

July 2019 - Land Management/Health and Safety Inspection Report

Land Management Report

The Assistant Clerk had prepared the following report for members' consideration. A copy of the report had been emailed to all members in advance of the meeting.

Completion of works:

- Weeds were causing significant damage to the edge of the tennis courts. These have been sprayed July 2019.
- Tennis court surfacing has had minor surface damage infilled during July 2019.
- The wet pour around the edge of the Typhoon, Worplesdon has been repaired due to fingertrap/trip hazard.
- Mr Trevena removed epicormic growth from around the base of the willow trees on Wood Street Village Green.
- Additional recycled plastic posts have been installed to replace further deteriorating wooden posts across the parish. **Consider purchasing 20 additional posts for replacing other posts.**
- The Clerk was notified that the bee friendly bulbs had been erroneously mowed during the recent grass-cutting at Harry's Meadow, Jacobs Well. The contractor has been notified and is taking steps to arrange for some flowering plants to be planted, and also has arranged for the mowing team to be reminded of the location of the bulbs to prevent a repeat.
- Positive feedback has been received by all members of staff in respect of the play areas across the parish.
- Clerk observed that the epicormic growth at Dorrit Crescent requires attention. Mr Trevena has remedied this.
- One of the three concrete balls at Jacobs Well war memorial has sustained vehicle damage. Damaged ball has been replaced by Mr Trevena.

Work agreed with contractors/volunteers:

- Removal of a dead tree on White Hart Lane, Wood Street Village. (Awaiting end of bird nesting season due to brambles at base of trunk)

Quotations required for:

- Wood Street Village Community Car Park resurfacing.

Outstanding works:

- Mr Trevena will help Jacobs Well residents to paint the height barrier into the recreation ground. This is a low priority.
- The white safety gates in Wood Street Village need to be re-painted. Mr Trevena and staff to carry out in Summer 2019 (weather dependent).

Groundsman's/Clerk's Observations:

- Mr Trevena is continuing to clean road signs and clear any obscuring vegetation.
- Bench outside Fairlands parade of shops to be assessed for repair due to deteriorating wood and fixings.
- Mr Trevena is continuing to repaint benches and bus shelters across the parish.
- **Consider replacing the polycarbonate panels in the bus shelter at Oak Tree Close with perforated metal panels.**
- The log bench at Jacobs Well recreation ground is deteriorating. A local firm has been approached to determine the cost of replacing the log and leaving the old log to become a wildlife habitat.
- Logs around Jacobs Well recreation ground have been observed to be deteriorating. Mr Trevena to utilise logs from a recently felled tree to replace with the assistance of a local resident.

Health and Safety Inspection Report

The Groundsman had undertaken his weekly inspections as a result of which the Assistant Clerk had prepared the following report, a copy of which had been issued via email to all members in advance of the meeting.

Weekly Reports

Worplesdon, Jacobs Well and Fairlands play areas, the Husson Breeze and community car park at Wood Street were checked on 10.06.19, 13.06.19, 17.06.19, 18.06.19, 24.06.19, 01.07.19, 08.07.19 and 15.07.19. Mr Trevena has carried out the following work:

- Cleared litter at all 4 sites
- Cleared grilles across the Parish

Completed works:

- None.

Outstanding works:

- None.

Groundsman's/Clerk's Observations:

- The post-installation report on the newly installed equipment highlighted the potential for a finger trap on two panels. Following discussions with both the inspection company and the manufacturer, the Assistant Clerk has arranged for bespoke manufactured brackets to be retrofitted to the panels (by the manufacturer) to remove the finger trap, and has the assurances of the manufacturer that in future the design of the panels will be reconfigured to remove the finger trap.
- Mr Trevena observed that the wet pour at Fairlands had sustained deliberate damage. The Assistant Clerk has requested a quote to repair the damage and a neighbouring crack, and Mr Trevena has highlighted the hole with yellow paint.
- The yellow spinner bowl at Kompan is observed to have a wobble. The Assistant Clerk is liaising with Kompan to have it fixed or repaired under the warranty agreement.
- The open topped bins at Worplesdon Memorial play area are inadequate in terms of capacity, water infiltrates the bins making cardboard heavy and birds are throwing rubbish out of the bins. Consider replacement bins to encourage recycling?
- Further work parties need to be planned. Advice regarding wildflower meadows is being sought from Surrey Wildlife Trust.

Monthly Health and Safety Report:

The monthly inspections were undertaken on 25.06.19 and 27.06.19.