

## **Parish Report July 2019**

## **Palgrave Parish Council**

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Highways Meeting – The meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> July at Rougham Service Centre is confirmed with Cabinet Member Mary Evans, Community Liaison Engineers Francesca Clarke and Matthew Fox, and Speed and Safety Team manager David Chenery. An agenda listing the items to be covered will be useful, for example, School Safety (speed and illegal use of Restricted Access Road on east side and general traffic hazard on west side, refer to recent speed survey data); 30 mph Speed Limit extensions; response to defects and drain blocks; pedestrian safety on Denmark Hill – any traffic calming measures available; VAS and locations (Denmark Hill?); AOB.

**Ipswich Northern Route Consultation Live** - Suffolk councils are exploring options for a new road north of Ipswich to link the A14 and A12, potential routes include (1) inner from Martlesham to Claydon, (2) middle from Woodbridge to Claydon, and (3) outer from Melton to the A140 near Coddenham. The public consultation runs from Friday July 5 to Friday September 13, with public drop in sessions- refer to Website <a href="https://www.ipswichnorthernroute.org.uk">www.ipswichnorthernroute.org.uk</a>

Respond to the consultation online here: www.smawouldrtsurvey.co.uk/s/INRConsultation/

**Bus Services Review** - Suffolk County Council is assessing whether it can maintain some of the more highly subsidised bus services due to funding pressures. Routes serving Palgrave are not directly affected, a list of affected routes is on Suffolk County Council's website <a href="www.suffolkonboard.com">www.suffolkonboard.com</a>.

**Broadband Update** - Check your area on <a href="www.betterbroadbandsuffolk.com/upgrade-now">www.betterbroadbandsuffolk.com/upgrade-now</a>. The BetterBroadband newsletter is available on <a href="July 2019 newsletter">July 2019 newsletter</a>
<a href="Recently connected areas">Recently connected areas</a> (May 2019)

Planned coverage (April 2019 - September 2019)

**Pothole Repair Criteria Changing** – You will be pleased to learn that a trial scheme in Ipswich to reassess how potholes are categorised for repair will be applied across Suffolk starting this summer. The new system allows engineers to repair potholes close to each other during the same visit, tackling smaller potholes before they can expand.

**Green Access Strategy Consultation** - Communities are invited to comment on the County Council's Green Access Strategy - Rights of Way Improvement Plan as part of a ten-week consultation. The Countryside and Rights of Way Act (2000) requires councils to provide rights of way for walkers, cyclists, riders and those with mobility problems. The public consultation runs from 8<sup>th</sup> July 2019 and runs until 20<sup>th</sup> September.

To access the strategy and comment go to : <a href="www.suffolk.gov.uk/rowip">www.suffolk.gov.uk/rowip</a>