



Hartlebury Parish Council

CLERKS REPORT. HPC Meeting Tuesday 6th September 2022 Agenda Item 16

District Councillor Outstanding Items

11/5/21. £10K funding query from the sale of the Old British Legion site & £250 contribution towards the Council's new website

Details required on the Community Project funding proposal.

June: -Update - making the Old British Legion site safe and secure

5th October: -Recycling POD's – possibility of pods to be sited by the former Old British Legion.

The Orchards 1st June 2021 Agenda Item 14 Update

Enforcement site visit 2/8/21, very concerned over the trees with TPO's cut to short trunks. Unable at that time to gain access to the site itself to consider the pigeon loft that may have been turned into annex.

27th September – The pigeon loft is not being used as accommodation and has been clad in brick effect rather than brick itself, therefore no breach of planning control.

Trees with TPO's – investigation on going. (18/7) a further site inspection will be undertaken shortly. A further complaint received about the advertisement for fencing.

Mitre Oak Tree

1st February 2022 W C Cllr Tony Miller able to provide expert advice from WCC Tree Warden. Background: the parish council contacted by a member of the public about the historic tree. Waresley House Mansion residents offered to donate £100 to help defray costs for its preservation. Suggestion from them to plant bright climbing roses. A meeting took place at the Mitre Oak. Worcester CC to provide help in cutting away any trees on highways ground in front of the Oak providing more light and to contact a tree specialist to see if any interest in looking at the tree. Letters sent to properties both sides of the tree to help support the PC by keeping any overhanging shrubs away from the tree in its enclosure. Tree survey now received recommended cutting. The Contractor who previously cut the tree and needed help with cranes contacted.

SAPCA

The Parish Council signed off work to be undertaken by this specialist on the MUGA, Tennis Court and disabled car park. This order has stalled. Only water from the tap at the rear of the hall agreed which can't be accessed because of the Heras Fencing around the unstable walls, water from a hosepipe from the front window not allowed at this time and remains outstanding, due to the age of the order may need to be cancelled.

CHADWICK BANK UPDATE

New Tenancy Agreement sent 21st March 2022. Payment received for this year 25th April and agreement signed 4th August 2022.

Road Sweeping

A member of the public concerned they have not seen a road sweeper for a very long time. That may be due to a shortage of drivers. District Councillor Stephen Bateman has raised this concern regarding Hartlebury (20/7).

Movement on Rower.

Movement on the rower identified by inspections in June. Team on site 12th August to carry out a repair (Broxap) confirmed.

Overbearing Hedge- Obstruction Quarry Bank.

Reported by a member of the public 9th June. Area visited twice, final visit (13/7) with no visual signs, no action to be taken.

OAK SAPLING

Following discussions about where to site the new Oak Sapling, it was decided to put this query to the Council's FB users. The only reply received was for planting on the roundabout alongside the Mitre Oak Pub at Crossway Green. WCC Tree Warden felt Highways would say no on the grounds of visibility. The suggestion for its planting on Hartlebury Common (a previous suggestion) as it's a non native species of Oak and the Common a SSSI, planting would not be permitted. Suggestions welcomed for the right place to site a tree that will be a significant size one day.

MAINTENANCE PERSON

There has been no contact from our Maintenance Person despite a letter/ emails sent. Letter sent to thank him for his service to the Parish and to wish him all the very best for the future. A new advert will be placed on the website and FB page after the meeting.

WESTERN POWER

Parish Hall site visit 19th August 2022 following tree surveys. Tree works to be carried out 25th August 2022..

FOOTBALL PITCH

Interest to use the Councils football pitch alternative Saturday mornings starting 1st October 2022 until end May 2023.
Details discussed in line with the Councils Donation Request List (5th July 2022) and accepted.

OUTSIDE FITNESS

Classes back up and running from the beginning September 2022 and will help the Council with their play/gym inspections in due course

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