

I begin my report with a massive thank you to everyone that helped out with the cold snowy conditions that hit all of Norfolk in early March. Especially thanks to all of the local farmers that helped with Snow Clearance on our roads. (I know Clayton was very much involved with this) Also thanks to all local volunteers that used our grit bins that are placed around our towns and villages, we have over 1,800 across the county. Thanks to our highways teams across the county that worked around the clock working with other agencies to keep our roads clear and us all safe. Thankfully the snow did not last too long but what it showed here in Norfolk that everyone worked together and looked out for one another.

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Thousands of primary school children across the county will be learning valuable safety skills and advice at interactive workshops this year thanks to a project led by Norfolk Fire & Rescue Service. Crucial Crew is a multi-agency project which has been running in Norfolk for more than a decade and welcomes year six (aged 10-11) pupils from schools across the county. It helps children stay safe at home, in the community and online and sessions are fun and interactive. As well as learning about fire safety in real-life scenarios, children also take part in short bitesize workshops. This years topics also includes warning about fire safety, household emergencies, sexting, seaside safety, healthy relationships, alcohol and drug awareness, road safety and first aid.

At long last a planning application has been submitted for a Long Stratton bypass which has been campaigned by local people for many years. Ahead of that is the new roundabout on the A140 to replace the existing Hempnall crossroads which is one the most dangerous junctions in the county. Currently there is a public consultation on the plans for the roundabout asking local people and those that use this junction for their views, information, issues or concerns that may help us improve and finalise our plans. The consultation questionnaire can be found at [www.norfolk.gov.uk/hempnallcrossroads](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/hempnallcrossroads)

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#### Norfolk Community Biodiversity Awards 2018

These awards are run by the Norfolk Biodiversity Partnership (NBP) to recognise the achievements of individuals and groups whose voluntary actions make a difference for wildlife and people. There are five award categories, Saving Species, Young People's Achievement, Churchyards and Cemeteries, Groups, Nature for Health and Wellbeing. To nominate please go to [www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/CBANomination](http://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/CBANomination) or download a form at [www.norfolkdiversity.org](http://www.norfolkdiversity.org)

#### South Norfolk Community Awards

Nominations are now open for the seventh annual South Norfolk Community Awards. There are eight categories and nominations will close on 29<sup>th</sup> April. These awards celebrate the valuable contribution volunteers make to South Norfolk. The awards will be hosted by BBC Radio Norfolk's Nick Conrad, and will coincide with the National Volunteers Week (June 1 -7<sup>th</sup>) To nominate please call Emma Eltringham on 01508 533945

My next surgery will be at HIP on Saturday May 5<sup>th</sup> 10am  
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