Clerk's Report

Update from Elgin with respect to Norbury solar farm: They are currently expecting some initial site preparation works to commence in December, with the site access works targeted for January. They will provide a further update once the wider construction programme is confirmed.

The replacement heater for the defibrillator cabinet has been sourced & should be fitted w/c 9/11/26

The 20mph speed signs have arrived & just need to be put up.

The new planning framework (National Scheme of Delegation) is now in place; slides for this were circulated to councilors.

Report on Clerk's Forum 21st October.

A thought-provoking presentation was given jointly by Newton Longville councilors and the Buckinghamshire County Council Resilience team, going through the way in which they jointly dealt with the recent tragic gas explosion and its aftermath. Newton Longville did not have a disaster action plan in place at the time but the Resilience team are prepared for such incidents. The council led on community support & communication, while the incident team provided them with back up and liaised with other organisations. They were able to use the village hall to house evacuated residents and several local organisations donated food, although the council also made purchases via the general reserves.

The resilience team are willing to visit & give a talk about their role and to assist with plan creation.