Environmental Report – March 2026

Environment Maintenance & Parish Warden

The Parish Warden has removed moss from Oaklands playa area and has started mowing in the parish such as the mown footpaths through the 'fields' and has continued with his weekly litter picking and strimming the weeds on the road splitters and quadrants and the steps to the side of Parsonage Way. He has also prepared and seeded additional seedbeds alongside the main roads through the parish. This year there will be 18 beds, fingers crossed we have a more favourable growing season.

There have been some appreciative comments on Facebook of the on the work the Warden and the Place team have been doing in the parish.

The Parish Warden has completed training to operate the 'chipper' equipment this month and has also now completed another module of Traffic Management training, which will be valid for 5 years. This also means he can become accredited for Lengthsmans duties. He is currently awaiting his ecard qualification for his recent training. Once received we will submit to Worcestershire County Council. Neil will be on leave w/c 20/4/26.

Wainwright Road

Parking on grass verges in Wainwright Road on Warriors match days is still continuing, however due to the ground being harder less damage is being caused.

White Gates replacement signage

The supplier has been contacted and they have agreed to come and fix the signs to the gates, when they are in the area. *No further update*

Benches

The bench kits for 2 x benches at Sudeley park are now on order. – awaiting update re delivery.

Play Areas

A meeting has been arranged with Worcester City Council lead for children's play areas for 21 April to discuss improvements at the greenspace next to Trevithick Close and also the play park at the rear of the Lyppard Hub.

Footpaths - Divorced footpaths

No further update

Ash Dieback & Tree Management
No further update to report.

Resident Complaints

Awaiting further action

Wain Green (Off Marsh Avenue) - Resident reported concerns with trees overhanging the car park. To be followed up by Cllr Merriman. *Still outstanding*

Woodgreen Drive - hedge reduction opposite Woodgreen church (rear of Broadfield Gardens). This has been left due to in accessibility by the tractor and flail and the position of a road sign. I have contacted the Tree Officer reminding him this is still outstanding and he confirmed it would be done before the end of March. *- remains outstanding*

Homestead Avenue – resident has concerns regarding a tree on the boundary of their property. Resident advised they are able to trim back the overhanging foliage to their boundary. Ownership being investigated

Rydal Close - Resident advised her property is outside of the parish and so we are unfortunately unable to assist her, but referred her to speak to her local councillor City Councillor Riaz.

Apex ponds
Awaiting update from solicitor. DWT signed contract mid-March. Clerk to chase our solicitor.

Fencing
Repairs to fencing at Newark Green – met with parish Warden on site 8/4/26 to discuss the 'line' of the replacement fencing. Another site meeting with the Works unit to be arranged to discuss the type of bollard.

Repair to 'Kick rail' at Longthorpe reported in last month's report has now been completed.

Trotshill Lane East footpath to play area – Parish Warden has advised repair needed to fence. Post and two rails to be sourced.

Councillor Dawn Merriman (Environment)
9 April 2026