

SITE OFFICER AGM REPORT 2015

The general condition of the buildings is considered to be good with the exception of the grass machinery shed, to which Eddie and Colin have now carried out some repairs to make it weather tight, but it still has a limited life so long term replacement will be needed.

The doors to the shower block are now showing signs of deterioration so these will need replacement in the near future and I will be looking for volunteers with carpentry experience to replace them in the spring so please contact me.

We have now purchased a second hand static caravan to convert into a workshop, for use in maintaining gliders, which when finished will be available to club members for a nominal charge to cover electricity costs. I have started work in stripping out the interior and removing walls, but again I need some willing volunteers to assist in this conversion. One of the bedrooms will be retained for the sewing machines which will free up space in the club house.

The grass cutting of the runway by the in-house team was successful last year and hopefully will continue in to 2015, many thanks to all those concerned and volunteers are always required. It is essential that the grass runway is not used whilst it is soft in the winter months; to this end I will be looking at undertaking potholes repairs to the east end of the perimeter track in conjunction with the farmer in the near future.

Although most of the external fabric of the club house and M T shed are maintenance free, some elements notably the doors to the club house now need repainting so again I need somebody who can hold a brush to undertake this work.

The interior of the club house is now in need of an urgent uplift with new furniture and redecoration. My thoughts on this would be to provide a small reception area vacated by the sewing machines with a desk, table and chairs where trial lesson customers can be briefed and relax before going onto the airfield. We could relocate the airfield history wall displays in this area along with the two book and display cases which would act as a partial divide from the main club house area.

This refurbishment needs a woman's touch so again any assistance would be appreciated along with volunteers to undertake the work, so please step forward.

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