

September 2020 Clarion Report

The Town council were saddened to hear of the death of Carl Genese, who as many of you know served as a local councillor in the past. Our heartfelt condolences go out to his wife Roseann and family.

The Town council has recognised local businesses and individuals that have made contributions to the community at no cost, with letters and certificates of thanks on all of our behalf. They all deserved a big thank you from us all.

The play area opening went really well and the joy seen by the children and parents is testament to the hard work done to make it a valuable place for memories. Please take care and follow government guidelines to stay safe during this Covid crisis. This also goes for all other equipment provided for community use.

A reminder about the Government grants worth up to £5,000 for improving home insulation.

Vouchers worth up to £5,000 will be issued to homeowners in England to make their homes more energy efficient under a Government scheme being launched in September – here is the latest info we have following an update issued on 4 August. To qualify for any financial support, you will need to be installing at least one of the following "primary" improvements: **Insulation**, including solid wall, cavity wall, underfloor, loft or roof insulation. **Low carbon heating**, such as air-source or ground-source heat pumps, or solar thermal systems, which provide renewable ways of heating your home. All information online at <https://www.moneysavingexpert.com/news/2020/07/homeowners-to-receive-p5-000-vouchers-to-improve-energy-efficien/>

Update received from the Neighbourhood Plan Community Group.

Regulation 14 consultation is now closed and being analysed. There were 96 responses in total. The anonymised responses will now be reviewed by our independent Planning Consultant and all relevant points responded to in a combined response. A recommendation will be made back to the NP Task and Finish group of volunteers by our planning consultant.

The Task and Finish Group will then consider appropriate recommendations to amend the Draft Neighbourhood Plan and Land Allocation documents before submitting them for approval by the Town Council around October early November.

We are so lucky to have the surrounding open spaces, but can we please stick to public footpaths, keep dogs on leads around livestock and not walk through fields with crops and take any litter home. We need to respect the countryside for all of us.

"Finally, can we all continue to support all our local shops. businesses and trades people who looked after us prior to, through the lockdown and are now back serving our community "

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