

2024 Recorders Report

January –

NYE party at King's Arms, then shut for a week to 09/01 for internal renovations

08/01 extra-ordinary PC Meeting to discuss– Dalau (GB - object - business)- shared the plans for the playground

12/01 planning refusal for two V shaped advertising board at Frating Caravan Park

Friends of Frating Save our Bus Stop campaign met journalist on Sunday January 14th

Bromley Road closed w/c 15th January – Anglia Water – sewerage was running in to the play-ground

Station Road closed from its junction with Great Bentley Road to its junction with Frating Road a distance of approximately 520m. as flowmeter installation works are undertaken by Affinity Water.

Councillor Reg Mogg died.

Rail maintenance at weekends for the overhead lines between Great Bentley and Frating.

February -

At the Parish Council, one new councillor repeatedly broke protocol leading to one councillor and the Recorder to leave the meeting. ECC Consultation began on proposed quarry at Frating Farm.

Essex County Council started a six(nine) week consultation on three potential quarries at Frating Hall and nearby.

March –

750 items from A Smith Great Bentley auctioned. The firm entered liquidation in November 2023.

Tendring District Council rejected the plans to build two detached houses in the car park at the King's Arms.

A group for working age people with Parkinson's began meeting in the King's Arms.

April –

The second agricultural reservoir was permitted at Luffkins Farm and archaeological survey. Frating Hall had been allowed to build a new barn, on a different footprint to the one before.

May-

The Clerk Mrs Jennifer Spear resigned. The ECC owned VAS was broken and reported. The Parish Council opposed the building of homes at Holly Farm. *Palletplus* were not interested in relocating from Bromley Road. The Moorhams Hall, Permissive access, has not been closed for the last 4 years. This was noted by the Council.

May 13th Station Road closed for 90m for five days to allow Affinity Water to lay new pipes.

Wednesday May 22nd At 0533 there was a collision between a grey Mini Cooper and a silver Jaguar XF collided on the B1029 at the junction of School Lane and Great Bentley Road that closed the road.

King's Arms hosted outdoor music events using wristbands.

June -

No Parish Council meeting was held. Jim Morris became Clerk.

Bretts applied to ECC to build a concrete batching plant at Luffkins.

The VAS recorded maximum speeds of Incoming direction (91.00 Mph) Outgoing direction (96.00 Mph); average speeds of c.33 mph. 93% were under 40 mph.

July –

The footpaths had been cleared, but a professional quote was asked for future years.

August –

A Parish Council meeting was held.

Rev Andrew Fordyce went on sick leave..

September –

Road works began in Bromley Road with *Open Reach* using four way lights to control traffic.

October –

A breach of planning control at *Sunnyholme*, Main road, was reported to TRDC. The boundary vegetation would be replaced after work was completed.

November –

Holly Farmhouse demolished. New application to build houses on the site.

The role of Parish Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer was advertised.

North Essex Parking Partnership (NEPP) agreed to increase patrols along Bromley Road near to the swimming pool, but double yellow lines (too far from the junction) and double ref lines (TDC don't allow camera cars) will not be installed. (Double red lines were to be installed in neighbouring Wivenhoe.)

December –

A Parish Council meeting was held.

King's Arms held Christmas and New Year functions using wristbands. The *Snooty Fox* in Bromley Road re-opened partially but food was no longer served.

Curate Rev Jeanine Wilde went to Mersea to complete her training.