

PORTFOLIO REPORTS

Highways – Stewart Wooles

Other than on Tuesday, 10 November, I contacted the HIOW Constabulary to report a dangerous tree overhanging Woodman Lane at its junction with Church Farm Cottages which was promptly removed by HCC. I have nothing further to report. (15 November 2015)

Footpaths – Ian Hay

Footpaths, all clear and freely accessed as at today's date (10 November 2015)

Playground – Nigel Reid

Nothing significant to report. I am at last in touch now with Nick Adams about the outstanding points on his annual inspection. Some of the fencing needs repairing but it is the WCC's fence rather than ours. Nonetheless I will try and deal with this. (13 November 2015)

Note: Charlotte Chadwick's weekly inspection log attached, quotes being obtained for ropes

Memorial Hall – Richard Summerfield

Irene Francis Minns passed away on the 6 October 2015, at the age of 77 years. The family have asked that any donations, in memory of Irene, should be used to benefit the Hall and New Signs are being considered, with a dedication to Irene and John, her husband.

Marie Bush has retired from the Memorial Hall Committee having been one of the most active and committed members of all time. She was a fantastic Secretary, knowledgeable and always helpful, a treasure we will miss enormously. We will be holding a retirement "party" for her later in the month.

Otherwise we had our latest OGM on 28th Oct 2015.

Formula for splitting fund raising monies agreed.

New caretaker working well, for appraisal in the next fortnight by Richard and Sue.

Treasurers update very encouraging with increased use and booking of the Hall. Projects to go ahead.

We would like PC approval to change the windows in the Hall. This would be a colour change only from the dark brown to white. As previously reported the WCC says no planning permission is required, as long as the shape and style does not change. This would comply with the Village Design Statement: Paragraph 34 (page 7), Design Guideline 15 (page 11).

We are also going to change the many signs in and around the Car Park, e.g. R/O the existing Memorial Hall sign and put a new sign on the Hall.

Change rubbish bins.

Redo "Finger Post" to include School, Hall and Footpath.

Have a new map of the Parish Paths set at a different angle to make it more visible.

The oven in the Hall has been replaced, due to failure.

The future of the phone box is being considered.

Further attempts to resolve the PCC annual charge have been made and finally we still have a potential taker for the Piano, living in the village, but it would be nice to move it for nothing, any ideas?

School report – Katy Cobbold

The new school year has started well. Having been at the school at drop off time every morning since September, I can see that the car parking situation does not appear to be an issue and does not appear to cause any proper congestion.

The church inspection is due to be carried out this month, the first one in 5 years. There are no real concerns about this and everyone is confident about how well the school is recognising and encouraging their Cristian values. (15 November 2015)

Police liaison

PC Croutear unable to attend meeting – see separate report

Village Shop – Nigel Reid

I have nothing significant to report here. Takings are down so far this year. Lisa Yeates has been appointed to the Shop Committee. The Memorial Hall committee has agreed to buy the telephone kiosk and to lease it to the Shop. I am to draw up a suitable lease. (13 November 2015)

Communications – John Little

Nothing significant to report (11 November 2015)

Security and Transport – Andrew Osmond

Nothing significant to report (16 November 2015)