

Station Adopters Report to Parish Councils for September 2022 meetings

On 22nd August, a further incident occurred at the station whereby it was reported that a large amount of rubbish from recycle bins in the nearby locality was emptied inside the station waiting room and a young man was seen asleep on the bench and was seen catching the early morning train to Marks Tey. Reports also suggested another young man was also involved as they were both spotted together on CCTV footage passing the shop late at night. I sent details together with photographs provided to me to the British Transport Police who took the matter seriously and advised that they would check the CCTV footage from the station to try and identify the culprits but so far I have received no feedback. There was concern as to whether attempts might have been made to find personal details with an attempt to use them fraudulently.

Greater Anglia planted a crab apple tree at the station on 7th June in commemoration of the platinum jubilee and we were given a printed plaque which Geoff Davies mounted on a piece of oak and the sign was kindly cemented in situ by Lee Norton.



The very hot and dry spell took its toll on a number of plants in the flower beds but the self watering tubs continued to produce some very colourful displays of plants and we received some very positive comments from passengers.

Our station adopters have been invited by Greater Anglia to attend a Thankyou event at the Railway Museum at Chappel on Wed 21st September. There will also be a Station Adopters Awards Ceremony at Portman Rd on Fri 14th October.

We have held several working parties to clear away dead plants and will soon be

arranging to plant the spring bulbs.