

Deputy Clerks report – December Council Meeting

I have been involved with the following in the last month: -

Planning Seminar on 11 November with Cllrs Kapp and Thompson, about the future of planning. Cllr Kapp provided the Planning committee with a report.

Attended the Clerks network hybrid meeting on 18 November.

Liaised with Dave Rogers regarding the Christmas tree at Royal Parade shops, gaining consent from WSCC Highways, Risk Assessment, arranging with Cllrs Greenway and Spencer along with the groundsman Gary and Dave Rogers placement and erection of the tree.

Christmas fayre preparations, then cancellation informing those that had booked a table and arranging refunds.

Hampers for the schools on Wed 15 December, collating names and numbers of those wanting to receive a hamper. Informing the suppliers. Southway School are collecting the 15 hampers allocated to them and distributing at the school. This arrangement is likely to continue with hampers dropped off directly at the school in future by the suppliers.

General enquires from the public, ranging from allotments, perceived lack of disabled parking spaces at Aldi and Lidl stores and clearance of the land adjacent to Tesco Express leading residents to assume a new planning application is lodged. No applications have been received from Arun DC to date.

We are hoping to meet the new PCSO for Bersted, Beth Fidling, on Wednesday 15 December.

Tea & Coffee Club for December cancelled due to concerns with rising covid levels and the new variant.