

Breckland District Councillors report for October 2020

Anna Graves, our CEO for 6 ½ years has retired. Whilst not filling that post immediately, in order to comply with the Local Government Act 1972, the Council have appointed an interim Joint Head of Paid Services, for six months, working across both Breckland and South Holland District Councils. The current three directors have already assumed many of the duties of a CEO and will guide us confidently and competently through the Covid-19 situation.

Breckland have successfully prosecuted several fly tippers, sending out the message that there is a penalty for fly tipping. We would remind householders who rely on others to take away their rubbish assuming it is going to the recycling centre, please ask to see the collectors Waste Carriers Licence. If they don't have one, and any fly tipping by them is identified, it is the householder who will be held responsible and likely fined.

Front line services continue to be delivered, and whilst most officers have returned to their original duties still working efficiently from home, with the onset of a possible second wave of the pandemic, systems are in place to continue supporting the community, especially the vulnerable. Local businesses continue to be supported with advice and help. The council continues to work with other local authorities and agencies in managing the impact of the pandemic on the whole community.

Paul and Lynda attend parish council meetings in Shipdham, Cranworth and Scarning, via Zoom, and are always happy to answer any questions, if appropriate to the ward.