

Clerk's report for full council meeting on 21/12/21

1. Open Reach has decided to lay the new broadband cables under the ground following the parish council's intervention. After consultations with Natural England, it has been agreed that between April and May will be the best time to do the work.
2. MSDC arboricultural officer has ruled out the possibility of using Laxfield Road for planting trees – power lines over the verge from house no. 8 - 18 and narrow verge or underground services from 1 – 8. This advice can act a guidance to find other areas in the parish more suitable.
3. Repairs to the damage to around the War Memorial have been started. The level of the replaced soil will be monitored over the winter and re-seeded in the spring. The salt bin will also be repaired.
4. Harleston Town Council has asked if you would like to contribute to the maintenance of its carparks
5. Peter Gould has included information about a trial local bus scheme that looks interesting.  
<https://mailchi.mp/1aa42daea234/suffolkonboardcom-newsletter-july-4810410?e=388346b7a1>
6. A complaints panel will meet on Tuesday 18 January. Therefore, the council meeting date already set for this day will need to be re-arranged. The hall has been booked, provisionally, for Wednesday 19 January.
7. NALC is part of a national project to help develop respect and civility towards in public life. Its aims are to work ‘... together to promote civility and respect in public life, good governance, positive debate and supporting the well-being of councillors, professional officers and staff.’ Here is a [link](#) to its first newsletter
8. NS has finalised arrangements for CPR training discussed at the September meeting:
  - delivered by AID Training in Sancroft Hall
  - Thursday 10 March for three hours, starting at 2.00pm
  - 15 attendees - all Fressingfield residents.
  - cost £325 offset by £100 from Medical Centre grant
  - dependent on national Covid regulations!