



Stanford in the Vale Parish Council

Environment Committee Report

Wednesday 16 November 2022

Minutes of last meeting – Wednesday 16th November 2022

Present

Cllrs Middleton, Lewis, Isaacs, Dabek.

Co- option of Amanda Bailey

Amanda Bailey to be co-opted as a non-councillor so that she can continue to be involved with environmental pursuits.

Proposed by Cllr Lewis and Seconded by Cllr Isaacs. All in favour.

QEII Field

Archaeology

The archaeological survey has been completed.

Cllr Middleton to speak with the Oxfordshire County Council archaeologist before the next meeting..
Provided this meeting takes place, archaeological survey to be discussed at the next meeting.

General

Cllr Middleton circulated some information for information only at this stage in relation to the levelling work.
Nathan Boyd to organise a chat with Planning, Cllr Isaacs to chase.

Green spaces

Tree Survey

Cllr Middleton discussed the estimate received from Venners. This needs to be updated to include

Manor Green - top two trees, Jubilee Green and one by house at corner of football field, as a neighbour reported concerns about the size. Would the quote be materially different if we leave out the trees on the A417?

We discussed the need for a focused report. Don't want lots of recommendations that we can't afford/do anything about. Focus on unsafe and things needing immediate intervention.

Cllr Middleton to discuss the above points with Venners.

Quote to be brought to next Parish Council meeting.

Donation for Bulbs

Note, donation originally for daffodils on the village greens. Will need to have a think about quantity and locations.

Cllr Isaacs to discuss daffodil options with a professional gardener resident in the village.

Treescape Report and Incredible Edible communication

Free treescape report - to be digested in a bit more detail.

Cllr Dabek to communicate with Incredible Edible people - see what other ideas they have which could work.

Footpaths

Cllr Dabek to contact the footpath wardens to meet and see what they are up to.

Cllr Isaacs will contact Vale about the Horsecroft to Bow Rd footpath.

Cllr Isaacs mentioned that the Horsecroft Bridge was getting slippery. Suggestion that we could put down some non-slip material on the bridge. Cllr Lewis' suggestions:

<https://www.safetread.co.uk/non-slip-flooring-bridges>

<https://www.safetread.co.uk/decking-strips-photos-4>

<https://www.externalworksindex.co.uk/entry/108506/CTS-Bridges/HiGrip-Plus-nonslip-overlay-for-decking/>

Cllr Isaacs to choose material and get Darren to fix it down.

Vale climate action fund

Cllr Middleton will go to see the school gardening club to discuss next steps and report back to Cllr Dabek. Gardening club meeting pencilled on for Thursday 17th November.

Next meeting

Wednesday 25th January 2023 at 8pm ish, after Millenium Green Trust AGM 2023.