PARISH ASSEMBLY - RUSHDEN Councillors' Report for the Year 2021/2022



• Planning

As North Herts Local Plan has still not been approved and it does not have sufficient 5year land bank for housing this is having an impact on local planning decisions.

Policy 6, which protects small villages from random building and outward sprawl is being ignored or overruled in favour of house building. This may have implications for future planning decisions in Rushden.

• Speed Indicator Devices

The speed indicator device at Mill End has been moved to the other end of the village, as approaching from Cumberlow Green.

Drainage Works

Following the flooding in Treacle Lane in 2021, a road closure notice was issued in January for the planned drainage works. Date for works not known at the moment.

• Tree Planting

A native hornbeam tree has been planted on Southern Green to commemorate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

Footpaths

While organising the replacement footbridge by the Village Hall, the Rights of Way officers realised the path no.10 was on the wrong side of the Hall according to the definitive map of footpaths. New signs have been erected in the car park. As a one off, even though it is not now their responsibility, they replaced the footbridge.

An application has been submitted to allow continued use of the old path which could then be recorded on the County Map.

The footbridge opposite the Moon and Stars Pub has been repaired, other paths have been cleared and new signs have been put up by the Rights of Way team.