Cradley Parish Council:

Lengthsman & Parish Path Partnership [P3] Schemes

Monthly Report : June 2017

Dear Councillors,

Longer days and a busy time for your lengthsman team . I am pleased to report that Pothole work has got under way again and we are busy trying to catch up on winter damage . B-B have also managed to carry out some of their road repairs in the Parish .

Strimming work, signage clearances, footway and road tidying, litter bin management, hedge overhands, visibility spays and PROW work have continued apace. The flush of grass/weed growth in May /June has been challenging, especially on the PROW network and there remains much catching up to do.

An emergency occurred at Buryfields Play area in June . A serious raw sewage discharge occurred right under the picnic pergola! . A lot of effort /time was needed to get Severn Trent to deal properly with the event and it took 2 weeks of badgering ST to get matters put right to CPC satisfaction . The Picnic area has now been relocated by your Lengthman team .

At Chapel Lane Recreation areas significant, regular input from the lengthsman team has ensured a well maintained and attractive community facility. More and more of our community are using the facilities and this is most heartening.

Dog bin usage is full on and the management of these facilities is going well .

All our CPC notice boards are in regular use, properly maintained and are now regularly monitored for out of date material, commercial and /or political advertising.

On the Lengthsman front:

- Chapel Lane Recreation Ground: Roadside hedge, verges and the adventure play area all strimmed.
- Buryfields Play Area: Sewage problem supervised, pergola and picnic table relocated, litter management, paths strimmed.
- Signage work: R&M to 30mph sins, cleaning, veg clearance, at Kingsbridge, on C1162 [Buryfields area], U65621.
- Huntingdon: Clear passage, cut back Ash hedge, complete roadway debris clearance.
- Brookside: carriageway verge strimming, general clear up. swept roadway. Full length.

PROW Work:

- CD-26: Shepherds Hey; Stile repairs, Kissing gate repairs, strim footpath
- CD-31A: Complete strimming /clearance of footpath.
- Rectory Lane: Verge strimming full length incl branch to CD-34.
- CD-35A: Clear field /path entrance at Churchfield.

In July , the plan is to press on with our pothole work and to try and complete CD41 clearance in 6 Acre Wood so the signage and waymarking can be re-instated after years of neglect . Routine maintenance of the parish infrastructure will fill in the balance of our time structure . Pixiefield is in need of some footway and road cleaning , hopefully in July .

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