

BRAMHOPE & CARLTON PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING OF THE VILLAGE MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE
Tuesday 26th February 2021, 10.00am via video conferencing

Present:

Cllr Alan Anslow (Chair)
Cllr Hilary Harris
Cllr Diane Fox
Cllr David Bryant
Cllr Campbell Cowan

Comments and questions from residents may be taken before the meeting commences relating to matters on the agenda.

1. To receive apologies

Apologies received from Cllr Gill.

2. To disclose or draw attention to any disclosable pecuniary interests

There were no interests declared.

3. To receive information on the ongoing issues and decide further action where necessary

3.1 To receive a report on the condition of the soil on Jubilee Copse in relation to the planting of additional trees.

The report concluded that much of Jubilee Copse is hardcore/rubble with only a shallow (30cm) layer of topsoil. Two areas have been identified that could take the planting of a total of 9 standard trees. A further area on the section of land between The Poplars and The Birches, close to the culvert, has been identified a suitable area to plant 15 willow, which will help take up some of the water in that area.

Suggestions for the area between The Poplars and Wynmore Avenue were to plant with wildflowers or plant with shrubs, with spring and summer wildflower planting in between.

3.2 To discuss the recommendations in the report with regards to the location and number of trees and decide further action.

A discussion took place regarding the proposed options.

It was AGREED by ALL that a mixture of 9 standard trees, including Oak, Beech, Lime, Sycamore and Sweet Chestnut should be planted in the two identified areas.

It was AGREED that 15 willow, variety scarlet willow, should be planted in the suggested location on the section of the copse between The Birches and The Poplars.

It was AGREED that in the area between The Poplars and Wynmore Avenue should be planted with 35 hazel. If possible, the planting will be larger specimens rather than whips. Spring bulbs and summer wildflowers will be planted at the appropriate time for a display of flowers next year.

3.3 To receive information regarding costings for the planting of additional trees on Jubilee Copse, including seeking assistance from an arboriculturist to assist with the procurement and planting of trees/shrubs and decide further action

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Harris, SECONDED by Cllr Fox and AGREED by ALL that Treescapes Consultancy should be engaged to oversee the procurement and planting of the trees. Cost £260.00 + VAT.

4. Any items for discussion at a future meeting

There were no additional items for discussion at a future meeting.

5. To arrange the date of next meeting

The date of the next meeting will be 9th March at 6.00pm.

The meeting closed at 10.40am
Minutes by Nicola Woodward
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