

Trimley St Mary Parish Council



Welcome to the Trimley St Mary Parish Council News October
2025

Stennetts Play Area: The £60,000 new play equipment upgrade is scheduled to be completed early October. Thanks to East Suffolk Council who have match funded this with us on our Trust Land. We remind everyone this is a playing field and dogs are not allowed.

School Reading Challenge: We are pleased to engage with the school to financially support the educational benefits of reading. The initial grant has provided the 3 weekly book initiative for the year and other prizes. The children are being encouraged to widen their scope through holding a book in their hand, eager to turn the page is very encouraging. Our Chairman David Southgate was privileged to be invited to the assembly to present the successful children with books awarded for the reading programme achievements. One of the Nation's leading author Michael Morpurgo was a very popular of choice.

David said 'With the whole school in assembly I was very impressed at the relationship between pupils and staff with exceptional good behaviour. This is a credit to Head Mrs Lamb and Deputy Head Mr Murray who controlled the assembly with skill and compassion.

Bus 73 village links will run hourly for most of the day from 31 August. The 73-bus service operates between Woodbridge and Old Felixstowe via Grove Medical Centre, Great Eastern Square, through the town centre via Highfield Road, Orwell Road and Garrison Lane into Walton, then on to Trimley, Kirton and other villages to Martlesham and Woodbridge. Thank you to Felixstowe Travel Watch supported by the Parish Council for pursuing this. This was turned down last year but now granted in the second wave of Government funding. Current £3 cap for single bus journeys is in effect until December 31st 2025.

News from our County Councillor Stuart Bird: LOCAL HIGHWAYS BUDGET:

I have a budget of £6000 which is for small scale highways related schemes which do not meet the criteria for work or intervention under Suffolk Highways rules. I have decided to fund some refreshing of cycle lane markings on the Trimley High Road. This will be on the westbound carriageway, from the primary school to Howlett Way. The cost is £2232, which will be shared between myself and Cllr Seamus Bennett, County Councillor in Felixstowe Coastal. The work is in my division, but he has kindly agreed to contribute half the cost. The works were ordered on 03 June, with a 14-week implementation period – completion by September

Welcome Hall: New website with a calendar and booking form can be found at www.welcomehall.co.uk

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Parish Council Meetings are at the Welcome Hall at 7. 30pm on the first Monday of the month. Members of the public very welcome.

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