

Wells Town Council

Wells Community Hospital, Mill Road, Wells-next-the-Sea, NR23 1RF

Clerks' report written for the meeting to be held September 2022 & prepared 25/08/2022

- 1. The lease for the House Paddocks is due for renewal on the 30th September 2022. The lease is for a two-year period. I will be asking the councillors if they want to renew the lease or discuss the matter further at the next town council meeting.
- 2. The town Cemetery is seeing an increase in the rabbit population again. I would suggest that some of the funds set aside for placing out the Staithe Street bollards be moved to the cemetery budget for additional pest control.
- 3. Councillors will be aware that a complaint about camper vans regularly using the grassed area to the south of Northfield Crescent, has been passed to NNDC who are the owners of the land. To date no response has been received from NNDC.
- 4. A request was received in July from NCC, to add Home Piece Road to the verge grass cutting agreement. Now Home Piece Road has been adopted by NCC, the verges have become their responsibility. The Town Council has an agreement with NCC to cut the verges. The Home Piece Road verges have therefore been added to the contract and the town council has received a small increase in the payment we receive from NCC.
- 5. At the September town council meeting I was asked to write to Victory Housing about the empty homes in the town belonging to Victory. I received a reply which was circulated, detailing why the homes were empty. One home was to be sold, another two were awaiting refurbishment and a fourth was subject to legal process. Victory did provide a dedicated email address that councillors could use to get information about any empty properties in the future; the email address was circulated.

Greg Hewitt
Town Clerk