

Item 11L

Ball Grove

The Clerk met with officers from Pendle Borough Council on 14th January to see if they could identify any trip hazards within the play area.

One of the officers looked at the RoSPA report and gave their opinion that, as the ones identified were very low risk (number 1) then they would not need urgent attention.

Whilst at Ball Grove, the Clerk and the officers identified two areas where it would benefit but is not a mandatory requirement to fill the area in front of the right-hand side corner of the swings and the corner of the smaller climbing frame area. These can be done in spring as they are very low risk.



There is some shrinking of the safety surfacing but this is well within tolerance and does not need any urgent remedial works. It is something that the contractor of the weekly inspections will monitor and raise if and when it becomes more of a risk.

Whilst we were there, I asked that the officers take a look at the path from the corner of the car park onto the road. This is well within tolerance of a step onto a footpath, and they see that, due to the tree roots, it could not be created to finish at road height.

At the car park end of this path, some of the aggregate has settled and would benefit from filling with the stone that is currently cited on the Parish Council's storage area further along the track. This suggestion will be added to the February Parish Council meeting agenda so Councillors can determine whether these works should be carried out.

