

**Clerks Report on matters ongoing
@ 18th February 2025**

- **Allotment Composting areas**—Quotations for like for like recycled plastic modular provision and brick-built being to enable true project price comparison, consultation required with allotment holders once quotes considered. – Progressing/ONGOING
- **Defibrillators** – 3rd defibrillator location of streetlamp A14 Hitchin Road identified – research being carried out into costs to purchase, adapt streetlight and install – Last actioned 13/02/2025ONGOING
- **Community School Transport** –research and progression on hold due to adjustment to bus company timetabling being carried out.
- **Budget** –Graphics for website displaying areas of spending/efficiencies made over past 5 years have been created ready to upload onto website and social media target to be published by end of February Progressed/ONGOING.
- **Tree survey** – Tree survey of trees at cemetery and recreation ground conducted – report received, no immediate work required. Quotations being sought for low-risk work to be carried out by July 2025.
- **Repair Café** – Virtual meeting with Share Ampthill held 11th February and 2 Cllrs attended a repair event held 15th February – Agenda item to discuss potential facility for Arlesey within February Agenda- ONGOING
- **Bench and aesthetic improvement project** –Alternative funding stream to be sought and consultation carried out. ONGOING
- **Community Garden Project** –Funding secured and part received groundworks carried out and planters being constructed - ONGOING
- **VE Day 2025 80th Anniversary Commemoration** – Working party formed – 1st meeting scheduled for 19th February 2025– ONGOING
- **Council Action Plan** – Quotation received for strategic plan creation
- **Website updates** – work ongoing around other operational commitments. – ONGOING
- **Martyn's Law** – NALC checklist provided to assist risk assessment updates, insurance provision and evacuation procedures, applying consideration of terrorism threat for public events and buildings. ONGOING
- **Internal Audit** – IAC visit conducted 13th February 2025.
- **Tree whips from Woodland Trust** – 105 tree whips received planted and being transplanted in November 2025. ONGOING
- **West Drive** – Agenda item on February Agenda - investigations underway into potential work suitable for s106 contribution available from BRCC, quotation required for consideration and resident consultation to be undertaken.
- **Resource Centre Service Level Agreement and Lease** – Meeting held with CBC's Head of Library Services to discuss expired lease and resolve anomalies with Service Level Agreement – S106 funding through CBC for a self-service machine and for pre-used redundant library furniture.

- **A507 bridge into Etonbury Wood** – Communications required with Etonbury and Pix Brook Academies to determine any concerns regarding safety of students accessing the school via this route. ONGOING
- **Community Centre External Notice Board** - Clerk to explore options for an additional external notice board designated for informing residents of how they can get involved in their local community. ONGOING
- **Christmas Lighting 2025/26** – Ex display item availability awaited for consideration by council once received.
- **Resource Centre activities/groups** – Research underway into possible activities that can be provided in the Resource Centre. Cllr Arkle attending a Men's mental health presentation February. ONGOING
- **Consultation events** to be scheduled to encourage resident participation in providing opinion to help steer budgeting and strategic direction of council for 2026/27. ONGOING