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### Clerk's Report

1. I have attended the following external meetings –
  - 27<sup>th</sup> October – BDC Clerk's forum
2. Braintree District Council (BDC) have circulated letters to residents of Notley Green to update them on how the hedges along that road will be maintained in future.
3. The application for the speed limit on the A131 to be reduced from 60mph to 50mph has been rejected by the Local Highway Panel who have issued the following comments 'A131 itself is built to 60mph design standards, if we reduce the speed limit this will encourage drivers to use an alternative route (London Road). No accident data to warrant a speed limit reduction'
4. No news to report as yet in relation to the appointment of a tree warden but I will keep you updated
5. No further news has been received from the Police regarding patrols with the Parish Council.
6. I requested that BDC clear fallen leaves along the footpaths and they agreed to assess the various paths
7. Regarding the ECC member led pothole programme, residents responded and raised issues of a large pothole on the A131 at the Pegasus crossing and a number of surface defects at the entrance to White Court which I referred to Councillor Butland.
8. Finally, I am listing some matters where no action is required by the Parish Council but where a response is awaited from others.

Issue	First raised
Transfer of land between developers and Braintree District Council – <i>agreement reached between BDC and Countryside Properties regarding land to be transferred and commuted sum. Only outstanding issue is the future of the Unity Hand sculpture</i>	May 2012
Parish Council application for a 'warning pedestrians sign on A131 adjacent to Astronomer pub – Signage recommended for funding in financial year 2022 – 2023 at an estimated cost of £5,000	January 2015
Tree Strategy for the Parish – await Braintree District Council tree officer	July 2019
Application for 20mph speed limit within White Court section of the Parish –feasibility to be undertaken and current listed in the 'awaiting funding' list of the LHP	July 2020
Information from BDC regarding Electric Vehicle feasibility study – expected in July 2022	November 2021
Grant application for trees – await response from Councillors grant fund officer at BDC	June 2022
Local Highway Panel application for tactile paving at Bridge End Lane – application submitted to LHP and currently in validation	June 2022
Application for Quality Award in the Local Council Award Scheme – awaiting NALC adjudication panel – result expected by the end of December 2022	July 2022
Rewilding scheme – await more information from BDC in 2023/4	October 2022

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