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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

After the Summer break in August the Parish Council returned to a full agenda to consider the Village Hall, the play ground, the canal path and several planning applications.

The Village Hall, thanks to its active committee has very successfully organised and timed the refurbishment during August, so the lifting of the block flooring to level the unexpected bumps has been achieved to give once again the clean, light coloured parquet floor. The entrance hall has also been revarnished but the redecoration of the ladies toilets was delayed when a leak was discovered. Monies from the Open Gardens helped to achieve this work.

Being very conscious of children's safety in the playground area, nearly £2,000 has been allocated to replace the cushioned area of mat below the roundabout now just showing a rising tear. Rather more expensive are the quotes for the Canal path which it is hoped will allow people from Canal Mead to reach the crossing lights on their way to school. Some applications for grants have been successful but the largest request has not yet been decided, such a decision must wait until December which indicates how slowly administration seems to move.

Planning Applications this time showed a disturbing rise in requests for the removal of trees especially in the Conservation Area where they naturally enhance, through their longevity, the listed buildings. Hedgerows of more than 30 years of age also have protected status. Once again Neal van de Wee of Brickkiln Nursery has offered to plant some specimen trees which may be some compensation. Please contact me if you think of an area that might benefit from this kind of attention.

Although the next French Exchange will not take place until 2018 some discussion has begun to consider a more formal twinning arrangement with the village of La Lucerne, to acknowledge their village design with some similar ceremony here. Perhaps inviting the Exchange to be absorbed into the Parish Council would raise its status. Please address any comments to the email below.



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