

CHEPPING WYCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE

Meeting to be held on Tuesday 10 July 2018 commencing at 7.30pm
in the Council Chamber, Cock Lane, Tylers Green, High Wycombe, Bucks HP10 8DS

The meeting is open to members of the public and press

Committee Membership:	Cllr L Willis (Chairman)	Cllr I Forbes
	Cllr L Johncock (Vice-chairman)	Cllr C Jordan
	Cllr J Gurney	Cllr S Digby
	Cllr M Wilkes	Cllr K Wood
	Cllr J Johnson	Cllr J Herschel

Members of the committee are summoned to consider the following business:

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1. Apologies for absence
2. Declarations of members' interests in Items on the agenda
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Wendy Thompson
Clerk of the Council
4 July 2018

Orchard Green

3.1 Collated response from residents

Members are asked to CONSIDER the responses to the request for opinions on work to the hedge bordering Orchard Green on Green Dragon Lane.

12 responses were received in relation to the rejuvenation of the hedge running along the path off Green Dragon Lane.

All responses object to any major work being undertaken to the hedge – ‘it would have an extremely detrimental effect on our cherished local wildlife’.

- *Would not like anyone without arboreal knowledge near the hedge (mainly directed at a CP team that ‘hacked at the hedge’ some years ago).*
- *Concern about the site being open and possibly encouraging travellers.*
- *Subject the residents to pollution from the road and noise from the football club.*

The main positive points being:-

- *Continual maintenance is required – ivy removal being important.*
- *Infilling with holly, hazel and hawthorn (native species) – not disturbing the extensive wildlife that is living in and around the hedge.*
- *A gradual solution to cutting back an overgrown hedge by “splitting”. “The idea is to take off one side of the hedge this spring and the other side next spring or in two years time”. This ensures a gradual change, perhaps starting with Green Dragon lane road side first, taking half the labour time initially and half the cost, which can then be split over a couple of years. <https://www.independent.ie/irish-news/how-to-cut-back-an-overgrown-hedge-26229378.html>*
- *Hedgelaying – we did offer this in the past but were turned down by the residents.*

Members are asked to consider the above with the following agenda item;

3.2 Draft Plan – Hedge Renewal

Members are asked to CONSIDER and REVIEW the attached draft plan for the hedge renewal provided by Cllr Herschel. **APPENDIX A**

Members are asked to NOTE that a verbal quotation received for the removal and stump grinding of the whole hedge was in the region of £12,000.

3.3 Bollards on the verges on Green Dragon Lane

Members are asked to CONSIDER and REVIEW the attached **APPENDIX B** in conjunction with the following;

Some of the bollards we set in place have been destroyed or damaged and need replacement to stop cars just driving through the gaps. Cllr Wilkes has done sterling work in setting out no parking notices to deter parking but it is a thankless task and he will not always be able to do so. He has been pressing the council to replace the bollards, provide a few more bollards and support them with ‘no parking’ signs.

Over the past few months the site has been walked and re-walked resulting in the two options:

- *An all bollard solution, or*
- *A bollard and sign solution*

The second option is preferred.

Members are asked to NOTE the estimated costs;

- 27 edgeminder bollards £1,111.86 (£41.18 each)
- estimated installation costs £1,200.00
- 6 No parking signs (estimate) £200.00
- 2 concrete bollards £138.00 (£69.00 each)
- Estimated installation costs £355.52 (signs & concrete bollards)

Estimated total cost: £3,005.38 for the bollards

Jubilee Gardens Planter

Members are asked to NOTE that the planting has been completed.

AGENDA ITEM 5

Allotments

Members are asked to NOTE that at the time of agenda writing the following vacancies exist at the allotment sites:

Chapel Road – 1 half plots and 9 full plots

Ashley Drive – 2 full plots

There is currently no one on the waiting list.

5.1 Chapel Road Allotments

Members are asked to APPROVE the cost of rubbish removal following the clearance that has been undertaken on the empty plots at the site. Estimated cost £2,000 – grab lorry removal.

5.1.1 Fencing

Members are asked to NOTE that the continuation of the stock and rabbit fencing to the bottom of the site has been completed and there is now a gap in the hedging which will be filled in the late Autumn/early Winter.

