

Pavilion gets new doors and windows

Cormac Neeson, for the Cricket Club, reports on recent developments on the Village Green:

“You may have witnessed some improvements to the cricket changing rooms on the Green recently. The Cricket Club have been undertaking a programme of refurbishment of the facility, with a repainting of the building and then the replacement of the old doors and windows with new ones. Also, a new bench has been installed in front of the pavilion. This has been in large part thanks to the generosity of two benefactors to the club, who have donated the money to make it possible. One was the former captain and then chairman of the club, Mike Butt. He sadly died last year, but very kindly left the club a donation in his will as well as funding a new bench. The other donor being a very generous local supporter of cricket and the cricket club, to whom we are extremely grateful.”



“Next year the club would like to continue this work inside the building, but this will be dependent on us raising funds. So the cricket club would be delighted to hear from any other generous and supportive people out there, who would be willing and able to contribute to that work, and to ensure the continuation of cricket in the village for the future.”

“Sadly, on a more unhappy note, there have been more incidents of vandalism and criminal damage to the changing rooms this year again. During the spring a number of windows were broken, then a couple of weeks later, the perpetrators returned and broke into the building, causing more damage and stealing some property. The cricket club had to pay nearly £1000 for repairs to the roller last year (and in previous years), and we would ask parents to stop their children from riding or "playing" on the roller, or vandalising the buildings or other equipment, as it is potentially dangerous and repairs are expensive, and could even lead to prosecution.”

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