

Clerk Report – Nov/Dec 2024

Matters arising from previous minutes

- Housekeeping in RBS have all been actioned.
- Advised Highways on the agreement to proceed with urban grass cutting for 2025 only.
- Link sent to all members in order to respond on the proxy voting and remote meeting
- Pavilion working group are meeting on 16th December
- Clerk contacted the personal trainer who is using KGV

Bus Shelter by the Plough – current condition as reported by Cllr JB - Have had a look at the bus shelter by the Plough. and although some of the wood edges to the roof could do with replacement and cutting down some off the hedge behind it. The bus shelter is basically solid and firm and still fit to stand in when raining,

Disabled toilet at the VH – Cllr JB report

having been in contact with Ideal Standard who own Armitage Shanks, it appears that our toilet is a pre 2008 model, that has a floor to top of seat Height of 450mm. the pan is 410mm and the seat is 40mm. this was the approved specification for disabled toilets pre 2008, after that the approved specification went up to 480mm in total height including the seat. At this time Armitage Shanks/Ideal Standard stopped making the earlier pan and seat, and produced one to the later specification with a pan height of 440mm and a seat of 40mm. The later seat has very slightly different overall measurements to our seat and Ideal Standard don't know if it will fit. but if it fits it would still only make the seat up to the earlier specification of 450mm from the floor. according to Ideal Standard we would need to change the pan and seat, and because the original pan had an outlet pipe with a center off 225mm from the floor compared to the normal measurement off 190mm, they reckon that were we not to fit another Armitage Shanks disabled pan, we would have to change all the waist outlet plumbing, which cos I cant see it without dismantling everything I don't know if it would be a straight forward job or end up costing us more money. they gave me the part numbers of their current pan, seat and flow restrictor(which if we fit there pan we would also need as the new pan is rimless and the clean water flowing into the pan from the existing cistern would be too much and it may come over the edge). I have been and got 2 quotes from plumbing suppliers for the pan, seat and restrictor, "See Attachments." I have an account with Plumbase which is why its nearly £100 cheaper. I can do all of this job which ever way we choose to go, but we could just order the seat first and I could see if it will fit as the differences don't seem to far off, and if it doesn't fit we would then just have to order the pan and restrictor and fit those as well. the only thing is, if we

just replace the seat, would it matter that our disabled toilet was of an earlier height rather than the later regulations. hope all that makes sense – Link to copy quotes [Disabled Toilet repair 2024](#)

Fields in Trust – New pavilion rebuild response to consultation on replacement land. Email trail of conversation can be found here [Response to planning committee meeting - approval to use land.pdf](#)

- Yellow Bin at the VH was damaged in the storm – LDC arranging a replacement
- Met with NB and Peter Beeden of Bourne Sports plus sports clubs re drainage works on the 9v9 pitch. Sports clubs agreed for work to commence in September. Both clubs (junior football and cricket) to meet with their respective committees to agree. Junior Football to manipulate away games as ground needs to settle. Cricket aware come the following spring to be mindful of areas where the drainage has been put from a ball perspective and a new drainage cover will need to be installed and astro turfed. Remedial works will be part of the annual spring ground works.
- Website meeting took place and nearing the final stages of the design – launch date will be mid Jan.
- Internal interim audit has taken place report can be found here [Plumpton Parish Council - Interim Audit Report 2024-2025.pdf](#) Nothing to report all procedures in place are solid. Regarding the external auditor comment reported to Council at the time – Clerk to work with Mulberry on how to reinstate at the end of the financial year audit. PKF were challenged but will not change their decision.
- Clerk attending LDC Local Plan Engagement Steering Group – as per our agenda item 10ii attached are the recording of the meeting plus questions about whether PPC have an appetite for community engagement for LDC's local plan [LDC Steering Group agenda item 10ii.pdf](#)
- Cllr NDS as requested a letter be written to the Environment Agency regarding dredging the Bevern – draft letter can be found here - [Cllr NDS draft letter to EA re Bevern.pdf](#)
- Redecoration quotes for the village hall can be viewed here [Redecorating small and large hall 2024](#)
- Copy of 2025 meeting dates - [PPC and Committees Meeting Dates 2025.docx](#)