

REPORT FROM CREETING ST MARY NEWSLETTER
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Production of the newsletter has continued regularly and provided information to all residents about village events and general information.

Having delivered bundles to the 13 individual distributors for some years David Haynes has moved away and so retired. I was fortunate to find Janice Lilley to take on this task, reminding her of her early years helping her mother Audrey, the instigator of the publication, to do the same task. She collects the copies from Gipping Press along with the 10 Village News and has quickly mastered the round. We are grateful to Janice and all the others who deliver to their streets.

Numbers have had to increase in line with the building work and we now need 426 each time, rising almost every month.

Advertising income fluctuates a little and having had several non- payers there is now a policy of prepayment, not yet very rigidly enforced.

Last year two advertisers kindly sponsored a full colour page each as well as paying for one for their own adverts, enabling us to continue to print some of the lovely photos that land in the inbox. We are grateful to the Parish and District councils for contributions to our funds this year. Jennie will guide you through the balance sheet.

The most recent change has been the arrival of a new editor in the shape of Steve Matthews, the new owner of Red House Farm. Steve has bravely completed his first issue which should land on your doormats very soon.

Joan and I are most grateful to retire from the post though will be there in the background while Steve finds his feet.

Kathryn Martin