

Bench Working Party Report

Wed 26th June to Wed 18th Sept 2019

News – We have been nominated for a community category CPRE award. The judge visited us in July, results in October.

Parish Council

- Made Passing Place in roadway to Parkfield Rec car park
- Small trees on The Green - removed wooden fencing, cut circular border, put tree compost and fertilizer pellets in border, fitted strim guards and trimmed trees
- At the Rec made a picnic table less wobbly by hammering in wedges
- Basket Ball net replaced at Parkfield Rec
- Replaced broken FP post and sign at the end of FP33
- Cut down damaged walnut tree on allotment and removed debris to bonfire site
- Removed damaged street sign at Hampden ready to repaint
- Uprooted an Ash tree from an allotment
- Repaired the steps up to the pedestrian gate at the SW corner of the Allotments
- Dug down on the allotment to find the source of a water leak, and filled the hole when it had been repaired
- Bollard straightened on corner of Coopers Hill
- Loosened strap on Conker tree at Rec
- Removed overhanging branches at Wren Close play area and cut back southern hedge
- Made new roof for waste bin at North of cricket pitch
- Repainted green central bar at bus stop outside school
- Cut back branches over bench at North of cricket pitch
- Repaired waste bin on bus shelter at East end of High Street
- Painted second coat of red paint on Wren Close swings

Ayot Old Churchyard

- Mended fallen cross, repaired memorial bench outside old church, reset wobbly gravestones (Donation of £100 received from trustees)
- In newer churchyard, made gate shut properly

Churchyard

- Fabricated drainpipe mesh protectors for roof of Church House
- Cleared Geoff Curry's grave and turfed it. (Had sort of 'Wake' there with Caroline and his family)
- Reset dangerous leaning gravestone in SE corner of churchyard
- Reset the SE (Harding) gate and made it shut properly
- Removed overhanging branches from yew in SE corner of Churchyard
- Put "block paint" on ceiling of Church House and painted over
- Church House table tops refurbished
- Eastern Hedge cut debris taken to bonfire

Memorial Hall

- Fitted new top curtains and new tension risers
- Tightened up handle on storeroom door, re-fixed curtain tie back hook
- Weeded patio ready for Beer and Festival and all around the car park
- Checked roof space for venting of Green Room
- Cut branches around perimeter of car park
- Trimmed eastern and western hedges and pedestrian path hedges
- Touched up marks on paint in Main Hall and Green Room
- In Green Room fitted "dado" rail to stop table marking wall at the end

Community

- Cleaned off remaining road signs around the Parish
- Erected Horse Show signs at each end of the High Street and then removed them
- Set out tables in Memorial Hall for County WI lunch (Donation of £30 received)
- At the Horse Show manned the gate and organised the parking of lorries, boxes and cars (donation expected in Autumn)
- Autumn Show signs erected and taken down
- At entrance to Rec fixed Bowls Club sign to post so it can't be turned
- Fetched on loan tables from Dacre Rooms and returned them, for Autumn Show
- Set out tables for Autumn Show, and put them away and ran the sale of unwanted produce
- Cut the hedge on the dog leg corner of Church Lane

- Weeded sides of Dacre Rooms

Primary School

- Delivered and painted large sand pit to Pre School (Pre School paid for timber)
- For the Nursery started to make climbing thingee out of tyres bolted together

Actions Required of KPC – none

Money Spent Recently on behalf of KPC

White Hammerite for Rec railings and Wren Close football goal	£53.00
Set of two Secateurs and hose pipe connector	£18.00
3 tins of stain for Rec railing supports and Wren Close railings	£32
Strim Guards for trees on The Green	£6.49
Stain and brushes for bench work	£47.00

Bob Finch

18th September 2019