

Sandon Parish Council

Safety Report

for Parish Council meeting on 10th July 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 of which was conducted on 24th June. 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 safety issues were noted in the above internal inspection or the external RoSPA annual audit that was conducted by Playsafety Ltd on 14th May, the RoSPA report had no recommendations on how the risks to equipment users could be improved confirming that currently there are no issues needing to be addressed . A copy of the full report is available from M Wickstead.

The steel storage shed used by the Sports Club for housing the groundsman's equipment was badly damaged during a recent break-in. Both doors and the surrounding shed fabric is quite badly damaged, the shed remains watertight and the distorted doors can be closed and have been chained shut and padlocked through the handles. The police have been involved and the Chair of the Sports Club is in contact with their insurers about repair/replacement options and will keep the PC advised on recommendations. One option being considered is to replace the shed with a more secure shipping container sited behind the pavilion.

The grass on all pitches has been regularly mown by Robert Wornham now using his own fairway mower, but the grass beneath the play equipment is in need of strimming again.

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

Roads & verges – Road edges and potholes continue to be hazardous in many local areas; Some grass roadside verges have recently been cut by HCC but overhanging growth from hedges and roadside trees can obstruct road users vision and extra care is necessary.

Bus shelter – Bus shelter roof and bench maintenance tasks remain outstanding.

Latest inspection check sheet Nos 150 is available with full details from M Wickstead.