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Clerk's Report

Office Matters

The office continues to be busy. Ros has successfully compiled her first edition of the Spilsby Explorer and these are now being distributed. Working with Stone's Printers has worked well and there has been a slight reduction in production costs. David Bruce of the New Life Centre has provided distributors who are being paid for delivery.

I have tasked Ros with making a list of all resolutions made in 2020 so that Councillors can see how many have been cleared and how many are awaiting action. This will be made available at the next Full Council Meeting.

Following my two weeks leave I have been catching up on emails which has taken some considerable time.

ELDC Liaison Meeting James Gilbert 2/3/21

There were several areas of concern discussed.

1. Dog Fouling- I had contacted the Dog Warden however I had received no reply. JG said that he would contact the section. I have since had a reply and they are going to put stencils on the footpaths again and carry out more patrols.
2. Empty Shops/dwellings- I pressed for some enforcement on these. JG is going to send me a list so that the extent can be seen and action taken as necessary. He suggested that I write to the owner of the 'Beehive' to ask what their aspirations are for the building and state that it is an important asset for the building.
3. Litter pickers- I have been promised some and none had been received. JG said that he would contact the relevant section. I have now received a reply and a supply of litter pickers, hoops and bags will be delivered soon.

I confirmed the transfer of assets as agreed by Council. I now have a contact for the key for the public conveniences for putting the defibrillator up.

Liaison Meeting with Ophelia Gamble and Alan Chambers 16/3/21

Ophelia brought us up to date with events which she has planned and also the branding of the shops. I will write a separate report.

Festivities Meeting 15/3/21

Only three committee members attended. Christmas Market date set as 27th November 2021. Minutes to be issued separately.

Vandalism within the town

I reported the vandalism to the police of the picnic table in the play area. I have since updated them as I have been told who was responsible. This information came from two independent sources. There was an incident on the 13th March of youths kicking over the planter near the Sir John statue. The ELDC operative on duty tidied it up. I will be checking the CCTV. I also received reports of vandalism at the bus stop on Saturday 20th March. I will be checking the CCTV. I will be reporting both of these incidents to the police.

Bonny Smith
Town Clerk
22/3/2021