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PROPOSAL FOR A PERMANENT SHELTER on the BANFIELD RECREATION GROUND

Although the group that first suggested it has disbanded, the Council is open to an initiative that might broaden use of the recreation ground as a space for everyone.

Proposed: A 3m x 6m pergola open on all sides, with pent (sloping) roof covered with roofing felt, and with a base of reinforced concrete slab of sufficient size to allow supporting posts to be bolted in, flush to ground for ease of mowing.

Location: between WI bench and mower shed, aligned with sheds in rear gardens behind, and behind the extent of race circuit lines painted for the School Sports Day.

COST: IRO £3k funded by Parish Council funds and (hopefully) an Area Board Grant.



The recreation ground is bordered by the conservation area on the north/west end (where it is proposed to site the structure) and the curtilages of four listed buildings.

Therefore, advice from the Local Planning Authority has been sought (and is awaited) as to whether planning permission may be needed.

Would you be supportive?

Is there anything you think we should take into consideration?

A SECOND DEFIBRILLATOR?



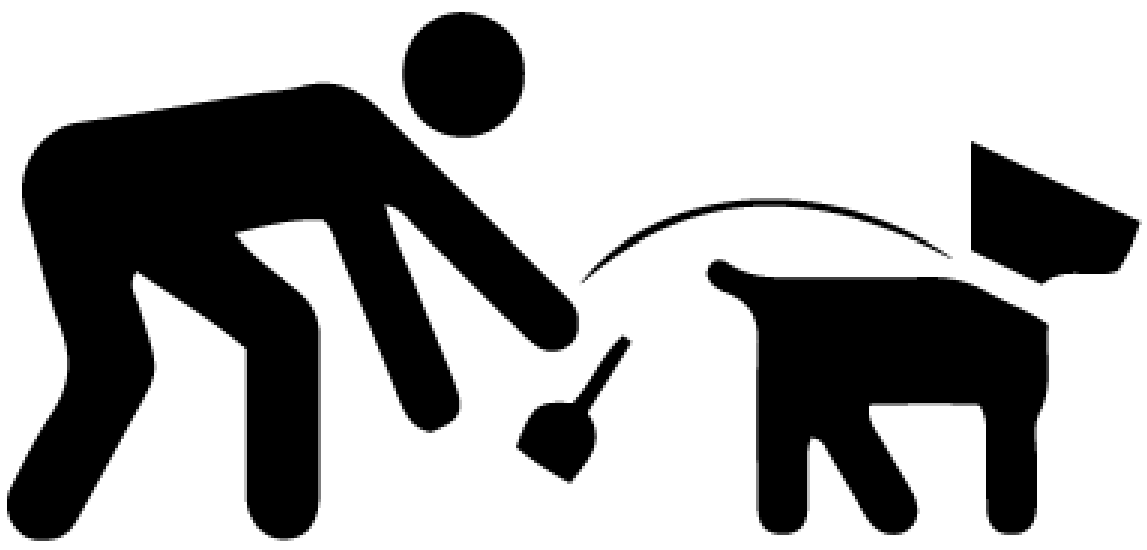
We are currently investigating options to provide a second defibrillator in the village. Subject to funding, planning and landowner consent, and technical feasibility, we are considering the possibility of relocating the existing School defibrillator to the external wall of the school.

This will make the device permanently accessible to residents, even when the school is closed, and will be quicker to access for those that live in the vicinity of Keevil Manor, and further west along Main Street.

The current device is designed for use indoors, so it is likely we would be looking for a new external cabinet, power supply and external lighting similar to that at the village hall – costs potentially IRO £700-£1500.

Would you be supportive?

If so, do you think it should take priority over other proposals, or can it wait?



POOP BAG SCHEME

Like many rural villages, every once in a while the actions (or non-actions) of a tiny minority undoes all the good of the vast majority of our conscientious dog walking community.

So, Keevil volunteers started our scheme in April 2024, which the Parish Council supports with funds for supplies. There are now seven dispensers deployed:

1. By the waste bin next to the Recreation Ground;
2. On the waste bin by the bus stop opposite Field Head on Main St;
3. On the 30mph sign near the Manor on Main Street;
4. On the waste bin on Towmead Lane;
5. At the end of Martins Lane;
6. At the end of Martins Road;
7. On the gate behind the Church.

They are provided for dog walkers who may have forgotten or run out of their own supplies while on a walk, but – increasingly - whole rolls are being taken, which is unfair to other dog walkers and the volunteers who fill up the dispensers.

Over the last 2 years, the Parish Council has spent £68.55 on 5 packs of 30 rolls and a few extra dispensers to start us off. We have now sourced cheaper rolls at under £7 for a 30 roll pack.

Would you like the scheme to continue or stop?