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Clerks Report November 2023

The apple pressing event took place on October 7th and was enjoyed by everyone. Thank you to Mark and Peter for their help on the day. At the same time Rachael led a wreath making session that went down very well and some fabulous autumnal creations were made!

The Repair Café held a successful recruitment morning and held their first session on Saturday 11th November. Over a dozen items were brought along for repair and more than half were able to be fixed there and then! Donations were generous and the money can then be used to purchase supplies.

On Friday 10th we held our 2nd Remembrance Observance. It attracted approx. 30 residents. We had a range of speakers including pupils from Oakmeadow, the RBL and members of the clergy. Next years date of Monday 11th November has been pencilled in.

Peter and I attended 2 useful exhibitions that happened on the same day at the NEC. The Highways exhibition – we met several providers of SIDs and also providers of street furniture. The 2nd was Solar and Storage which was fascinating, we made contact with some UK based companies (although all the kit in the very large hall is made in China). We will be having a meeting this week with a provider to discuss battery storage from our solar panels and maybe even upgrading what we have?

Broadband at the Pavilion – I have found out that the site does not have a registered address and therefore the broadband company won't help us. I have spoken to the Royal Mail and Shropshire Council and have the application to make it a "proper" address.

A new bench has been installed on Landsdowne Road next to the bus stop.

I have access to the Co-op Accounts! Finally, after more than a year, they have also sent £75 to us in way of an apology for the service.

The street light survey has begun this week.

We continue to try and source quotes for different jobs but it is proving frustrating even to get responses, which slows projects down.

Staffing

From November 29th until January 19th, we will only have 2 handypeople at any one time due to annual leave. Myself and Peter have the normal days away between Xmas and New Year.

EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY

The Christmas tree will arrive on November 28th

Carols on The Parade – 12th December (Village Association)

Jingleations at Parrs – 16th Dec (Jingleations group)