



Deputy Clerk Report- For information only

Cemetery Tree Work update.

This Year 1 tree work to remove the 3 large Horse Chestnut trees has been chased and is due for completion by the end of this financial year March 2024.

Arcade Boarding up for Ball Game.

This is all in hand for Shrove Tuesday 13th February 2024. The new tenant in Unit 1 has been advised the Town Council carry out this work to protect the Long Street frontages each year.

Westwood Park Play Area – ongoing vandalism.

See photo in Dropbox.

This is the zip wire seat at Westwood Park which was replaced in @March 2023 at a cost of £266.25 As you can see from the photographs it is now having chunks taken out of it again. This is vandalism rather than wear and tear. For now it will continue to be monitored and CCTV are aware.

Bench outside Post Office Sorting Office.

See before and after photos in Dropbox.

These benches dotted around Long Street have always presented a query – who owns them? – who is responsible for them? Answer has been in the past they are not NWBC or WCC. They were put in as part of a Town Improvement grant many years ago. The Town Council though back in @2015/2016 took on to relocate a couple (this being one of them) due to anti-social behaviour and so I think the expectation will be that ATC should maintain them in the same way as they do with the same benches in the market square.

This was forwarded to us from WCC on the 28TH December 2024 as a member of the public had reported it as unsafe.

On our return to work I looked at the bench and spoke to our contractor who looks after all the benches. He informed me he had a spare splat recycled from an old bench which he could use as an emergency repair. He completed this repair in early January 2024.

This report was prepared by the Deputy Town Clerk