

## Parish Report October 2019

### Palgrave Parish Council

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**Local Bus Services** – As of 19<sup>th</sup> October Simonds is taking over from Galloway on the 112/113/114 Diss – Eye – Debenham/ Mendlesham – Ipswich service with a slightly revised schedule. There is also a new service linking Diss and Eye via Palgrave, Wortham, Mellis and Yaxley. Refer to timetables in: <https://www.suffolkonboard.com/buses/bus-timetable-updates/>

**Climate Change Work** – Suffolk County Council is working with the Suffolk Climate Change Partnership to undertake a baseline or evidence base for Suffolk and so that energy and resources are put to best effect. An action plan is anticipated in spring 2020 to achieve the County Council climate and environmental objectives. The County Council is working alongside other Suffolk local authorities all of which have now committed to a 2030 net zero aspiration.

**Investment in Suffolk Materials Recycling Facility** – The County Council cabinet has committed to invest £7.5m in the MRF at Great Blakenham to complement the upgrades that Viridor has recently completed. The upgraded facility is anticipated to be up and running in November. Tours to the MRF as well as to the adjacent Energy from Waste in Great Blakenham will be made available shortly for those interested.

**Highways Projects** – will be reported verbally at the meeting.

**Pothole and Drainage Reporting** – Please continue to report all defects and drainage problems via the County Council web site - <https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/roads-pavements-and-verges/potholes/report-a-pothole/>

Contact may also be made by phone on 0345 606 6171. Based on a trial scheme in Ipswich, amended criteria now apply to categorise potholes for repair. The new system allows engineers to repair defects close to each other during the same visit, tackling smaller potholes before they can expand.