



Holybrook Parish Council

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Clerk's Written Report:

Monday 24th June 2024

Beansheaf Centre/Parish Office:

Maintenance:

May – Blown Linear Hall sockets repaired.

04/06/2024 – Centre front doors re-painted

05/06/2024 – Front entrance replacement, external shutter fitted.

Centre General:

Bookings for the Centre in the first quarter have been strong and we have seen an increase in bookings revenue during each month. This looks set to continue as we head into July.

Office:

The Office has been extremely busy during the last month of 2023/24 and the first quarter of 2024/25.

12/06/2024 – Clerk attended West Berkshire Climate Forum (in part).

The office support job has been advertised in the newsletter and on our website. It has also been sent to the local schools to advertise in their newsletters.

The Clerk's membership to SLCC has been renewed for another year.

Parish:

13/05/2024 – the Clerk contacted the District Councillors about a road-side camera which appeared earlier this year in Underwood Road. A response is awaited.

13/05/2024 – we were informed that a child had fallen from play equipment in the Underwood Road playpark as some bolts had been removed. A repair was made the following day.

20/05/2024 – the playgrounds had not received their first seasonal cuts. This has now been rectified and we are now on our summer cutting schedule of 2 cuts per month.

Following the Bank Holiday weekend there were several items fly-tipped in the Parish which were removed by our contractor. There was a further incident of raw meat being left on the Holymead site and dog foul.

The hedging on the corner of Bourne Close was cut back to help with site-lines.

Tommy was installed by FoLP in time for the D-Day 80 memorial service.

04/06/2024 – 4 x bus shelters and WW memorial bench were re-sprayed.

06/06/2024 – Community Payback Service worked around the Beansheaf Centre removing weeds and cutting back the hedge.

11/06/2024 – Overgrown foliage at Red Cottage Drive has been reported the appropriate housing association for action.

11/06/2024 – the significantly overgrown verges have been reported to West Berkshire Council.

Compliments:

'We always look forward to the newsletter hitting our doormat & reading about what's happening within the parish, & upcoming events organised by HPC - I think, as a parish, we are one of the most fortunate under WBC with everything that HPC does & undertakes on behalf of local residents.'

Finance:

The Council was unsuccessful in its bid to GWR for funding towards the Linear Park footpath project.