

RFO Report 19.07.22

- The works at the Recreation Ground are continuing, most recently the:-
 - The annual play area inspections are scheduled to take place this week on Thursday, I negotiated these free of charge last year. There has been a meeting with the WUSC football team to discuss necessary remedial works for the pitch for this season and quotes will be secured once the dry spell has passed. The play area repairs contract has now been awarded at Full Council and I am awaiting the date when the works can commence.
 - Income has now started to be generated for the front community space on a regular basis to community groups – there are Spanish classes facilitated by Your Leisure as part of the Wellbeing scheme and we have a Banking Hub operating from September on a Friday. There are other groups and it is hoped that we can achieve between £10,000 and £12,000 per annum.
 - We are continuing to conduct once weekly assistance to BPC and this service is another income stream at present.

The Town Clerk/RFO will be working this summer on a review of the arrangements that the Town Council has for a website, financial software and general IT provision; reports will be shared in due course.

The recent VAT claim for the period 1st April to 30th June has been submitted and is a total of £1,264.66.

Following the popular town map last year, Becky has updated for us this year and we have just had 1,000 printed. The total cost is for design and printing - £344.26.

We have friendly football matches already booked for August so we are hoping to generate more income this year from the football pitch. Vic has worked hard and the changing rooms are much improved, the shower room and team rooms in particular have had face lifts.