**GREAT WAKERING PARISH COUNCIL**

**From the Clerk**

**Emergency Critical Bleed Kits**

The Parish Council has purchased 2 cabinets containing equipment to deal with catastrophic emergency bleeds. One is already in place outside the White Hart Public House and the other will be situated outside the Parish Council Offices.

**Parish Plan Donation**

The Parish Council would like to thank the members of the Parish Plan group for their kind donation to Council funds, the donation has been earmarked to ensure the Christmas parcels scheme runs again this year. Forms will be available from mid-November.

**Bus Fare Cap Extended**

The £3.00 bus fare cap has been extended until March 2027.

**Allotments**

There is a short waiting list for allotments but if you would like to rent an allotment plot please contact the Parish Council Office to be added to the waiting list. Parishioners of Great Wakering have priority on the list over non-Parishioners. We are constantly allocating plots to new plot holders.

**Parish Council Burial Ground**

The Parish Council has purchased two Tommy Silhouettes which will be placed in the Parish Council Burial Ground.

To prevent dogs being banned from the Burial Ground would dog owners please clear up after their pets and always keep their dogs on a lead whilst in the Burial Ground. There is a big increase in waste (especially plastic waste) being left in the burial ground. If possible would users please take their wilted flowers and wreaths home with them to place in their green bins for composting to reduce the increasing disposal costs. Please remember not to place glass or alcohol on the graves as this will be removed for safety reasons. Please remember that by entering the burial ground you agree to be bound by the burial ground rules posted on the noticeboard at the entrance.

**Fly-tipping** is a criminal offence punishable by a fine of up to £50,000 - or 12 months imprisonment ifconvicted in a Magistrates' Court. The offence can attract an unlimited fine and up to 5 years imprisonment if convicted in a Crown Court.

**Great Wakering Household Recycling Point**

The confirmed upcoming collection dates for the recreation ground are as follows:

Saturday 16th August

Saturday 20th September

Saturday 18th October

Saturday15th November

What can be taken:

Non-recyclable waste (sacks only)

* Bulky items such as mattresses and small furniture
* Electrical appliances (items that can be fitted into a standard sized carrier bag)

**What cannot be taken:**

* Garden waste
* Gas bottles
* Asbestos
* Any hazardous waste including chemicals and paint
* Hard core/building rubble/plasterboard
* Commercial/business waste

The vehicles will leave the site once they are full. Any waste left here by residents after the vehicles have left is classed as**fly tipping.**

Please be aware that:

* Waste can be investigated prior to disposal
* Any waste can be refused disposal at anytime
* Proof of address/ID will be required by residents using the arrangement – Rochford District residents only
* A vehicle height restriction of 2m will be in force
* Vehicle registrations may be recorded

Kind regards

Sharon Hyatt – CEO/Clerk to the Council/Responsible Financial Officer