

Report from Syleham Parish Council

Chairman: Malcolm Flounders

The Council met for the last time this year on November 6th. The meeting began with discussion about the footpaths in the village and the need to ensure all signage, gates and stiles are in good repair. Over the Winter the council will conduct a survey and notify the authorities about any remedial work required.

In the Joint Local Plan, the District Council's strategy for development in Mid Suffolk until 2036, Syleham retains its status as a hamlet/countryside with all its commensurate protection against development outside the existing building line.

Two planning applications for extensions at Hill Cottage, Hoxne Road and Castle Farm Cottage, Weybread Road, lay within this permitted building zone and therefore were passed by the Council for approval.

The Vehicle Activated Speed (VAS) sign, purchased in partnership with Wingfield Parish Council last year, will be installed in Syleham this Winter. It is intended to raise speed awareness and make the village a safer place.

In September we received permission from the new owners of Monks Hall Estate to build a pathway from the road to J's Meadow to aid access for wheel chairs and buggies. We thank Mr and Mrs Grimes for their prompt and positive approval.

Finally, our thanks to our Chairman, Malcolm Flounders, for installing our new noticeboard that stands at the entrance to the Village Hall. We hope you all like it and use it.

Our next meeting takes place at 7.30pm on March 4th, 2020, at the Village Hall