# Airfield Situation Report Aug 2022

1. **Hangar clear out -** is in progress. North side of hanger has been swept and 'vacced', to minimise debris and dust. The bird in the rafters seems to have flown.

Items left in the club house are being recycled. The eaves are next. Only essential items will remain.

2. **Parachute cupboard.** A new cupboard for six parachutes has been acquired by CFI. Is there a plan to protect the remaining 'chutes?

3. **Gas tank security.** At present the ground is too hard for boring post holes manually. There is a possibility of getting mechanised help from the landlord, which would be depend upon him being able to gain access the area as his workload permits. Maybe best left until ground is softer.
   The surrounding area needs tidying up and we need an 'organically acceptable' method to inhibit weed growth.

4. **Airfield expenditure.** There is no anticipated significant additional Airfield expenditure at the moment, but routine maintenance requires the regular purchase of minor items. Does the Treasurer need to approve each one.

5. **Water supply.** Chris H has installed a chemical purification system. The top IBC is ready to provide filtered rainwater to the clubhouse and toilets. A pump and timer have been purchased to raise water from the bottom IBC.

6. **Ridges on airfield** The dry weather has exacerbated the situation. Landlord has agreed that we can mark offending areas with chalk from his store at no cost. We need volunteers and a trailer robust enough to move substantial loads of chalk chippings, else pay the landlord.

7. **Safe storage.** The 'Flatpack' shed is to be erected in the triangular space next to the winch shelter. Volunteers required to prepare the ground and erect it.

8. **Clubhouse.** Lighting has now been made safe thanks to Ken P and Bill. New light fittings are to be fitted by Chair. Exterior painting and shrub clearance is complete. PM donated and installed TV monitor and HDMI link. Wall mounted heaters to be obtained by Chair.

9. **Airfield serviceability.** Our airfield lies on free draining chalk downland. While overnight rain might render it unusable at 08:30, it can subsequently be OK by midday. If serviceability is based on the early condition of the field, mud on the hangar apron and at the launch point, then we may scrub unnecessarily. Earlier attempts to mitigate using perforated plastic matting ultimately failed because we cannot now locate them. With landlord's permission we could re-surface the worst areas with aggregate. **Cost £300?**
   Does this proposal have legs?

10. **Abandoned trailers.** Are in the process of being removed.

11. **Wind sock.** Now functional.

12. **Battery bank.** Operational - too many contributors to thank them all.

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