

Cley Parish Council's Chairman's Report October 2025

The Parish Council hopes to again run the Community Support Fund this winter. This disburses Tesco vouchers (and we have in the past had electric blankets to distribute) to those who would find them helpful. At the moment we don't have any grant funding so we are dependent on generous donations. If you feel you can help at all, we would be most grateful. Could you possibly contact Gemma, the Clerk, on 07812384889 or clerk@cleyparishcouncil.gov.uk. Thank you very much indeed.

The work on the green in front of the church will commence in November. This will restore and raise the grassy area and provide parking spaces for church visitors. We hope this will be a fitting entrance to our magnificent church.

Cllr Deane is leading a working party looking at the availability of fully funded and managed EV chargers in the village. As before, the Parish Council recognises the need but doesn't have the capacity or funding to run. If anyone would like to join him, please contact the clerk. Experience with community EV chargers would be particularly welcome.

We have the latest data from the SAM2 speed detector, most recently looking at Holt bound traffic at the Three Swallows. The average speed is 24.4mph, 85th centile 29.7mph, which is seems rather close to the limit. We're asking the beat policeman what he thinks. The average daily number of vehicles was almost 700. We will move the SAM2 to Old Woman's Lane. To date, the only speeding we've found in the village is on the Coast Road, with Blakeney Hill almost at the limit.

We will be convening a Working Group to push forward our Neighbourhood Plan. If anyone is interested in taking part, please contact the Clerk.

In November, we'll be reviewing our Parish spend so far this year to see if there are any funds available for new signage and/or kit for our valiant Toad Patrol. We're always very happy to welcome new Toad Patrollers – please contact the Clerk.

The start of the new Friday Club has been pushed back to the beginning of 2026. We thought it would be fun to get together with a cup of tea or coffee and play cards, do jigsaws, crosswords and have a chat. It'll be 10-12 every Friday in the Club Room at the Village Hall. Do come along.

Highways will be resurfacing the bottom of Town Yard but budgets are so stretched not until summer 2027! Luckily, they can still afford to fill in potholes.

The next Parish Council Meeting is on Thursday November 13th in the Village Hall at 6.30pm. The agenda will be published on the Notice Board, on the website (www.cleyparishcouncil.gov.uk) and we'll mail it out to those on the Parish email list (if you want to be included in this please email the Clerk) and the village WhatsApp group.

Please comment on or ask general questions about Agenda items before the meeting by getting in touch with the clerk or myself, or come along and participate. Minutes are posted as usual on the website.

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