

Clerks Report July 2021

Playing Fields – weed killing around the Tennis Courts has been carried out and strimming around the boundary. This work will be repeated next month.

New benches – recommend that three benches in the Playing Fields are replaced. I will include options and quotes in the September meeting.

ROSPA Report - The remedial work highlighted in the ROSPA report is to be carried out shortly, along with a repair to the Tower Slide (part is on order).

Defibrillator – the lease has come to the end of its term and now will be transferred to West One Ltd. The Council can then purchase this from West One for the equivalent fee of one month's lease. I have recently replaced the pads, but it will need a replacement battery shortly (these last about 4/5 years).

Noticeboards – Please see below a photo of one of the new noticeboards made for Bibury Parish Council by HMP Leyhill. The costings are not yet known but will not exceed £800 each. The Council may have to wait several months for delivery though. The pin board and polycarbonate has been added after this photo was taken.

Oak 2 door noticeboard using 5mm polycarbonate, displaying 12 A4 notice's.



Highway Issues – I reported the following issues:

Downton Road – be cut back on both the road and footpath side. This should be taking place by the end of July.

Potholes in Brimley – potholes (have requested patching to take place).

Drains – Bath Road and Downton Road – need to be cleared.

Gigaclear – are carrying out work as part of Gloucestershire Fastershire to install ultra-fast broadband (in conjunction with Gloucestershire County Council). There is a schedule of road closures for Leonard Stanley from November 2021 – February 2023) - <https://www.leonardstanley-pc.gov.uk/uploads/leonard-stanley-fastershire-schedule.pdf>

Events over the summer:

- **Play Rangers** are booked on Leonard Stanley Playing Fields for Thursday 12th August 2021 (10am – 4pm). All children from The Stanleys are welcome, no need to book or register but children under 7 should be accompanied by a parent or carer.
- **Parklife Session (with World Jungle)** is booked on Kings Stanley Playing Fields for Wednesday 25th August 2021 (11am – 1pm). Aimed at 5-16 years. Is available for all the children of The Stanleys (but places should be booked in advance).
- **Stroud District Council Holidays Activities and Food Programme** - <https://www.stroud.gov.uk/community-health-and-wellbeing/holiday-activity-food-programme-2021/district-wide-offer>
The Holiday Activities and Food Programme (HAF) is funded by the Department for Education, which has set the criteria for who is eligible. However, we understand that the last 15 months or so have been hard for many more families in the county. This is why additional funding has been made available so that more children and families will have the opportunity to take part in fun, engaging activities this summer. Please note at this moment we are limiting one activity event per family. BOOKINGS WILL GO LIVE AT 10.00am on TUESDAY 27th JULY 2021
- **Saxon Gate** – The Residents Association have organised a picnic for residents only, in August.

Footbridge – Ebley is open again, thanks to work carried out by the Cotswold National Landscape.



Legislate to enable Councillors to be disqualified or suspended for poor conduct (petition organised by Jackie Weaver).

The Government should amend legislation to enable Councillors to be disqualified or suspended for breaching relevant Codes of Conduct. Some Councillors behave unacceptably, yet currently sanctions do not enable Councillors to be disqualified or suspended for breaches of a Code of Conduct.

More details

Most Councillors maintain high standards of conduct, but a significant minority engage in unacceptable behaviour, such as harassment & bullying incl. racist, sexist, ablest abuse.

<https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/586143>