

Clerk's report

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Mattishall Parish Council



Picture above: All Saints Church
Picture right: Repaired churchyard wall



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The items below relate to actions/resolutions from the 7 October meeting:

Item 8: Cllrs Piper and Fowler have made good progress on tidying the area around the lockup. No quote has been received yet for the repairs to the chain link fence by the cemetery and village green.

Item 10: With the lack of event being held to mark Remembrance Day, the council have purchased additional decorations and will use these by the village green and play area.

Items requiring explanation on the 2 November agenda

Item 10: During the July meeting, the council decided to bid for funds towards the protection of All Saints churchyard wall on the corner of Dereham Road and Church Plain. Highways have drafted a proposal that they would support which will be reviewed by the council.

Item 12: Parking continues to be an issue around the village, in particular the area on Dereham Road, between Back Lane and Welgate. Although the Parish Council have no powers over highways they are, like residents, able to express concerns.

Item 13: As agreed at the last council meeting, residents were asked, via Facebook, their thoughts on advertising signs around the village. The feedback was mixed but the general consensus was that there is a wish to support local businesses while tatty and unsightly signs are not wanted. Highways have given permission to the Parish Council to remove signs.

Additional items for information

Play area and village green – this month we have seen broken glass both on the village green and play area. The play area has also had the pigeon spikes on top of the swings damaged and left lying around the play area. Thank you to residents and councilors' who have notified me and help clear up the mess for the safety of others.

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Play area – new signs have been put up to advise users of Covid guidelines. These replace the laminated sheets which were attached to the gate and railings.

Village green – the goal post has been ordered and we are awaiting delivery.

Trees – the works identified in the tree survey carried out in July have been completed. This saw a tree being felled at the allotments and branches removed of one in All Saints churchyard.

Bins – a dog bin from South Green that was reported to be in the ditch. It is thought that the dog bin was hit by a vehicle and damaged so badly it can no longer be used. A new one is on order and will be installed soon.

All Saints' churchyard wall – the repairs to the wall are now complete.

Burgh Lane cemetery – the entrance wall was due to be repaired this month, but this has been delayed.

Website – a new cookie app has been installed on the website as the previous one was being withdrawn by the current providers.

Latest – with another lockup expected to start soon, please keep up to date by joining our Facebook page and visiting the website (www.mattishallpc.info).