AGENDA ITEM 6

Magpie Wood

Members are asked to RECEIVE an update of the wood from Cllr Jordan.

AGENDA ITEM 7

King's Wood

7.1 Ride widening on northern boundary

Members are asked to NOTE that signs have been purchased and will be placed along the ride advising of the works being undertaken for a month prior to their start in September.

Members are asked to NOTE the Management Report from Tilhill and are asked to APPROVE the estimate for signing. **APPENDIX C**

AGENDA ITEM 8

Playground Updates

8.1 Updates

Members are asked to RECEIVE updates from the Playground Working Parties.

Tylers Green: Members are asked to NOTE that the re-painting of the swings has been completed, the teacup and safety surfacing will be undertaken at the end of the summer holidays (early September). Quotes are currently being obtained for the 'squaring off' of the play area with a small piece of equipment and safety surfacing prior to fencing being installed.

Flackwell Heath: Members are asked to CONSIDER the quotation for the refurbishment of the climbing frame and replacement of the safety surfacing. **APPENDIX D**

8.2 Green Dragon Lane

Members are asked to NOTE that a meeting is currently being arranged with a play consultant and the Chairman of the football club to discuss the possible position and content for a small play area on the site.

AGENDA ITEM 9

Tylers Green Common

9.1 Track 6

Members are asked to CONSIDER the two quotes received for the top of track 6 (track opposite the village hall). The quotes match the works already completed to the bottom of the track.

Quote A	£18,643.00 without drainage
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Quote B

£14,000 with drainage

Members are asked to CONSIDER the next course of action.

9.2 Tracks Maintenance Policy

Members are asked to NOTE that no further progress has been made on the policy however, it will be brought back to the next committee meeting for review in September.

9.3 Tylers Green Management Plan

Members are asked to NOTE that Cllr Wood and Cllr Johnson have completed an inspection of the Common making recommendations for future management, this has been passed to the Warden for comment prior to being brought back to the next committee meeting in September.

9.4 Security of the Common

Members are asked to CONSIDER the following from a concerned resident;

'.....the parking of vehicles on the common should be discouraged as it will draw other drivers to abuse the privilege that residents, through being granted paid for access rights, enjoy. It will also encourage motorised vehicles to be driven through the various tracks which for some reason CWPC continue to close mow the edges and fail to block the entrances with suitable barriers, large tree stumps, or felled branches, being the most obvious and cheapest solution.

It is also apparent that WDC or other local Parish Councils have taken pro-active measures to stop Gypsies from illegally parking/fly tipping on their land, the most noticeable being Terriers, The Beech Tree Pub/Totteridge Lane and opposite, where ditches have been dug and berms erected to stop illegal intrusion onto the land. Have CWPC considered such action for the front/back Common, or is it your intent to wait until such illegal action occurs, given that both commons are mown to the extreme, with similar action being taken on certain paths radiating from the back common, thus allowing ease of access by illegal drivers?'

Members are asked to APPROVE the next course of action.

AGENDA ITEM 10

Railway Land

Members are asked to CONSIDER and, if so minded, APPROVE one of the quotations received to remove trees overhanging a garden in Bay Tree Close. The garden was visited by the Warden and Clerk recommendation following the visit was for selected tree removal to allow light into the garden and onto the rear of the property.

The quotations consist of;

- Removal of limb growing over the garden.
- Removal of a sycamore, small lime and ash tree.
- Crown raise a field maple.

Quote A £750.00

Quote B £725.00

AGENDA ITEM 11

Footpath Diversion Order – CWY/47/1 Flackwell Heath

Members are asked to CONSIDER the Footpath Diversion Order at **APPENDIX E** to decide whether to make a representation or objection to the Order by 6 August 2018.

AGENDA ITEM 12

Committee Site Visit

Members are asked to CONSIDER the following suggestions for the committee site visit on Thursday 26 July 2018.

- Orchard Green - hedge
- Green Dragon Lane Recreation Ground – play area site
- Railway Land – selected trees for removal
- Magpie Wood – boundary fence

- King's Wood – Thrills and Spills

AGENDA ITEM 13

Committee Finances

Members are asked to NOTE the committee income and expenditure to Period 2 (May). **APPENDIX F**

AGENDA ITEM 14

Questions from committee members and the public

A maximum of fifteen minutes will be given to members of the public, who may make representations, ask and answer questions and/or give evidence in respect of any item of business included in the agenda. If the chairman of the meeting agrees, representations and questions may be taken at the beginning of the meeting. Members of the public wishing to speak at the beginning of the meeting should inform the Clerk of this request as soon as possible.

