

MALBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Appendices A & B

September 2022

Appendix A CLERKS REPORT

- a. Malborough Park Play Deed of Variation: The payment has been made for the legal fees incurred by Baker Estates we anticipate the Deed of Variation being provided by the next meeting.
- b. Malborough Park Play Update & Inspection: The inspection has taken place and the report findings have been passed to the contractor for action. Some of the works have been completed, the remaining works will be dealt with shortly. Fencing contractors are currently in the process of providing quotes for the replacement of the old sections of fence.
- c. Public Toilets Water Bill – South West Water have recently advised that the water meter we have been using for the past few years is not the meter that supplies the toilets. We strongly dispute this and are taking the matter further.
- d. Burial Ground: The burial ground is, as agreed, being allocated row by row, throughout the last two months we have received a number of enquiries regarding burials and headstones. Updated guidance is now being provided to the grave diggers to ensure graves are dug in the correct space and neighbouring plots are not disturbed. It is pleasing to note our new grass contractor is keeping the burial ground in excellent condition.
- e. Village Hall Bank Cut: A request has been made to a local farmer for the bank to be cut back, this is due to take place in the next few weeks.
- f. Complaint to St Austell: Complaints have been received regarding St Austell employees in the village, this has been reported to the Operations Director for Managed Houses. They are now investigating the issues and will advise the outcome.
- g. Waste Bins Platinum Jubilee Park & Skate Park: A request has been made for two bins at the new park, this is now with Localities who will review all requests once the new waste disposal service is in place.
- h. Website Meeting: Having missed the annual meeting last year, we recently held a meeting to discuss the village website. Minutes to follow. It was agreed to make updates to some of the outdated content, otherwise the website continues to operate well and is a useful tool for parishioners and local businesses.
- i. Localities funds from Cllr Gilbert, our thanks to Cllr Gilbert for his support with the purchase of the bottles distributed to local children in respect of the Platinum Jubilee.
- j. White lines: Our thanks to Dave Perkins who has recently repainted the white lines that had significantly faded at Silverhill, the Post Office and Lower Town. This has undoubtedly made driving in the area much safer for all road users.
- k. Higher Town/Lower Town Junction Double Yellows: Devon County Council have confirmed that they are looking at repainting the double yellows at the Higher Town/Lower Town junction. We assume this will be dealt with at the same time as the Higher Town road resurfacing that is due to take place.
- l. New noticeboard: Quotes are being obtained.
- m. Sustainable South Hams Assembly: Sustainable South Hams CIC is a network for climate and nature groups in the South Hams, their first year of operation has been funded by SHDC.
They are holding their first regional meeting, the Sustainable South Hams Assembly, on Saturday 8th October at Kingsbridge Community College from 10.00 am to 2.00 pm. The purpose of this Assembly is to empower group leaders (community, parish councillors and businesses) by signposting ready-made communication tools and encouraging them to make use of these to achieve greater engagement in their communities. They are particularly keen to have as many Parish Councillors as possible to attend at least the afternoon session (1.00 to 2.00 pm) for the new Special Interest Group for Parish Councillors. This will be Chaired by a Parish Councillor, Sune Nightingale and Adam Williams from SHDC is a Speaker.
- n. Multi Parish Survey: The Councillors from Malborough and South Huish have approved the issue of an online survey to establish what the residents of the area want to see regarding actions that can be taken to reduce the impact of the Climate Emergency. The survey is live until 7th October, everyone is encouraged to complete it.

**IT'S TIME FOR
US TO ACT**

COMPLETE OUR SHORT SURVEY

Help us to:

- Reduce our environmental impact - individually and as a community
- Improve our environment to cope with climate change

We have lots of ideas & initiatives!

Give us your views
Tell us the priorities
Share your ideas

It's all in our 5 minute survey -
developed by locals for Malborough
& South Huish.

SURVEY CLOSSES 7th October 2022

www.malboroughparishcouncil.co.uk
www.southhuish-pc.org.uk
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Emergency & Biodiversity

- o. Parking complaints & enforcement request: Parking complaints have been received for both Higher Town and Lower Town. The school has been informed of the problem, additional Enforcement has also been requested. It should be noted that the school have now addressed the overgrowth that was impacting on visibility along Lower Town.
- p. Contractor Complaint: It was noted that one of our contractors was recently named on a social media page. The contractor issued a response to this on the same day. It should be noted that prior Malborough Parish Council issuing our contract we had taken up glowing references and have always found ALL our contractors to be polite and respectful when dealing with the public.
- q. DCC & DALC Surveys: Councillors have received details of surveys issued by Devon County Council and Devon Association of Local Councils regarding Highways and the impact short term lets have on our communities respectively.
- r. BT Phone box: British Telecom has now agreed to repaint the phone box sited near the Post Office, however, they do not expect it to be actioned until 2023.
- s. My Place My Views. SHDC have launched a pilot scheme called My Place, My Views, to make it easier and simpler for people to have their say about their local areas.
Habits are changing all the time and they want to capture this by testing a new digital platform to help plan for the future. SHDC want residents to give their views on where they live, what they think about their neighbourhoods and the facilities and services available to them.

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To take part in the survey and drop a pin on our interactive map visit <https://pshwd.commonplace.is/>

- t. Milestones Repair/Repaint Update Pinhays Hill: Devon County Council have recently advised that any works required to milestones will have to be funded by the Parish Council.
- u. Growing Communities Fund. The Growing Communities Fund is intended to support proactive, effective, measurable, and sustainable actions to enable individuals and communities to build self-reliance and community resilience, reduce food, fuel inequalities, and improve mental health and wellbeing and respond to the climate emergency.
The fund will provide grant awards of between £500 and £3,000 (though Devon County Council will enter discussions with applicants who have exemplary or innovative projects).
<https://www.devon.gov.uk/communities/growing-communities-fund>
- v. Monthly Checks: Defibrillators, Skate Park, Play Area, Toilets & 3 Utilities Meters. These are undertaken on 1st of each month (or the nearest working day).
- w. Village Hall: No date has been received from the contractor re the car park works. The crumb has now arrived and is in storage until the associated works are able to be undertaken.
- x. Commemorative Plaques and signage: Remain in storage until they can be erected.
- y. The upkeep of the Access Path has now been taken over by SHEPS & Do it All Services.

Appendix B FINANCE:

Accounts to pay for 2022/23 months 5 & 6:

Clerks Salary & HMRC, SHEPS Burial Ground £190 & access path £100, Allotments water £63.81, Public Convenience water £325.47, Cutting Edge Garden Services £275, Geoff Allan £170.81, PKF Littlejohn £480, Jack Stone £100, Malborough Website Annual Payment (due March 2022) £300, Nick Walker Printing £348, Play Inspection Company £390, SHDC Village Hall play area £252, Clive Wrangles £80, SHDC Malborough Pk Play Area £210, Clarke Willmott Baker Estates £1681.20, Hocking Allotment Rent £250
