

TOWN CLERK'S PROJECT UPDATE

I am delighted with the way all Ludlow Town Council's projects are progressing, and I'm looking forward to hearing your views on the Linney Riverside Park & Castle Gardens consultation. The Buttercross is about to enter its second phase of renovation, which will include extensive works to the cupola. Unfortunately, the current scaffolding used for light inspection work will need to be removed, and replaced with scaffolding strong enough to allow the cupola to be lifted, and repositioned for the renovation work to take place. We will keep you informed and ask for your views as project develop and we are keen for you to share your views with us.

Veronica Calderbank, Town Clerk



THE LINNEY RIVERSIDERSIDE PARK

The Linney is a popular area with residents and visitors. Ludlow Town Council is researching ways to improve the facilities for users of all ages. Special Projects Officer, Christopher Bayliss said, 'We have obtained grant funding for water level monitoring system and canoe access point, but further work is required to protect the river bank, we have lost eight foot in the last year.' Ludlow Town council has applied for a 'Play Builder' grant from Shropshire Council for up to £50,000 of play equipment. There are also plans to improve the car park, provide a picknick area and recreational facilities.

Consultation on the Linney will take place in February & March. We are also working on a bid for Castle Gardens and walks, preparing plans and a draft proposal to present to the public to ensure we are providing an environment that will be enjoyed and be of benefit to the town.walks.

Councillors would like a play area designed to be accessible suit the location, make use of natural elements, and provide a wide range of play experiences for children of different ages.

Look out for Linney Play Area Consultation in local press, and www.ludlow.gov.uk.



Play Area Consultation early 2010

BUTTERCROSS – PHASE I

Phase I lower level restoration and improvement works at the Buttercross have commenced, and all work is progressing on schedule.

BUTTERCROSS – PHASE II

Phase II will involve repair of the weather-vane, cupola, bell tower, roof and leadwork, and re-painting & gilding where appropriate. Detailed of the Phase II specification is available at www.ludlow.gov.uk – follow the 'Project Updates' link.

Tendering for Phase II is now closed. A Buttercross Phase II Tender Evaluation Working Group met on Friday 5th February 2010 and make recommendations to the Council meeting on Monday 8th February. To find out more at www.ludlow.gov.uk - 'Project Updates'



Buttercross Cupola

HENELY ROAD CEMETERY

The drainage works completed last year have been a great success and plans are underway to renovate and resurface pathways. The Council is also planning works to the Cemetery Chapel doors and the installation of ramp access to the toilet facilities.

SKATEBOARD & BMX TRAINING

Ludlow Town Council will be running a series of Skateboard, and later BMX workshops, at Wheeler Road Skate Park. From April, there will be Sunday sessions for boys and girls of all ages, with more session planned for the Summer holidays. Watch local press and www.ludlow.gov.uk for more details.



LUDLOW YOUTH FESTIVAL 24th JULY 2010

Ludlow Assembly Rooms and Ludlow Town Council are making plans for the second Youth Festival on 24th July 2010 at Wheeler Road Skate Park. Watch www.ludlow.gov.uk and local press for info