AGENDA ITEM 15

Accounts for payment

Accounts for payment are to be circulated at the meeting for consideration by councillors.

Date and time of next meeting: Thursday, 13 September 2018 @ 7.30pm

Orchard Green

Hedge renewal

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Introduction

Orchard Green was formally adopted by the council in 1960 and is maintained by the council's grounds team. Local residents have also had an interest planting bulbs and shrubs. In the past few years Community Payback groups have played a role in maintain the edge of the site and clearing leaf fall helping improve and maintain the condition of the grass sward.

Current condition of the hedge

The 'hedge' facing Green Dragon Lane cannot now be considered fit for purpose. It is full of dead brush piled in gaps to deter access to the site from the adjacent tarmac footpath. Above the hedge is an electrical supply cable which would be damaged if the piled brush was to catch fire.

In addition to the piled dead brush small dead trees smothered in ivy are a threat to pedestrians and in the past few years have caused both an obstruction on the footpath and destroyed bollards provided by the council to deter vehicles parking on the green verge opposite the council's recreation ground on Green Dragon Lane.

Proposition

At the Open Spaces committee meeting on 17 May 2018 it was agreed that the existing hedge is beyond saving. The sooner it is re-made the sooner it will provide an attractive, secure boundary for the site.

The hedge-line should be cleared, except for mature trees which provide informal structure and character, and replaced with a Chiltern-style hedge of mixed beech and other plants like holly and guelder rose which will provide contrast and colour. These are slow growing - reducing on-going maintenance needs – while providing high levels of screening and year-round attractiveness.

A simple two-strand wire fence could be provided to deter access to Orchard Green from Green Dragon Lane. This would be along the line of new planting and will soon be incorporated into the growing hedge. See the photographs of the beech hedge at the Marlow garden centre.

However given the roots from the existing mature trees this may not be practicable and a temporary fence in front of or behind the new planting could be provided. Once the new hedge is established it would be removed.

Clearance

The existing hedge line should be cleared of all except those mature trees which we want to keep. Our warden and potential contractors should mark those trees which should remain because of their contribution to the structure and character of the site. This may mean the removal of some smaller mature trees or those in competition with other trees that will if left in place have in time a negative effect on other still-developing trees that would in the longer term might have a greater beneficial effect on both the Green Dragon street scene and of Orchard Green.

Since under the Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981 it is an offence to damage or destroy the nest of any wild bird while it is in use or being built this work must only be carried out when there are no nesting birds in the existing hedge. The bird nesting season is usually considered to run from 1 March to 31 July, though it may last longer for certain species or multiple broods so always check if in doubt.

The arisings could be chipped and left in a pile on-site to be used as part of the mulch used once planting has been completed.

Preparation

Hedges are in place for many years so thorough preparation of the soil before planting is essential.

The ground along the new hedge line should be dug over to a width of 60-90cm (2-3ft) wide and one spit (or spade blade) deep removing small roots from the old hedge.

The two-strand fence should then be erected. If the new hedging plants are not immediately set in place and the strip allowed to stand fallow for a period a herbicide should be applied just before planting.

Choice of plants

A wide selection of hedging plants are to be found in the Chilterns and in choosing an appropriate blend for a renewed hedge at Orchard Green we should select those that will thrive in dry soils (the existing mature trees 'rob' the soil of moisture) and which will tolerate shade from the mature trees above.

See the list from the Chilterns Conservation Board at the end of this document.

Beech (*Fagus sylvatica*) is native to the Chilterns and is an excellent choice for hedging. It grows quickly and densely. It is deciduous but when grown as hedging and trimmed in late summer the leaves will usually be retained in a dry state throughout most of the winter. This enhances its winter appearance and provides value as a year round screen.

Beech isn't too fussy about location and will tolerate sun and partial shade as well as windy locations, thriving in either acid or alkaline soil, but prefers chalky soils and limestone.

Below are some suitable beech options for hedging.

