



	<p>around the substation but also push back on Buckinghamshire Council to try and get them to pay. It was thought that if Buckinghamshire Council will not pay then we should investigate getting the affected residents to pay 50%.</p>	
<b>C22/40</b>	<p><b>CHRISTMAS LIGHTS ON VILLAGE GREEN</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The quote from Sparkx was discussed. This is to take power from the top of the nearby lamp post and string lights on the trees to be left their permanently. The provision of power via sockets for use at other times had been previously discussed but was not part of the proposal. It was pointed out that we should get something in writing regarding how long the lights would ne expected to last if we leave them on the trees permanently.</li> <li>• It was agreed that power sockets on the green can be dealt with separately.</li> <li>• Alternative ways of lighting the trees such as shining lights from below which could have different colour filters was discussed. However, the point was made that if we delayed a decision on the Sparkx proposal while we investigate that then we would not get lights in time for this Christmas.</li> <li>• The proposal from Sparkx was based on dressing the lime tree which we are now going to have removed. There was a difference of opinion whether to use the 400m of lights to dress one tree well or spread it among the trees. It was agreed that decision can wait.</li> <li>• It was <b>AGREED</b> to recommend the Sparkx quote for £7,350 to the full council.</li> </ul>	Asst Clerk
<b>C22/41</b>	<p><b>PATH AROUND THE PLAYING FIELD</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The path was only installed approximately 18 months ago and cracks were repaired last summer but this summer severe cracking has appeared due to the dry weather. When the contractors were chosen the Council agreed opted for an expensive design of path which was supposed to be durable While we did not get that in writing it could be considered implied terms and conditions. The company has been to look at the path and have recommended what repair work is required but want to charge £11,147 for it. There is concern whether we will get it repaired only for the same thing to happen next year.</li> <li>• It was <b>AGREED</b> that we should go back to the supplier to ask them to repair the path at cost price.</li> <li>• It was also <b>AGREED</b> we should seek a second opinion, possible from the other companies that quoted originally, on whether the original work had been done to the correct standard and whether the proposed repairs are likely to rectify the situation for good.</li> </ul>	Clerk
<b>C22/42</b>	<p><b>FALLEN SOLDIER</b></p> <p>There are various options. There are half size black silhouettes for approx. £40, full size rusty silhouettes for approx. £100 and full size black silhouettes from the Royal British Legion for approx. £350. It was <b>AGREED</b> to purchase a full size black silhouette from the Royal British Legion.</p>	Asst Clerk
<b>C22/43</b>	<p><b>DEFIBRILLATOR</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cllr Wood presented her research on the current status. There are defibrillators at the village and Hawkslade community centres available 24/7. There is one at the Weston Way industrial estate which is supposed to be available 24/7 but is inside a building and not easy to find. This will be put outside at some time in the future. The school, the Belmore Centre and Buck Goat Centre all thought a defibrillator was a good idea but didn't have one. Some councils place defibrillators in old phone boxes but unless you already have an unused one they are very expensive to buy - £3-5,000 for a rusty one and £20-30,000 for a refurbished one. The cost of a defibrillator plus cabinet is approx. £1500 plus there is an ongoing cost to replace pads and batteries.</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Village Society are willing to try and get sponsors to pay for a phone box if the Council pay for the defibrillators.</li> <li>• Cllr D Field offered to donate one defibrillator if the Council pays for one.</li> <li>• There was a discussion about where it would be best to place defibrillators but it was decided that this needs to be given more thought and a proposal will be made for the next meeting.</li> <li>• It was agreed that the location of existing defibrillators needed to be better publicised and we could put it on the noticeboard on the village green.</li> </ul>	<p>Cllr Wood</p> <p>Asst Clerk</p>
<b>C22/44</b>	<p><b>NOTICEBOARD BY SCHOOL</b></p> <p>The noticeboard previously had a footpath map that had become weather damaged and has been removed so the noticeboard is now unused. Short term it was agreed we could use it to publicise defibrillator locations but the favoured long term use was to use it as a heritage information board. We would need to provide content and artwork then commission an artist. J Durden-Wood agreed to work on the content.</p>	<p>J Durden-Wood</p>
<b>C22/45</b>	<p><b>BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION</b></p> <p>The results of the best kept village competition were discussed. We were marked down on various aspects of the village green including the noticeboard. It was agreed that next year we need to plan ahead and the Village Society should come up with a plan and present it to the Parish Council so that we can make a joint effort to carry out the plan.</p>	
<b>C22/46</b>	<p><b>GENERAL STATE OF THE PARISH</b></p> <p>Most areas of concern are the responsibility of Buckinghamshire Council so we discussed the process for reporting issues.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All issues need to be reported via FixMyStreet.</li> <li>• Reports must be accompanied by photographs, a good description and the map function used to accurately describe the issue otherwise they will be ignored. Maybe also use what3words to describe the location if the map function does not allow you to add the location accurately.</li> <li>• It is a good idea if multiple people report the same thing as this might get more attention.</li> </ul> <p>We should look for ways of better publicising how to fill in a FixMyStreet ticket, maybe via social media, although it is already in the parish magazine and on the noticeboards.</p>	
<b>C22/47</b>	<p><b>BUCKS HIGHWAYS FUND 2023</b></p> <p>There is a 31-October deadline to submit requests for funding. We agreed that improvements or repairs to existing infrastructure should be handled via FixMy Street and only requests for new infrastructure should be submitted. It was agreed that all should send items for consideration to the Assistant Clerk who will collate it for submission.</p>	
<b>C22/48</b>	<p><b>SPEEDING WORKING GROUP</b></p> <p>J Durden-Moore explained that there is a phone app for recording speed and agreed that the Village Society will undertake speed surveys.</p>	
<b>C22/49</b>	<p><b>HOSTING EVENTS ON THE VILLAGE GREEN</b></p> <p>It was agreed that the Village Society could organise events on the village green without asking permission but the Parish Council should be informed in advance. Nothing is planned for Halloween and the next events will be at Christmas.</p> <p>There was a question over why the annual fireworks display had stopped a few years back. It was because once the rugby club stopped theirs, a lot more people came to Stoke Mandeville's display and there were problems with parking, crowd control and volunteer marshals were no longer willing to put up with the abuse they were getting. Also, insurance costs increased.</p>	
<b>C22/50</b>	<p><b>TREE PLANTING</b></p> <p>We agreed not to do any tree planting at present because:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Buckinghamshire Council should be left to decide on tree planting on their land</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We will be planting a lot of trees in the new burial ground</li> <li>SEALR and HS2 will be planting trees</li> </ul> <p>We will contact Buckinghamshire Council to find out their tree planting plans for the parish.</p>	
<b>C22/51</b>	<b>ENGAGEMENT POLICY</b> This will be discussed at a future meeting.	J Durden-Wood
<b>C22/52</b>	<b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b> The next meeting date will be Tuesday 8 November 2022	

