



## Clerk Report December 2022

### Verges Phase 2

No update Dec 22

Email sent. Aug 2022 B/C Cllr has chased. Awaiting update. Verge hardening by DBC currently on hold.

### Lease

Solicitor has now gone on maternity leave (we were not advised in advance) and we are waiting for new solicitor to be assigned to the case then a meeting with the school will be booked.

### CCTV Visit

Still outstanding. Chased 31/10/2022. Chased 28/11/2022. Head of dept has agreed to visits for remaining Cllrs and Clerk-waiting for them to confirm available dates.

### Green Grant

Rewilding of the East Green section: the green has been re seeded with wildflower seed mix and the works are completed here. Notices to be provided by DBC (clerk asked for these Nov 2022)

Clerk collected bulbs from DBC

Thanks, extended to Cllr Briggs & Cllr Berkeley as they joined the clerk to plant bulbs on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> Nov after the school were delayed due to Ofsted arriving.

School planting remaining bulbs with Clerk and Cllr Lester Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December.

### Warm Hubs

Clerk been liaising with Chair NMVHA (Nash Mills Village Hall Association) who are investigating 'warm hubs' and discussing how NMPC may be able to consider supporting this initiative -this will come to the agenda once NMVHA have made a decision on the practicalities of delivering this service.

### Play Park

Improvements on hold until after the lease has been negotiated. Our Solicitor is now on maternity leave so a replacement is being appointed (see above)

### The Denes Works

DBC team have started planting the wildflower turf..

Bench has been delivered to Cllr Cobb

Planter at depot.

DBC team aiming to complete works asap. Planter chosen by council requires assembly. DBC team to arrange this.

Clerk has received new magnetic headings for the new noticeboard, and these are now being used.

## Christmas lights

Lights on but Ringway have caused some issues with late communication with the supplier this year. Supplier to speak to clerk after Christmas period.

## Quality Council Award

No further update since submission.

## Elections 2023

No further actions at present but all Cllrs should be aware that the pre-election period (previously known as purdah) starts Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March. Clerk waiting for magazine working group meeting to start drawing up commemorative issue for NMPC half centenary.

## Coronation 2023

Bunting Licence to be applied for

## GRPR review

5 Councillors responses outstanding

Advertisers completed except for 1 but I have let them advertise for this edition as they had paid for the year.

## Councillor Emails

Budget figures updated

## Budgets

Figures from DBC received 5/12/2022 – budget updated and separate agenda point.

## Action List Updates

- Debit card applied for Aug 22-bank lost form; new form emailed Nov 2022, new information requested received 5/12/2022.
- Lloyds account now in progress
- All events added to events tab on website
- ACV questionnaire created by clerk and added to website
- Art Competition entry created by clerk added to website

## Warden Updates

Winter PPE received from clerk.

## Training Attended/Attending

Nov 2022

- Clerk attended HAPTC Elections training
- Clerk attended Dacorum Clerks coffee morning.

Clerk to speak to Cllr Tout re COSHH training.

## Correspondence received (please note that this may not include all items)

- Resident from Chipperfield has been communicating with the clerk regarding Bunkers Park and the Sites of Alternative Green Space (SANGS). Clerk introduced this person to the Dacorum Environmental Forum.
- Clerk has asked for a copy of the Bunkers Park Management Plan from the woodlands officer at DBC

- Clerk has queried lack of consultation with NMPC in Bunkers Park Management Plan from 2020- a response has been received.
- Previous Internal Auditor has confirmed end of contract
- New Internal Auditor has made contact to arrange first stage of internal audit and IA visit booked 17/01/2023

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