Leafield Parish Council

CLERK REPORT

Period: From 07 July 2025 to 11 August 2025

1. **July council meeting minutes –** Written and draft published.

2. Council Meeting preparation

- a) Meeting agenda for 12 August Council Meeting created, published on website and posted on noticeboard.
- b) Notes and papers for 12 August Council Meeting written.

3. Pavilion

- a) Subsidence damage –
- Site investigations ongoing.
- No new update.
- Financial Ombudsman work ongoing.

4. Playground and playing field

- a) Playground inspections carried out and reports written.
- b) Annual independent inspection carried out and reports received and reviewed.

5. Village Hall

- a) Purchase order raised for nettle and vegetation removal from Village Hall.
- b) LPA contacted regarding cost of planning applications for Parish Councils.

6. Village Hall Car Park

- a) Car left in car park
- No update waiting for response from DVLA.

7. Churchyard and Burial Ground

- a) Burial ground emails and queries.
- b) Purchase order raised for churchyard wall works.

8. Parish Maintenance

- a) Defibrillators inspected.
- b) Horse chestnut tree on Village Green
- nearby resident contacted regarding works
- purchase order raised for tree removal (contractor will obtain WODC permission for removal)
- removal of horse chestnut posted on website and Facebook.
- c) Benches for Village Green
- out of stock with preferred supplier.
- cost for bench installation obtained.
- d) Tree survey
- received and reviewed, gueries sent to surveyor revised survey received.
- quotation for bramble/ivy removal requested.
- quotation for re-inspection work requested.
- quotation for high and medium works requested.
- information for DAC approval checked.
- e) SID batteries changed.

9. **Community**

a) Permission given for Beer Festival in August subject to receipt of insurance documents and risk assessment.

10. Planning

- a) Planning spreadsheet updated.
- b) Planning letter 25/01418/HHD written and sent.

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- c) Councillors contacted regarding comment re 25/01571/S73.
- d) Research undertaken and comment collated re Local Plan 2041 DM26 policy, sent to Council for approval, entered into consultation system.

11. Finance

- a) Finance system updated.
- b) Payments approved at July meeting processed, and re-entered as did not pass approval process the first time.
- c) Payment report created for August meeting.
- d) Budget update to July created.
- e) Reserves and earmarked reserves updated.
- f) Bank reconciliation carried out.
- g) Monthly payroll and pension completed.
- h) Notice of Conclusion of Audit created and published on website and noticeboard.
- i) External Auditor Report and Certificate published on website.

12. Website and Facebook

a) Updated as required.

13. Administration

- a) Backups run.
- b) Archiving and destruction.
- c) Clerk expense reimbursement forms completed.
- d) Email enquiries answered.
- e) Extra Pavilion keys cut.
- f) Annual leave taken.
- g) New OALC website login set up.

14. Training and CPD

a) SLCC meeting attended.