Alderbury PC – Correspondence Received

- 1. Alderbury Circular Countryside Footpath: Update Report to Parish Council 7th December
 - **Permissive path by the side of "Crossfields"** = the rerouting has been successful and the path becoming fully established as more walkers use it. There are signs it's less muddy than the old path that was ten yards further in towards the orchid field. The Footpath team have inspected the area and remaining roots above ground level fully removed.
 - **The valley towards Greenset House** = This remains 'work in progress.' Franklin White has placed metal sleepers to act as a 'bridge' crossing over the wet area in the dip. This is a temporary measure and improvement until he's able to effectively drain the site and complete work to establish a better route alongside the fence.
 - Wood shavings on muddy sections = The footpath team have recently collected two dozen bags of wood shavings and placed them over several muddy sections of the footpath in the valley area to reinforce and assist path drainage.
 - **Fenced-off area** = The hole created by a contractor has been cordoned off and does not present a health and safety issue. Franklin White is working to effect a repair on the subsidence with a new drainage pipe and earth covering.
 - **New volunteers =** Two local residents have expressed an interest in joining the footpath team next year. Please can the Parish Council note a budget implication for 2022 as initial training, including provision of their safety equipment, costs circa £110 per person.

2. TTRO - Shute End Road, Alderbury and Clarendon Park: 18-20 January 2022 07:00-19:00 <u>https://one.network/?tm=122964989</u>

3. Temporary Closure of: Footpath 16, Alderbury (27.01.2022) – documents circulated.

4. Speeding Vehicles – Avon Drive

We have a big problem on Avon Drive at the moment, firstly people seem to thinks its ok to bomb down the road until it splits & then continue at speed around the oak tree & back out again! The same on the other side to Priory Close & around the fir tree, how long before a child gets hit let alone an animal? They also have no conception of the fact that the road is packed with parked cars & you cannot see around any of the corners, this has been a problem for some time as unfortunately the estate was not built with the numbers of cars in mind. I am not sure how you tackle these problems but it's of concern to a lot of the residents such as myself living there, maybe increasing the "bumps" already there?

5. Oak Trees – Avon Drive

The glorious oak & the seedling (that's now as tall) across from it. I hate felling trees but many years ago when I was on the council, residents were asking that the sapling be taken down as it was starting to cause a lack of light in the flats, it is now huge but it is also covered in ivy. The large oak has lost many smaller limbs in the last few weeks when it has been windy but some of the larger ones I think are cause for concern. We are in the stormy season & I think it may need looking at before it does cause some real damage to properties. The other issue as I have mentioned is the lack of light when it is full of leaves, the flats do not get any sunlight & I have to say that it's increase in size over the years is now affecting a good deal of properties on our side of the road. I do believe there is a right to light? When we had a storm about 6 weeks ago, I was genuinely concerned & I think it is time to look & see if some reduction could be made? I know matters like this are referred to the tree specialist but I & a lot of others would appreciate it being looked into.

6. Southern Wiltshire Area Board, Thursday 9 December 2021, 7.00 pm To see the publicly available information, follow the link: <u>Agenda details</u>