## **Bench Working Party Report to Kimpton Parish Council 20 11 22**

### **Parish Council**

At the west side of the cricket pitch we continued to clean off and paint (Hammerite) the iron railings, AT LAST we have finished that job.

The Xmas market banners were erected around the village and two at the Wheathampstead roundabout. The Wendy house roof in the play area at the REC was repaired and stained.

An enormous quantity (390 bags?) of hardwood chips were laid under the equipment at the play area at the Rec. Christmas lights were set at Church Path, Church Lane, the school and in the churchyard.

Siding out continued relentlessly, including sweeping up leaves.

# **Church and Churchyard**

A shelf in the north aisle, used by the flower arrangers, was replaced with a new (oak) one. Blocks to hold identifying place cards for the 35 Xmas trees that will be placed around the church were constructed

Several broken or misplaced headstones were lifted and secured and several grave surrounds were worked on to make them stand proud of the grass.

### **Memorial Hall**

Many small maintenance jobs were carried out in the hall, including replacing some exterior fluorescent lamps. A broken plank was glued on the stage, may need a complete new one in time. A new tree was planted (a walnut tree) alongside the pedestrian path to replace the one sawn down — without any discussion with the Memorial Hall trustees - by contractors. The gutters were cleared of leaves. The KPC motorised brush was used to clear moss from the pedestrian path and the car park.

### **Bob Finch**

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