**Parish Council – Recreation Ground Meeting Notes**

Date: 15th September 2023

Time: 1pm

Attendees: Councillors: R Ireland (Chairman), C Gay, D Harper, H Colton, E Weatherill

Apologies: Councillors: G Joyce, J Mitchell

The following items were discussed and agreed:-

1. **Position of Tree**

The position of the new hornbeam tree was decided. A wooden guard structure will also be erected to protect the tree from animals/deer etc.

1. **Recreation Ground**

The swing in the recreation ground needs to be replaced because it is split. It was also noted that one of the supports for the 4 x standard swing set is bent. The assessment made was that the bend in the support was unlikely to have compromised the structure. As discussions had been made at the Parish Council Meeting to replace the toddler swings with another item of play equipment, a suggestion was made to use the best supports from the two structures for the 4 x standard swing set when/if new play equipment is installed.

1. **AECOM Proposals**

That the following would be proposed to residents at a public consultation meeting:-

1. On entering the village on the Compton Martin Road for a chicane with flower planters to be placed somewhere before the entrance to the village hall with associated signs kept to a minimum. The aim of this is to slow traffic entering the village on the A368 from the Compton Martin direction whilst causing minimal aesthetic impact to the conservation area at the centre of the village.
2. A minimum sized white dot roundabout to be placed on the Bishop Sutton/East Harptree junction with parking for residents maintained if possible. The aim of this is to slow traffic entering/travelling through the village to/from the Bishop Sutton direction.
3. A virtual pavement from the existing pavement outside “The Old Cottage” to the frontage of “Fernlea”, with the parking space outside “Fernlea” maintained. The aim of this is to increase safety for pedestrians walking from Parsonage close with the minimum aesthetic/quality of life impact to the conservation area and residents.
4. For the 20mph speed limit to be extended further along the Bristol Road. The aim of this is to slow traffic entering the village as well as to increase the safety for pedestrians walking to the amenaties at the village centre.

A discussion was also held about large speeding tractors travelling though the village.

**Actions**

1. To obtain a 3-4m hornbeam tree and construct the wooden surround Cllr C Gay
2. To plant the tree / water the tree Parish Council (TBD)
3. To arrange for the split swing seat to be replaced Cllr H Colton
4. To draw/paint the proposed virtual pavement on a photograph to show the Cllr E Weatherill

aesthetic impact / minimise this.

1. To look into speeding tractors and have GPS installed Cllr C Gay