

## ADDERBURY PARISH COUNCIL

<b>Date of Parish Council Meeting</b>	Tuesday 26 November 2019
<b>Agenda Item Number</b>	Item 9 (iii)
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<b>Title of Report</b>	Railway Embankment Bridge parapet
<b>Summary</b>	To discuss whether any maintenance is required to the bridge parapet on the Railway Embankment, next to the Lucy Plackett Playing Field, following the Report from the structural engineer.
<b>Recommendation</b>	<p>That no action be taken at present but that the cracks should be kept under observation and Wellan (or an alternative qualified engineer who should be provided with a copy of this report) should be asked to carry out a further inspection.</p> <p>That Wellan to be asked for an indication of the timing of any further inspection – perhaps 5 years?</p> <p>That two Councillors are appointed to keep the cracks under observation – perhaps reporting every 6 months under the H&amp;S section?</p>
<b>Reasons for the Recommendation</b>	<p>The Parish Council has a duty to ensure that the bridge, which is on Parish Council land, is maintained and does not deteriorate in condition.</p> <p>The Report states on the main abutment: “There is no immediate reason for concern and it is exceedingly unlikely that a significant change in the structural condition of the wall will occur during the course of the next 5-10 years.”</p> <p>And on the north wing it states: “In view of the fact that the upper section of the brickwork is not showing signs of distress and the fact that the condition of the crack suggests that it has been present for a considerable period, it seems very unlikely that a serious collapse is likely to occur in the short term”.</p>
<b>Impact on Budget</b>	None at present. Future costs would need to be confirmed once any potential work was agreed and when any quotes had been received.
<b>Risks</b>	It could deteriorate and would be a danger to pedestrians on the FP.

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<b>Background</b>	This large wall forms the end of the Embankment owned by the PC. The report from Martin Walker (structural engineer) Wellan Ltd has now been received.
<b>Supporting documents; advice, reports etc should always be attached to the report and listed here</b>	Photographs of cracks contained in report from Martin Walker.  Report from Martin Walker, Wellan Ltd (attached)