

October Report Paper

Item 20.100 - B1029 and River Issues

The weather and start of school term has resulted in much reduced river visitors and associated concerns.

The large 57 acre field to the East of the 1029 has now been sold subject to contract. Once finalised I will make approaches to the purchaser with a view to discussing how they will be looking to manage the visitors. The sale of the smaller fields to the west has been delayed until next March when it will go onto the open market.

The various Councillors from Suffolk should have met to discuss their conclusions from our meeting a month ago, I will check on progress and report next month.

Item 20.100 - Gigaclear

Gigaclear is the company working with ECC for delivery of a full fibre network access. It is focussing on areas benefitting least from the previous network investment in association with BT. We fall under the programme as Phase 3, Lot 2, central North, Dedham Heath. Langham Moor is also being delivered as lot 11 and I am included in that part of the plan.

Unlike some other fibre network providers, Gigaclear is an “open access” provider meaning that any internet service provider, ISP, can choose to operate over the network.

As previously the best method of keeping track of the current plans and rollout is via ...

<https://www.superfastessex.org/interactive-maps/>

Use your postcode to give the current plan details. You can also pan across the Dedham map and tap on any point to get a better idea, the colour of the dots is significant - green means it's in the plan. All councillors apart from Sheila and Jonathan are currently included.

Current timescales reach out to December 2021.

The contractor for Gigaclear is TGRam. We have had considerable trouble with them relating to their storage area on Grove Hill next to Shelley Glebe Barn, this was mainly due to noise, fumes and inconsiderate working practices. A concerted effort by Anne, Nigel and myself has resulted in them being moved from the site to Ardleigh.

There have also been numerous operational concerns regarding their working practices, resulting in them being closed down in Crown Street area until they improve their operation and traffic management. Other areas of the village have also had issues that are being addressed and Emma is key to chasing these operational issues.

Item 20.103 - Street Traders Policy

You have seen the draft policy sent separately, to be honest drawing up this policy and getting joint agreement proved to be easier than one might expect. I think we all understood the need for it and we all understood what we were trying to achieve and protect. The policy has been seen by Demi Quinn, who leads the Street Market team for CBC. He commends it as a very thorough and robust policy. Thank you to all who worked on it.

Kevin Taylor