

HISTON & IMPINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

CLERK'S REPORT

REPORT TO:	Environment Committee	23 January 2018
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Meetings:

- Cllr Farrell met with Buchans re rose bushes at War Memorial
- Met AGA at The Brook to agree scope of work on enhancement. **Meeting due to look at report received before progressing**
- Attended various meetings re petrol/diesel issues Station Rd
- Met with Cllr Foster 28 November to review bus shelter works and notice boards
- Cllr Payne attended Community Flood Training session 1 December
- Public Art Working Party meeting held 14 December
- Cllr Perry attended "Keeping Cambridge Special" seminar 13 January
- Workshop held 18 January to look at Management Plans for each open space, **follow up planned**. Input from Asst Groundsman noted
- Cllr Foster has met with Brian Heffernan and resident re flooding issues in Histon & Impington. Further meetings scheduled. **Consideration on calling a Drainage Working Party** – noting that Cllr Foster is currently the only member elected

General:

- Kings Meadow second newsletter published November. Christmas lights community prize given. One of the resident members has left Kings Meadows
- Cllr Foster reports on approaches to County Council **to Highways Committee**. Big Tidy up held 2 December. Cllr Foster continues managing Big Tidy Up and Road Adopters scheme, and regular weeding group – Health & Safety briefings provided.
- Christmas Tree obtained from Rectory Farm 2017
- Tates Treework kindly chipped residents Christmas trees in January, assisted with what turned out to be a huge task by Brookfield
- Santas Grotto event in Crossing Keepers Hut continues to be a big success for the enviro.vols
- Carols on The Green event 13 December. **Concern from groundstaff** over damage to grass caused by recovery vehicle
- Groundstaff undertook and passed CBT training to enable driving Piaggio for next 2 years 17 January
- Unauthorised memorial in Burial Ground – letter sent to next of kin
- Details received via Village Society re safeguarding of Moses stone by Boot Brasserie
- Details of Cambridgeshire Energy Switch auction 13 February 2018
- Any articles from members for **HISIMP News deadline 12 March**
- All enviro.vol works reported to office and Health & Safety briefings provided
- SCDC: Environmental Health issues raised
- CCC: Highways, Rights of Way and woodland issues raised. Council has registered an interest in a new scheme to lend road sweepers out to Parishes
- Councillors have all been asked to attend drop in events for the Neighbourhood Plan, especially to review and ask questions on their area of interest re Committees

Village Green:

- **Bookings:** Village Green: Yesteryear Road Run confirm 2018 run has been **cancelled** due to Northstowe development issues; Impington Opportunities Stall on the Green Sat 19 May 2018

Other Open Spaces:

- New padlocks provided for select open spaces
- Notices fixed to litter bins at Manorial Waste following inappropriate commercial use
- Quote requested from Site & Maintenance following damage to notice board at The Copse – including repair and renovation

Delegated Project Update

- Bus shelter at Manorial Waste – **order placed with Brookfield for window opening, works due; new notice boards on order, due for delivery end February, then quotes for installation to be reviewed. Old notice boards to be stored?**
- Roses bed at War Memorial – **preparation work carried out by Buchans. Cllr Farrell liaising re re-planting. No invoice to date**
- Homefield Park Footpath and Estate Railings – Footpath: **work understood to be complete and invoice received, contractor contacted for clarification, no response to date. RFO awaiting instruction from Committee Estate Railings: Quotes refreshed, meeting required with Committee members involved in this project**
- Railings and bridge at The Green (CCC to fund materials) – **order made with Paul West for Spring 2018**
- Duck signs for The Green – **initial design available at meeting for feedback, then to order from Algar Signcraft**
- Grafitti – one contractor has advised cannot as insurance issue, **2nd quote being chased**
- Brook Enhancement – **report received, meeting to be called to review**

New requests:

- Signs for High Street – “Do Not Litter”

[E17/053.2 Trees and Allotments Report](#)

No written report received. Clerk notes - **Trees:**

SCDC Tree Applications received since last meeting:

Windmill Grange, 4-94 Windmill Lane Histon – T1 Horse Chestnut 2.5-3m lateral branches and thin by 20%

45 Merrington Place Impington – G1 3 sycamores, raise crown to 5m above ground level

Woodcroft Impington Lane Impington – fell leylandii to boundary of 10 Impington Lane and Salvation Army Church Hall

1a Villa Road Impington – 2 limes trees repollard

41 New Road Impington – Cut back branches yew tree

Landsdowne House, Burgoynes Road Impington – Trim 3 yews; remove deadwood weeping willow; removal branch Norway maple; cononeaster reduce height; maple remove branch; lime remove branch and deadwood; weeping willow reduce height; horse chestnut remove low branch; yew remove deadwood; conifer fell

- Tree Wardens have responded to a variety of queries in the parishes
- Tree Warden training and “get together” details sent to Tree Wardens
- Orchards East event 17 February Girton College
- SCDC confirm they are unable to issue a condition to replant at The Boot as in Conservation Area
- Office Manager **awaiting details** of delivery address for trees to be added to order with Barchams
- Link to Woodland Truist – How Trees and Planning Link – provided by Neighbourhood Plan team

[E17/054.1 Grass contract:](#)

3 contractors have quoted to a streamlined specification for tender purposes – review results attached

[E17/054.2 Outcomes of workshop 18 January 2018:](#)

Attached
