highways Authority has a useful site for reporting problems on the roads <https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/>
I reported the clanking drain cover in Stradbroke Road, mentioned by NS at the last meeting. Suffolk Highways authority moved on the problem to Anglian Water, and it was resolved quickly. I have also reported a rusty lamppost, but I think this will be low down their list of priorities.
7. David Wolfe hopes the Wakelyns application will go back to the planning committee on 13 October. Di knows more about this.