

CLERK'S REPORT – PARISH COUNCIL 12 April 2021.

Report on actions taken on resolutions made at the last meeting:

18.21 Open Forum – the Chairman of the QE II Sub-Committee and the Clerk have attended a useful site meeting with the Upton Park resident to discuss the layout of the new play equipment. The Chairman reported back to the committee where it has been agreed to position new play items inline with the resident's suggestion.

24.21 Newsletter – the new-look newsletter has been distributed. The Communications Committee approves of the 'refreshed' look of the newsletter and thanked Cllr Walker for his work on it.

25.21 NDP – a written update on the progress of the NDP has not been received. See agenda item for next update.

26.21 Youth Provision – Cllr Beacham has confirmed attendance at the next meeting.

29.21 Woodland Creations Scheme – I have registered an interest on behalf of the PC; I am informed that the site will be considered in 'phase 2' of the project later in the year.

30.21 Car Parking on Grass Verges – I have written to CW&C Planning Authority regarding the potential enforcement of the reinstatement of grass verges damaged by contractors parking their vehicles; my comments/enquiry were passed onto CW&C Highways who contacted me by telephone to report they did not have the resources to 'police' all parked vehicles in all areas. I explained that it was not what the PC had asked for. I have now written once more to the Planning Authority and await further response.

32.21 Upton in Bloom – this item was referred to the General Purposes Cttee, has been discussed with provisional plans agreed and will be deferred until 2022.

33.21 Correspondence:

Upton Park Residents re Flooding – I have attended a site visit with an Upton Park resident to gain a full understanding of the situation. Upton Park gardens appear to be suffering from worsening flooding levels from the QE II playing field due to the hedge line ditch on CW&C owned land to the rear of Mill View Primary School being blocked and left unmaintained.

I have requested a site visit from the relevant CW&C Council Flood Officer; as soon as this has been arranged I will notify Cllrs and residents.

Tennis Courts – I have responded to the email from a resident raising queries/concern regarding the tennis courts refurbishment and continue to keep him informed of progress.