## Abbey Hill Parish Council (AHPC)

## Annual Update 2021/22



**New Website developed:** We redeveloped our website in 2021 and it is now being populated with community information.

Visit <u>www.abbeyhillpc.org.uk</u> for latest news, parish documents, meeting minutes and other local information. Let us know about your community activities so we can help share your news.

**High Street and Church Fencing Project:** The old post and rail fencing from the chip shop to the church had become dilapidated. AHPC funded the replacement fencing using recycled materials to improve safety and the visual environment. See photos on our website.

**Radcote Lodge Fencing Project:** The fencing on Clay Hill adjacent to Radcote Lodge protecting the steep slope to the road was in poor condition and causing safety concerns. AHPC funded the replacement fencing. See photos on our website

**One Stop Shop Cobbles Repairs:** The cobbles and tree pits outside One Stop Shop were in a bad state of repair and had become an eyesore. AHPC funded the repairs and refreshing of the tree pits.

**Replacement Christmas Tree:** AHPC replaced the Horseshoe Christmas tree in central TMA with a new Norway Spruce as the old tree was in a poor state.

**Christmas Tree Power Supply:** Milton Keynes Council advised us that from 2021 we would no longer be able to use the existing lighting column power supply for our annual Christmas light display. So AHPC funded the installation of a new power supply cabinet and connection to the new tree. The result was splendid.

**Hepleswell/Chardacre Play Park repainting:** In a project initiated by AHPC, following requests from the public, we funded the repainting of this playpark and worked with Milton Keynes Council who offered to fund foliage and broken fencing improvement at the same time.

## **Mental Health Support:**

We have provided grant support this year to YiS (mkyis.org.uk) to support young residents in Two Mile Ash.

## Support for local volunteer groups:

We have supported local groups this year including TMA Environmental Group and the Community Garden volunteers.

**Environmental Fault Log:** We maintain a fault log of environmental issues in the parish which is reviewed monthly. We are regularly chasing Milton Keynes Council who are responsible for most of the issues. These have included failed streetlights, dangerous electrical cabinets doors missing, uneven footpaths, broken fencing, overgrown foliage etc. Email us if you have any concerns.

**Milton Keynes Play Association:** This year once again AHPC funded a series of play sessions in the central park during the school holidays both at Easter and in the summer.

**Wymbush Redway clearance**: Earlier in 2021, AHPC volunteers cleared the redway from TMA towards the Bradwell Abbey footbridge plus another nearby to widen available space for cyclists & pedestrians.

**Dog Bin Maintenance:** AHPC continue to fund 13 dog waste bins in the parish (12 weekly collections + 1 twice a week).

**Extra Litter Bin Installed:** AHPC installed an extra (blue) litter bin next to the Downland field where significant littering had taken place. We now fund four extra weekly waste bin collections (additional to MK Council collections).

Abbey Hill Parish Council is run by five unpaid volunteers and a part time clerk. If you wish to contact us, email abbeyhpc@gmail.com