

Stisted Parish Council Playing Field.

Stisted Parish Council has over the last months of 2025 and the beginning of 2026 been successful in obtaining grants from The National Lottery, Essex County Council and Braintree District Council for improvement projects.

The first of these grants from B.D.C. was received to allow for the provision of an electricity supply in the Sports Pavilion. Work commenced on this with UK Power Networks in January 2026 and has now been completed with contractors carrying out installation of a metered supply and also fitting out of the pavilion with power and light. This will allow the building to be used more for the benefit of the Parish in the future.

One activity planned for the Pavilion is the possible creation of a 'Repair Café', where volunteers with skill sets will be able to repair or re-purpose items from the Parish to help lower the amount of articles going to land fill or incineration. This plan is still in its infancy, but anyone interested in taking part or coming to bring an item and chat and drink coffee, please contact Councillor Geoff Nurse for more details.

Grant from the National Lottery has allowed us to book a replacement for the now ageing Junior Multi-Play unit and this is scheduled to commence work in mid-April, weather permitting. This will bring a new modern and safe piece of play equipment to our Parish for the enjoyment of our children.

The Community Initiatives Fund Grant from Essex County Council has been awarded to us for the provision of an Inclusive Roundabout with a large safety surface surrounding it. This roundabout is for use by all but is specifically designed to accommodate disabled and wheelchair users. The work to install this unit is due to commence mid-April in conjunction with the Multi-Play unit.

