

## **Development Officer's Report - October 2018**

It has been quite quiet since I took over from Michael Hague who gave me a good handover. I am glad to see that his long service has been recognised by the CA.

- No approaches about new clubs.
- Grants
  - Canterbury has received £2,800 from the CA towards the cost of a mower so that they can mow their lawns more frequently themselves.
  - Worthing are seeking a grant to extend their building and connect an electricity supply but need permission from Worthing Council who now say they haven't got a lease so this is on hold.
- Other
  - Ealing have a problem with their Council which wants more money for maintaining their lawns and to take one of their lawns to rent it and the large clubhouse to a commercial outfit. I have met them a couple of times and Dave Gunn and I have taken them through Club Matters to help them plan ahead. The club has done a great deal in a short time working out a cheaper way to maintain their lawns, increasing membership by 60%, and generating support locally. They hope they have done enough to get a stay of execution from the Council but are certainly not in the clear yet.
  - No other clubs have expressed interest in Club Matters.

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