Fagus sylvatica - common beech with its green foliage remains one of the best and inexpensive forms of beech for hedging. In autumn the leaves turn brown and most will remain attached to the stem.



Common beech

Fagus sylvatica Atropurpurea - known as the copper or purple beech for its purple foliage

Fagus sylvatica Riversii - deep purple-leaved form, spring leaves coloured pink-purple

Guelder rose, Viburnum opulus - features pretty white lacecap flowers in June and July, attractive to pollinating insects, followed in autumn by attractive red berries that usually last well into the winter and are eaten by blackbirds, thrushes and finches. The bright green leaves turn purple and red in the autumn. It grows well in the dry soils found in hedges and under larger trees. Avoid ornamental varieties.



Guelder Rose

Holly (*Ilex aquifolium*) valued for its evergreen element is a slow but steady grower in a hedge. Its prickly habit is a good security feature for a boundary hedge. Male and female plants are required for berrying.



Holly

Some tree and hedge species suited to the Chilterns.

Common Name	Latin Name	Hgt	Growth Rate	Wildlife Value	Comments
Apple, crab	<i>Malus sylvestris</i>	SML	MOD	***	Blsm & fruit
Ash	<i>Fraxinus excelsior</i>	LRG	RPD	**	Good hedgerow tree
Beech	<i>Fagus sylvatica</i>	LRG	SLW	**	Good for screening
Blackthorn	<i>Prunus spinosa</i>	SML	SLW	***	Blossom & berry(sloes) but suckering can be a problem
Buckthorn, Purging	<i>Rhamnus cathartica</i>	SML	MOD	***	Blossom but suckering can be a problem
Cherry, Wild	<i>Prunus avium</i>	MED	RPD	**	Blossom and berry
Dog Rose	<i>Rosa canina</i>	SML	RPD	**	Flowers and fruit
Dogwood	<i>Cornus sanguinea</i>	SML	RPD	***	Attractive red stems
Guelder Rose	<i>Viburnum opulus</i>	SML	SLW	***	Blossom, berry & good autumn foliage.
AVOID ORNAMENTAL VARIETIES!!					
Field Maple	<i>Acer campestre</i>	MED	MOD	**	Good autumn colours
Hawthorn	<i>Crataegus monogyna</i>	SML	MOD	***	Blossom & Berry
Hazel	<i>Coryllus avellana</i>	SML	MOD	***	Hazeluts & stakes for laying
Holly	<i>Ilex aquifolium</i>	MED	SLW	**	Evergreen with berries; best planted as pot grown trees.
Hornbeam	<i>Carpinus betulus</i>	MED	MOD	**	Good firewood
Honeysuckle	<i>Lonicera percyllmenum</i>	SML	RPD	***	Scented flowers & berries
Oak Pedunculate	<i>Quercus robur</i>	LRG	SLW	****	Good hedgerow tree
Spindle	<i>Euonymus europeaus</i>	SML	SLW	**	Colourful leaves, fruit & flowers
Wayfaring Tree	<i>Viburnum lantana</i>	SML	MOD	**	Colourful leaves, fruit & flowers
Whitebeam	<i>Sorbus aria</i>	MED	MOD	**	Good ornamaental & nurse tree.

Sources

https://www.chilternsaonb.org/uploads/files/AboutTheChilterns/Farming/farming_hedge_planting.pdf

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Planting

Saplings for hedge planting - 'whips' - are usually about 60 centimetre (23.5 in) tall. In hedges whips are planted closely together so that they form a thick hedge, competing with each other and reduce the amount of subsequent trimming required.

Bare-root transplants are not only cheaper but also usually establish better. Plant during mild weather from October to late winter.

To achieve a good density of hedge saplings should be planted in a staggered double row, between 5 and 7 plants per metre.



Plants staggered either side of a wire fence

After planting apply a general fertiliser such as Growmore or blood fish and bone at 70g per sq. m (2-2½ oz. per sq. yd.).

Mulch to a depth of 7.5cm (3in) after planting to prevent weeds from competing with the new plants. In time leaf fall from the beech will supress most weeds.

Maintenance

First and second years

Ensure plants are well-watered during dry spells for the next two years

Keep the hedge and 45cm (18in) on each side weed-free and re-apply mulch as required

There will inevitably be some early failures leading to gaps, so it may be necessary replace failed plants.

