

- 1) Bramble hedges have all been cut back to the original fencing - not seen for over 20 years. Fence posts rotted in places. Have approached Cllr Dunn who will look into replacing the posts. The wire fence appears okay. This has increased the size of the play area considerably. When the weather improves grass seed will be sown hopefully to get these areas back to grass. (Grass seed purchased and held by Lyn Crisp) All hedging and brambles have now been removed from site. This work has been carried out at no cost by Lyn Crisp and Teresa Mudford.
 - 2) Rubber matting for new equipment has been delivered to Lyn Crisp.
 - 3) Friday 8th Caledonian Play should arrive to put the new Climbing Wall in place. Whilst they are there Lyn Crisp will ask the best way to protect the wood on the Basket Swing and Double Swing.
 - 4) 5 Bar gate has been 'dug out' by Lyn Crisp following damage caused by ROW.
 - 5) Gate from Mill Lane needed a new post. This has been replaced by Nick Mudford together with a new 'catch' on the gate.
 - 4) Work needing to be carried out:
 - a) Goal Posts to be rubbed down and coated with white hammarite paint. Nets to be hung. (paint has been purchased and new nets are being held by Lyn Crisp.
 - b) Chain/ post walk and Slide/Wonky Bridge need repainting. We hopefully still have some paint for these items.
 - c) Baby Swing needs repainting. Hopefully have enough spray hammarite paint for this.
 - d) Seesaw appears okay although height from seat needs to be checked prior to RoSPA inspection.
 - e) Picket fence around play area needs repainting. Paint has been purchased and is with Lyn Crisp.
 - f) Two seats are beyond repair and need replacing. Would suggest one seat be replaced in the play area corner (close to new fence) with a picnic table. All seating needs to be secured into the ground.
- It may be possible to rub down and make good the bench seat at the Mill Lane end of the Playing Field.
- g) Area around Clapps Mead engraved Stone needs to be cut back and the stone cleaned.

New ranch post and wire fencing has been erected in the play area by Mike Kelson and George Dunn.

Goal Posts have been rubbed down and painted with white hammarite paint. New nets have been hung.

Chain Post walk has been repainted.

Wonky Bridge/slide have been repainted.

Seesaw has been repainted with special metal paint.

Baby Swing has been repainted with special metal paint.

Picket fence has been repainted with Fencelife.

Two seats in and near to Play Area have been refurbished and repainted.

Slatted seat at Mill Lane end has been re stained and mended.

Commemorative Clapps Mead stone has been refurbished showing clearly the 'message'.

All new Signs have been screwed in and placed including new ones for the gates of the play area saying NO DOGS ALLOWED IN PLAY AREA

Work still needed to be done: Clearing both the brook to the south and ditch to the north adjacent to residential garden.

WORKFORCE: Hedge Removal: Lyn Crisp and Teresa Mudford.
Replacement of post and rail fencing: George Dunn and Mick Kelson.
Commemorative Stone and two seats. Shay Divine.
Fence Painting: Teresa Mudford, Lyn Crisp, George Dunn, Mick Kelson
Play Equipment: Lyn Crisp, Lee Martin and Teresa Mudford.

A new Rowan Tree commemorating the life of Kate Geraghty will be planted near the Commemorative Stone in September by The Chideock Society.

Teresa Mudford and I feel that we have maintained the Playing Field and Play Area diligently for the last 17 years and feel that our days of painting, hedge removing etc., are now over. We will continue to monitor the Playing Field and Play Area and for this current year Teresa will continue to mow the Play Area and strim where necessary. We feel it best to point this out now to the Parish Council as funds may need to be budgeted for these works in future years with no 'voluntary labour available'. Perhaps it would be an idea for the PC to put in place a working committee with regard to Clapps Mead to safeguard its future.

Lyn Crisp