

Holkham Parish Council – Clerk’s Report – 5 September 2023

You will notice that the first item on the agenda is the election of a new Chairman. Please note that according to Local Authority Law/Custom the title of “Chairman” is retained, despite the fact that it can be a person of either sex. You might like to give some thought to who you would like to see in the position. Please note that, despite being the “figure-head” of the Council it is not exactly an onerous appointment. Apart from managing Parish Council Meetings, there is very little to it. In the last few years, as far as I remember, DJ (as Chairman) and I have twice been invited to events on the Estate. The last was when the plaque was presented to the Parish following Covid. The previous, was the “leaving do” for David Horton-Fawkes – so hardly a busy life!

Item 7 is perhaps an old favourite. We are certainly not the only Parish Council running “under strength” but with only four of the seven Councillors that we should have, we should do our best to fill at least some of the vacancies.

I wrote to Highways about the vegetation at the Burnham Market Road junction. They decided that it didn’t need cutting at present, but they would “keep an eye on it”

I wrote to Peter Mitchell concerning the gap at the end of the boardwalk, the state of the pump house, and the possibility of village entry gates. He replied that he would “look into’ these.

As is normal, there have been no bank entries since the July meeting. Therefore I have not done a bank reconciliation.

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