

SECRETARY'S REPORT 2025

In my role as secretary I have continued to keep a record of any committee meetings held and help and support the committee in whatever capacity I can.

However due to being Mayor until May it wasn't been possible to attend every meeting I therefore thank Margaret Ordway who kindly deputised for me . It has a joy to see the group grow and remain vibrant and I do enjoy doing whatever I can for our group.

Sadly whilst our Chairman was away on holiday I discovered that Rochford Tower Hall had severe roofing issues, this was picked up by an officer from Boston Borough Council when I met with him and the Chairman of The Trustees at the Hall to see about getting grant funding to improve the toilets. Further investigations from a reputable local builder revealed serious issues which have led until further notice the closure of the hall.

This led to our move here to the Pavilion , which I fully appreciate is smaller and not ideal for everyone ,however we must be grateful for having somewhere to meet .

Over the year we ladies that knit and sew were very productive, we were very proud to produce a tribute to the fallen of Fishtoft during two World Wars , I think this was appreciated by our community , as are the beautiful toppers on the Pillar Box in the Village done by Judy Bee and the one at Eastwood Road done by Sue Gosling.

I have organised your Christmas Meal at The Red Cow and apologise that I won't be able to do the welcome back Soup and Roll Event on the 6th January , the kitchen and bar area are small and the hall has no crockery etc.

I wish you all a very Happy Christmas and may 2025 be happy and healthy for us all.

Helen Staples 30th November 2025