

## **Bisley Ward Annual Report 2020**

The Ward councillors have remained the same this year.

Plans for the refurbishment of the Sports Pavilion continue. Quotations for capping the chimney, the removal of the fireplace and new flooring have been received. The Pavilion has been well used this year with weekly bookings from Cotswold Juniors Football Club throughout the season on Saturday mornings and occasional bookings from Chalford 4th Team on Saturday afternoons. Unfortunately this has caused parking problems as the car park is inadequate. We hope to be able to extend the car park slightly for next year. The drain in the centre of the car park caused some flooding and has now been replaced but will require routine maintenance in the future.

Work is in progress to acquire the plot of land adjacent to the Windyridge Play Area from Stroud District Council for a nominal sum and is in the hands of the solicitors.

We continue to implement our Tree Policy to replace any trees which are lost and is now integral to our responses to planning applications for tree removals. New trees have been planted on the margin of the King George V Playing Field.

Our allotments continue to be in demand with new plots being started. Following requests from allotment tenants, a Compost Loo was installed on site, and officially opened by Ken Stevens, Chair of the Charity of the Ancient Parish of Bisley in October 2019. The Parish Council, the Charity of the Ancient Parish of Bisley and Bisley Community Composting Scheme (whose visitors and school groups will benefit from the availability of such a facility) made generous grants to enable the loo to be built.

Traffic calming remains a priority with a Speedwatch Group led by Martin Brown being set up in response to a petition from local residents. We are once again looking into ways to deter speeding through the village.

Last summer Bisley played a starring role in an Agatha Christie film and the Parish Council received a donation of £6000 as recompense for the inconvenience of having the High Street closed for filming. The community voted to use this sum towards traffic calming measures of some kind.

Lesley Greene and Martin Brown have played an active part in drawing up the Neighbourhood Development Plan and organising public consultation. I would like to thank my fellow councillors for all the hard work they have put in.

Hazel Saunders  
Bisley Ward Chairman