

WIGGINTON PARISH COUNCIL WARDEN UPDATE: NOV/DEC 2023

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| AREA | SPORTS FIELD |
| TO CHECK | Gym/Sports equipment, Children’s playground, Car Park, Trees & vegetation, Safety Information, Fencing, Gates, Wooden bollards, Benches, Picnic Tables, Grass height, General ground conditions, Litter and Dog waste bags. |
| INSPECTION DATES | 20/11, 27/11, 04/12, 11/12 |
| ISSUES TO REPORT | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Weekly litter picking was completed. On average, one bag of litter per week. 2. Grass cover is slowly improving, except for the football pitch penalty area (nearest the car park), that has become susceptible to water saturation. It may become necessary for the GM contractor to tine (spike) the affected area to improve drainage. 3. Notwithstanding item 2 above, the grass height remains at an optimum height for sports and recreational activities. 4. Debris from the recent firework display has been assembled into a pile and is awaiting disposal. WPC may wish to consider if future charred debris should be removed, where possible, the following day during daylight hours. 5. The children’s playground was visually checked. The following issues were noted on the climbing apparatus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A step/seat support on the large slide was missing, leaving exposed screws (subsequently removed). The step/seat remains firm; nonetheless, WPC may wish to install an added support at the earliest opportunity (Photos 1 & 2). - The rubber non-slip surface on the play equipment was worn/missing in numerous places (Photos 3, 4 & 5). - A protective plastic cap was missing creating a risk to hands from an exposed metal nut/bolt (Photo 6). 6. The fitness/gym equipment was in good working order, aside from known issues (please see outstanding items below). 7. Dog poo bag dispensers were refilled as needed. 8. No defects were found on the outdoor furniture. 9. Fly tipping (plastic tabletop) was promptly removed by DBC. Ref No: 839325. 10. A large propane cannister has been discarded within the woodland sandwiched between the Sport Field and Chesham Road (Photo 7). WPC may wish to alert the property owner. <p>Outstanding items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A missing user information label needs restoring on the Twist and Step Gym station and cycling machine. ➤ A missing sign on the emergency gates (by the village shop) needs reinstatement. ➤ Replacement of a decayed wooden step leading from the playhouse. ➤ Refixing of net stanchions on a football goalframe. |

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| AREA | RECREATION GROUND |
| TO CHECK | Fencing, Benches/seats, Trees & vegetation, Grass height, Car Park, Litter & Dog waste bins. |
| INSPECTION DATES | 20/11, 27/11, 04/12, 11/12 |
| ISSUES TO REPORT | <p>11. Weekly litter picking was completed.</p> <p>12. Benches were in place and in sound condition.</p> <p>13. Dog poo bag dispensers were refilled.</p> <p>14. Grass height is meeting the mowing specification. Turf is saturated in places.</p> <p>15. A new wooden fence post has been installed at the Fieldway entrance (Photo 8) plus a jagged metal object has been removed from the ground.</p> <p>16. HCC has repaired a pothole in Chesham Road (near the village hall). Ref No: 401003821274 (Photo 9)</p> <p>Unresolved items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Re-fastening of wooden benches to the ground. |

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| AREA | HIGHWAY'S, PUBLIC FOOTPATHS & DITCHES |
| TO CHECK | Surfaces, Pedestrian routes, Signage inc. finger post, Bench (Oddy Hill), Drainage, Grit bins, Litter, Bollards, Footpaths/Kissing gates, Notice boards, Defibrillator |
| DATES | 20/11, 27/11, 04/12, 11/12 |
| ISSUES TO REPORT | <p>17. The AED was visually checked. The battery display indicates a 66% charge. All accessories were in place. Service due March 2024.</p> <p>18. Weekly litter picks were conducted within the village centre, Hemp Lane, Wigginton Bottom and Chesham Road (to Crawley's Lane).</p> <p>19. Drains and gullies throughout the village have recently been unblocked by HCC apart from Hemp Lane. Spray paint has been applied to indicate unblocked drains and gullies (Photo 10). Looking ahead, WPC may wish to pursue with HCC an improved drain unblocking schedule, as council may consider the existing schedule inadequate for local needs.</p> <p>20. Following completed road works, requests were submitted to HCC to collect left behind road signs as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - road sign and sandbag by the Chesham Road/Vicarage Road junction. Ref No:401003834916 (Photo 11). - Five sets of temporary road signs in Wigginton Bottom and Crawley's Lane. Ref No: 401003839601 (Photo 12, 13 & 14) <p>Outstanding items (HCC and DBC).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Damaged directional sign – Chesham Road/Vicarage Road junction. HCC ref no: 401003790025. ➤ Blocked drain in Hemp Lane opposite property Kirkdale. Ref No: 401003596160. ➤ Repair to FP9 between Fieldway and Common Field (tree roots are causing a trip hazard). HCC Ref No: 401003730691 |

PHOTOGRAPHS



