

## **Tendring District Local History Recorders - 2019 Report**

**Parish: Thorrington      Recorder: Rita & Ken Sharpe**

February 2019 gave us some unseasonably hot weather.

The Parish Council erected adult play equipment on the playing field in place of the defunct skateboard ramp.

The Tide Mill was up for sale.

New houses were built along Clacton Road filling in several spaces Lark Meadows being the first of two developments. These were large houses, no affordable housing has been built for many years.

In April the adult play equipment was officially opened by local farmer David Edwards who had donated money to help pay for it, the larger part was from Tesco stores.

In May we heard of the appointment of our new Rector, the Reverend Andrew Fordyce who was replacing Pauline Scott who had retired in the previous October. He would be Rector of the Tenpenny villages Benefice comprising Alresford, Elmstead, Frating & Thorrington.

In June a development, Avocet Place, comprising bungalows was started on the north side of Clacton Road, these were also not affordable housing.

In August the annual village day was again fortunate with the weather with many stalls, sideshows, music and veteran cars.

October saw the induction of the new Rector at Alresford church where all three benefice members took part, Thorrington led the procession with the robed choir and the processional cross carried by Rita Sharpe.

Weather again saw above normal temperatures, particularly in the winter months.