For the first two years, prune the plants by using plant clippers to cut back the longer shoots and cutting off the tips of shorter ones. This will help the plants grow thicker and denser.

If the whips are well branched avoid cutting them back. Otherwise, for the first two years after planting, concentrate on hand-trimming, shortening the longer shoots and just tipping back shorter ones to encourage branching and dense growth without much loss in height. Trim in the second week of August

Subsequent years

From three years and up start trimming the sides of the hedge. Try to keep the base of the hedge at about 1 metre (3 ¼ feet) at the base, and then taper up to the desired height.

Each side of the hedge can be trimmed every other year, alternating each side. Aim for a *nearly* flat-topped A-shape (in cross section) to ensure that sunlight reaches the top and bottom equally, while maintaining a scalloped look in keeping with an informal hedge.

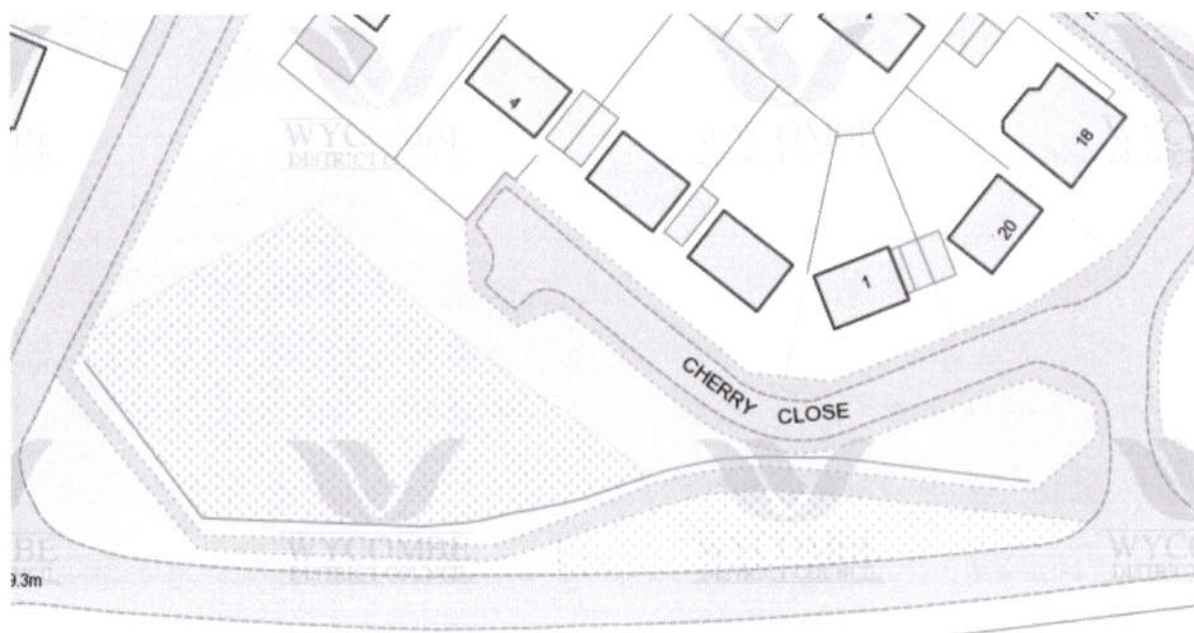
The end of summer or early autumn is the best time to prune the hedge as it allows the hedge to retain its recent flush of new leaves over the winter in a brown, autumnal state, providing year-round screening and will also avoid disturbing nesting birds.

If August pruning is missed wait until spring.

