

CAT UPDATE – 8 JUNE 2026

Stoneleigh Road Allotments

- We now have all the tenant/plots/fee info from TDC.
- Barry Jones has recommended to TDC that they budget £5000 for capital works required to get the allotments into fit state (mainly skip and additional tree / hedge works and clearance). He is recommending this is given to the LPC to be completed in autumn after nesting season. ***Awaiting sign off from TDC.***
- Awaiting Land Registry title to be updated/created and TR1 from lawyers.
- Michael and Sophie have visited the allotments on several occasions and spoken to a few of the allotments holders. Very positive in general and very useful ideas and info.
- With help from one of the allotments holders, we have now set up a WhatsApp group - this is very positive and has already created a lot of excitement and goodwill.
- They are all very happy to muck in and help to help remove rubbish (if we can get a skip) and help with ongoing upkeep. They are very keen to build a community there. Other thoughts are to get in the scouts (one of the neighbours is scout leader) or DofE students to help do some clearing work over a weekend under direction of us and the allotment holders.
- We suggested an informal meeting with them in the pub to discuss what needs to be done, what they'd like moving forward etc. There is a lot of goodwill and some great new tenants.
- **Ongoing Suggestions:**
 - Skinny end plot which would be great location for communal compost, water butt etc.
 - Suggestion to build a structure - shed or covered pergola that can collect water into a communal butt. Some of the adjoining houses are happy to help with water within reason.
 - Potential for coded gate at the end of the access path to deter any unwanted visitors.

Tidys Green

- Treeworks scheduled for 17–18 June (stump retained for biodiversity).
- Possible new tree planting, subject to neighbour agreement.
- Awaiting TR1 to complete transfer.
- Regular mowing to follow.

Ellice Road Car Park

- Ocean Parking appointed; positive and community-focused approach.
- Contract drafted; amendments underway (MT).
- Agreement from Mulberry to split TR1 and asset register / financials 50:50 between councils.
- Proposed capital works (awaiting approval):
 - £7,000 fence completion
 - £7,000 surface repairs and re-lining
 - Additional pedestrian area surfacing improvements

Next Steps

- Await TR1 for review and signature.
- Draft action and communications plan with Ocean Parking.
- Finalise Joint Committee terms and management structure.
- Set up bank account.
- Hold joint meeting to approve contract and TR1.
- Target transfer: mid-July.