The meeting closed at 21:28.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: 8 November 2022

### Action List

Date	Minute	Description	By Whom	Status
14/09/21	C21/43	Contact Agripower to obtain costings and proposed solution to fix drainage problems in waste pipe that runs along the side of the Community Centre where the PC office is. Update – Agripower were due to attend in October but didn't. waiting response.	Clerk	In Progress
09/03/22	C22/06f	Purchase dog bag dispenser and a supply of bags for a trial on the playing field. Update – dispenser identified.	Clerk	Complete
12/05/22	C22/18	As a follow on from the original survey, send a parking review questionnaire to additions roads where commuter parking may be displaced to. Update – decided Hampden Road solution is yellow lines on corners so process started.	Clerk	In progress
12/05/22	C22/21	Continue discussions on providing electricity to the village green.	Clerk	Complete
12/05/22	C22/22	Plant a small Christmas tree on the village green and purchase decorations.	Asst Clerk	In progress
13/9/22	C22/39	Investigate what can be done to camouflage the gas station.	Asst Clerk	Complete
13/9/22	C22/39	Cllr Shanahan to draft a letter which the clerk can send to Bucks Council regarding getting them to pay for lopping trees in Ligo Ave. Update – needs to be reassigned.	Cllr Shanahan/ Clerk	
13/9/22	C22/39	Get recommendation and quote for lopping trees in Ligo Ave.	Asst Clerk	Complete
13/9/22	C22/40	Ask Sparkx to put in writing how long they expect the lights to last if left outside permanently and what maintenance is required.	Asst Clerk	Complete
13/9/22	C22/41	Go back to path company and ask them to provide a cost price quote. Also get second opinion. Update – Bucks Council Local Area Technician has confirmed cracks are due to weather rather than poor design/workmanship.	Clerk	In Progress
13/9/22	C22/42	Purchase fallen soldier.	Asst Clerk	Complete
13/9/22	C22/43	Add defibrillator locations to noticeboard by the school	Asst Clerk	Complete

13/9/22	C22/43	Write a proposal for defibrillator locations for the November meeting.	Cllr P Wood	In Progress
13/9/22	C22/44	Produce draft content for heritage notice board.	J Durden-Moore	In Progress
13/9/22	C22/47	All Cllrs to forward suggestions to the Asst Clerk for inclusion in the Bucks Highways Fund submission by Monday 24-Oct then Asst Clerk to submit by 31-Oct. Update – Bucks contractor is changing on 1-April so there is no Bucks Highways Fund bid process at present.	All	Deferred
13/9/22	C22/50	Contact Bucks Council to find out their tree planting plans for the parish.	Cllr Shanahan	Complete
13/9/22	C22/51	Circulate engagement plan for discussion at next meeting. Update – has already been discussed so no need to discuss at next meeting.	J Durden-Moore	Complete