

Item 10 – Clerk’s Report

1. Councillor “Drop In” Sessions

The next session will be held at Copythorne Community Café on Thursday September 12th between 2-3pm. The remaining sessions for 2024 are Tuesday October 22nd and Saturday November 23rd. Venue and times are expected to be the same.

2. August Planning Matters

During August, when the Parish Council doesn’t meet, Planning Matters are dealt with in accordance with Standing Order 15 xvi. Details of how this process works and the application considered have been added to our website (<https://www.copythorne.org.uk/council-meetings-2024/>) then scroll down to August 2024

3. Copythorne Community Playground

During August, the Parish Council owned and maintained playground suffered two incidents of mindless vandalism. The “baby swing” was the first item to be broken and more recently a piece of the protective rubber edging has been pulled off from around the trampoline. The swing has been replaced and I am awaiting information from a playground equipment supply company about replace the trampoline edging.

Combined, it is expected that this damage will cost circa £300 to repair. I am pleased to report that a donor has very kindly offered to cover the cost.

4. Advisory Committees

The following Advisory Committee meetings have taken place since the last Council meeting on July 9th 2024:-

Finance AC	July 18 th 2024
Five Year Plan	July 18 th 2024
Flooding AC	July 23 rd 2024

At the time of writing, I am aware of the following scheduled (or likely to take place) in the next few months.

Finance AC	October 3 rd 2024
Five Year Plan AC	October 3 rd 2024
Flooding AC	October 29 th 2024
Media & Publicity AC	To be arranged
Personnel & Governance AC	To be arranged

Agenda, meeting notes & papers for all Advisory Committee meetings can be found on the following page of our website (<https://www.copythorne.org.uk/committees/>) in accordance with the Terms of Reference for the Advisory Committees.

5. Public Right of Way (“PRoW”) Inspections

With one or two exceptions, all PRoW inspections have now been undertaken by the allotted councillor or myself and a report of the findings will be an agenda item for the October 8th 2024 Council meeting.

6. External Playground Inspection

The half yearly inspection of the playground will be undertaken later this month, I am awaiting a confirmed date. Once the inspection has been completed and the report received it will be the subject of an agenda item at a Council meeting.

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7. Matters reported to HCC/NFDC

Attached (as Appendix A) is a list of matters reported by the Clerk to HCC that remain outstanding. Also included are matters reported by councillors or residents who have then supplied the reference number to me.

David Rigby, Parish Clerk

September 4th 2024

APPENDIX A – Point 7 – Items reported to HCC/NFDC

ISSUES REPORTED TO HCC or NFDC FAULT REPORTING WEBPAGE - OPEN ENQUIRIES - (updated 4/9/24)

DATE REPORTED	REF. NUMBER	BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ISSUE RAISED	REPORTED BY	FIRST CHECK DUE	LAST CHECKED	LATEST COMMENTS
11/04/20	7061319	Query condition of New Inn Rd (direct to Highways)	David Rigby	27/04/20	04/09/24	Last quarterly survey advised no worked planned. The next survey was due in July 2024. Details have been sought
23/11/22	21631147	Drain blocked near The Wilderness, Winsor Rd	David Rigby	30/11/22	04/09/24	01/07/24 – Investigations and potential remedies are being considered by HCC Highways. Repairs to drainage pipes nearby have taken place. Further work provisionally planned for Jan 2025
09/05/24	21740779	Drainage issue in Southampton Road, Cadnam	David Rigby	16/05/24	04/09/24	Investigative work took place on 18/06/24. Further works planned.
13/05/24	21741334	Drainage issue near Pollards Moor Road pumping station	David Rigby	20/05/24	04/09/24	4/9 – Chased for an explanation as to why this report has been closed without contact.
13/05/24	21741342	Vegetation clearance required on pavement near Pollards Moor Road pumping station	David Rigby	20/05/24	04/09/24	30/5 - Passed to 3 rd party. Chased 4/9/24
14/7/24	21751172	Vegetation clearance required on pavement opposite Splitwind Pond (heading towards Pollards Moor Road	David Rigby	21/07/24	04/09/24	2/9 – Work commenced. 4/9 Further work to be scheduled.

Number only = HCC

CS and Number = NFDC