

Sandon Parish Council

Safety Report

for Parish Council meeting on 8th May 2019 - Agenda item 10

INSPECTIONS

Roe Green

The Safety Officer continues to undertake monthly inspections of Roe Green play equipment and sports fields, the latest two of which were conducted on 10th April and 2nd May. The inspections include a drive/walk through the Village to cover general observations of any PC assets or Village amenities that may require attention or represent a hazard.

No significant safety issues were noted. The outstanding routine maintenance work identified by RoSPA on the soccer goal posts (de-rusting and painting) was undertaken by the Sports Club this week.

Following the recent village litter pick only a few items of litter were found on Roe Green during the 2nd May inspection but unfortunately on the last mowing of the pitches a vehicle wheel nut that had been nestling in the grass was caught by one of the cutting cylinders on the Parish Council's John Deer Fairway mower which caused extensive damage. Wheel marks from unauthorised vehicles are again evident on the cricket outfield and everyone's vigilance and assistance in helping to prevent this antisocial behaviour is sought.

We have been advised that the next RoSPA annual inspection by Playsafety Ltd is due to take place during this month.

The cricket outfield and play area grass has been cut twice this season but strimming the grass beneath the play equipment is now due.

The unsightly and seemingly discarded old and broken chairs and wooden pallets behind the cricket pavilion require clearance.

Roads & verges – Road edges and potholes continue to be hazardous in many local areas; Sandon to Buntingford road through Green & Mill End is particularly bad again. Grass roadside verges have recently been cut by HCC.

Bus shelter – Bus shelter roof and bench maintenance tasks remain outstanding; this work is targeted to be done this month.

Latest inspection check sheets Nos 148 and 149 are available with full details from M Wicksteed.