

CHAIR'S REPORT – DECEMBER

Free trees

- Biffa, Stratford-upon-Avon had 20 trees to give away. We applied for some, and were delighted to receive two different species of apple and a damson.

One in Riverlands to replace dead crab apple tree.

One in jubilee to replace a dead birch.

One in Littleworth in the middle of what will be a wild flower bed.

Thanks very much to Biffa!

- The Clerk now has an Enhanced DBS Certificate in order to work with the Youth Council. This has been shared with the school.
- In line with our commitment to bring the JPC's Policies up to date and also add policies which NALC recommends a Parish Council of this size should have in place, we'll be adopting a further three today – Social Media, Youth Council, and Agenda Working Party Terms of Reference.
- Man hole cover in Station Road has been fixed so no more rattling! Work was supposed to be carried out on manhole cover on the High Street too in November – put sentence in however Severn Trent had to abandon due to parked cars. Scheduled in again on 18 January.
- Stylers Way update on lighting – On Stylers Way WCC maintains one luminaire and three electricity supplies, with three more due for reinstatement; contractors are addressing the damaged carriage-arch light, and assessing fixing wall mounted lighting units - new units are ready at the depot to be installed once assessment completed
- Monkey run update on lighting – We've been advised that National Grid will return on Monday 8 December to try and restore the power supply to the feeder pillar. If this cannot be fixed, they will look at diverting the supply to one of the footpath columns so that some lighting can be provided. In the meantime, WCC's contractor is reviewing whether a temporary overhead supply can be installed safely if repairs fail. Further updates will be provided as soon as we have them. Please be assured that the JPC is chasing WCC every couple of days for updates.

- Process is now under way for JPC's new website so we are compliant with Assertion 10
- We are currently seeking a new Internal Auditor