



TILNEY ALL SAINTS PARISH COUNCIL
Parish Clerk's Report July 2025

BT Box Repairs

12/6/25 Cllr Laughton and Pitt will arrange for a date.

26/6/25 Reminder sent to Cllr Pitt, Laughton and Hodgeson.

Additional CCTV Camera – Millennium Green Car Park

May 2025: Order placed for additional CCTV camera. Awaiting installation date.

New SIM cards need to be purchased, and a contract set up in name of the Parish Council.

Additional CCTV awareness signs to be installed by Cllr Mole on the entrance gates to the car park and around the car park area.

28/5/25 CTS security due to install an additional camera as well as carry out a maintenance inspection, previously postponed by Stella. Will need to wait for SIM cards for install to happen. Cllr Mole messaged for SIM update. Waiting for a response from Experian. Also mentioned getting CCTV signs increased above eye level for increased visibility, work can be completed by fencers.

17/06/25 – CTS called to schedule work. Advised we were still waiting resolution of SIM issue.

Access to CCTV Footage

The Clerk and Cllrs Laughton and Mole have attempted to purchase the new 4G SIM cards required for the CCTV cameras.

Due to out-of-date contact information for the Parish Council being held when Vodafone undertook checks, we were unable to complete the purchase and set up monthly contract.

I am now trying to get this information updated in order to proceed but Vodafone would not inform us where this information was held and who by.

Advice has been sought from NALC, SLCC and the Borough Council.

29/5/25 Still awaiting information from Experian.

Update? Can we start again with new SIM if problematic?

Millennium Green – Relocation of Dog Waste Bin

12/6/25 - Handyman contacted to relocate the dog waste bin.

26/6/25 - Reminder sent to Cllr Laughton (to liaise with handyman).

Millennium Green – Maintenance of Willow Tree at Car Park Entrance

3/6/25 – School confirmed it had got onto their contractors to make sure the job was still on their list. Also asked them to check the fence between teacher's car park and MG car park as fence posts are rotten and wires are hanging out dangerously.

19/06/25 – School confirmed works on willow tree in MGCP will commence July 18.

Millennium Green – Fencing

3/6/25 – Companies contacted re: Replacing 13 sections of fencing.

23/6/25 – Fencer advised start date would likely be about 14/7/25

Play Area Inspections

Confirmation received from RoSPA that the annual play equipment safety inspections (Glebe Estate and Millennium Green) are due to be undertaken in June 2025.

3/7/25 – Contacted RoSPA who confirmed inspection has happened but report not yet sent, and payment not taken.

Replacement Street Name Plates (SNP)

May 2025 - Replacement SNPs have been ordered via BCKLWN for the Glebe Estate and Church Lane at its junction with Church Road.

Update? Have they arrived? Who will fit them? When?

Village Gateway Signs

As agreed at the meeting held in April 2023 all four village gateway signs are to be painted.

12/6/25 – Date set as 20/6/25 1030am for work to be completed.

27/6/25 – John Pitt has completed painting the gateway signs.

Website Accessibility Statement

18/6/25 – NALC quote of £50 + VAT accepted. Awaiting payment to be approved.

Dogwood Bush between MG car park and Green.

4/6/25 Bush is overgrown and obstructs visibility to the play park, so it needs cutting back to the fence. Also, the lower branches of tree needs cutting to improve visibility that side.

26/6/25 - Work to be completed on 12 July.

Verges: Church Lane

29/5/25 – chaser email sent. Response received saying they have contracted it to Norse Highways to do the work soon.

17/6/25 – Borough County Council have confirmed they have passed over to contractor.

Tilney All Saints Primary School Fence Replacement

13/6/25 – questions raised over whether it is a school or highways issue.

14/6/25 – emailed Andrew Wallace for confirmation.

25/6/25 – School contractor got in contact to say fence was not a school issue and would need to go to Highways. Contacted Highways for advice.

2/7/25 They are discussing and will respond when they have a definitive answer.

Extra funds ideas

Article in newsletter asking for parishioners' thoughts. Any initial thoughts from councillors on areas we can look to improve in the Parish?

Some ideas for consideration...

2 new gates for MG? One for main entrance, one for entrance onto MG. Plus the fencing section between the gates?

Flower beds? Overpower the weeds alongside the Church Road perimeter of MG and plant flowers like bluebells, wildflowers and evergreen bushes. Verge on the junction of School, Church and Shepherds gate Roads would also be a good location for flower beds. Can perhaps search for other verge locations outside of central village.

New road signs?

Lynn Rd (School Rd end – dilapidated, weathered, chipped, moss/lichen, posts degraded),
School Rd (Lynn Rd end – in bush, tarnished, oxidised, discoloured, bent, graffiti-etched),
School Rd (at junction – faded, weathered, oxidised, dulled, supports aged and dull),
Shepherds gate Rd (School Rd end – sign shattered, stained, dishevelled, supports bent)
Any other locations in desperate need of a new road sign? Signs are 30-40+ years old.

New bus stop pole and signs? Neglected, corroded, rusty, weathered, faded. Can try bus company ahead of raising to county council?

Culvert-related costs?

Fill wide cracks in pavements on Church Road?

Previous Clerk correspondence

It seems the Parish Clerk has not been getting postal correspondence as previous clerk address is set up to receive everything. I have updated recent companies. Neither locum clerk Stella nor previous clerk Lisa say they have received anything.

Passwords

I would encourage everyone to update their passwords for their emails and council-related apps. As a general rule, we should be updating our passwords every three months. A strong password has 14 characters or greater and should be a mixture of lower case, upper case, numbers and symbols, not including obvious guessable words.

Whatsapp group

26/6/25 - Created a Parish Council group on WhatsApp so we can share updates easier. Any councillors who want to be added to contact Clerk.

GPO cabinet – Shepherdsgate Road

26/6/25 - Spoken to Openreach re cabinet removal, it's about 60 years old and possibly decommissioned. They were very confused about it in India and didn't know what GPO was. Also spoken about replacing rotting backstays on phone poles on School Rd. Ongoing.

Facebook Group

26/6/25 - Looking to get more updates published here. Only 3 followers currently! Should be plenty of updates over the summer as events guide has something happening every day so it will be a chance for visibility.

Shepherdsgate Road Litter

26/6/25 - Reported litter problem in Shepherdsgate Road in February and unconvinced Serco did the work. Chased up and they have said dealing within 5 working days.

TAS Primary School – Ongoing alarm issues

20/6/25 - Raised investigation with Primary School and they explained that bugs are causing alarm to be triggered. It is a seasonal issue. They have advised the sensors are to be cleaned to remove cobwebs etc. Alarm company examination at start of July.

Newsletter Update

Developed a longer magazine-style summer issue. Had some issues with the Parish Website using an outdated style so have updated to a modern style. Still problems integrating a calendar. Delayed approaching businesses for advertising.

Parish Council email addresses

Please bring your laptop or phones to meeting if you are unable to access your tilneyallsaintsparishcouncil.gov.uk email as we need to be using them to be compliant. You can also download the Zoho Mail app on your phone. Will attempt remediation at meeting. Please ensure Zoho Mail is already downloaded as bad reception in village hall.

Police Patrols

3/7/25 requested update from neighbourhood team who have increased patrols and checked MGCP and Lily's Playpark. No incidents have been reported.