

Clerk's report to Full Council November 2020.

The commemoration services on Remembrance Sunday and Armistice Day went really well. Whilst a few residents attended in a socially distanced way, over 4,000 watched the video of the Remembrance Day service which had been streamed live.

A newsletter will be going to all households in our area, delivered by Royal Mail before the end of the month. A mixture of Covid related information, town Council projects and looking forward to post-lockdown.

Temporary fencing for Lion Green will be installed by the corner of Lion Green and Wey Hill only to prevent M&S shopper driving on Lion Green. The quote for all three access points was too much. It should be installed at the end of November, beginning of December.

New playground equipment (roundabout, swing seat) is going to be installed 3 December and will take approx 4 days, and will include the repairs to the Wetpour surfacing. Even if lockdown is extended they will do the work (subject to any further government guidelines). They are also going to re-tension the aerial runway whilst on site, for free. Funding for the whole project is due to be coming from earmarked reserves, but an application for s106 funding has been made to WBC and we are optimistic that it will be granted.

The damage to the HIP HOP has been reported to the manufacturer and it looks like it might be able to be fixed, we are waiting for options.

Solar panels – Toilets / Town Hall. We are waiting for quotes but there seem to be two options, 1 being just to cover consumption of toilet electric and option 2 also covering Town Hall consumption so that we would be carbon neutral. Price of actual placing of solar panels on the Town Hall seems to be prohibitive.

Town Hall heating / cooling system – has been processed by WBC and we await their response. Arran has researched funding via the Public sector decarbonisation scheme, we should hear this week.

CCTV Weyhill - Concrete base in, still waiting for cabinet to be delivered, estimated end of month install of cameras straight after cabinet installed.

CCTV Beacon Hill - Everything is ok except permission on the Green cabinet on SCC land, stuck with legal and have sent them 3 emails with no response – passed to Cllr Barton to escalate.

Pocket park - everything is in place but there are complications of ownership. Again, passed to Cllr Barton for escalation.

WBC LPP2 consultation runs from Friday 20 November to 18 January 2021, which is 8 weeks and 3 days, instead of statutory 6 weeks to take into account C-19 and the Christmas holidays.

We have secured funding for another 10,000 disposable (recyclable) cups which will be distributed to those local shops who are providing take-away drinks in the run up to Christmas. We have had them re-branded for a Christmassy feeling.