Orchard Green on Green Dragon Lane, Flackwell Heath



Nominal length of hedge 125 metres



Debris piled in the hedge line beneath power line...a fire hazard



Gap in the hedge for the convenience of residents



The beech hedge at the Wyevale Garden Centre. Marlow

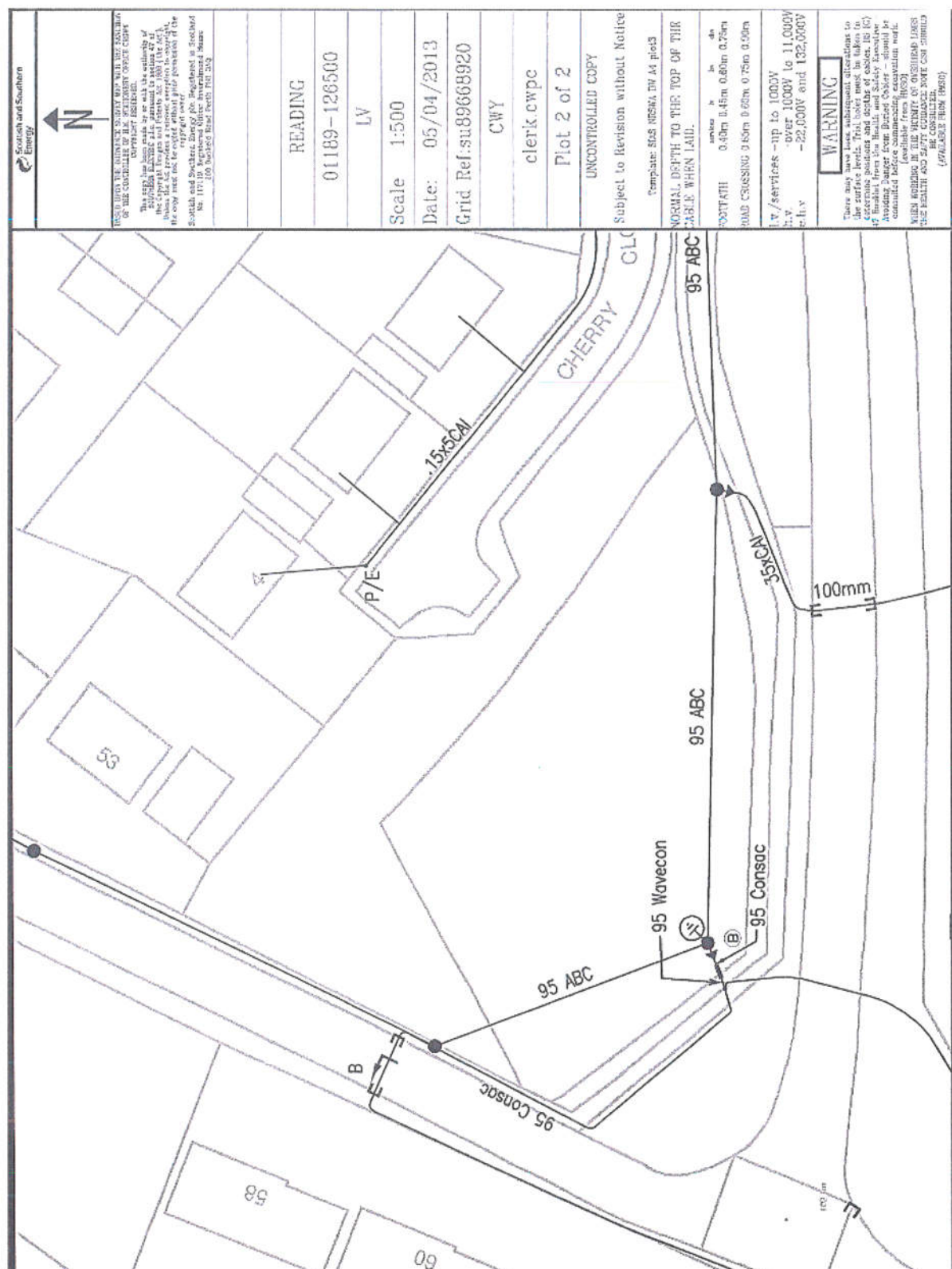
Offset planting of whips with internal two-wire security fence. Hedge is said to be four years old.



Timber and post fence



Three-strand wire fence



Quotation request
Orchard Green hedge renewal
Chepping Wycombe Parish Council

1. Clear and chip or remove from site the 'old' hedge, leaving marked trees
2. Prepare the new hedge line
 - dig over to a width of 60-90cm (2-3ft) wide and one spit (or spade blade) deep removing small roots from the old hedge
3. Erect a two or three-strand wire fence along the line of the new hedge
4. Provide an alternative cost to provide a timber and post fence set back from new planting between the mature trees
5. Apply a herbicide to the prepared bed before planting
6. Provide 60cm whips at 7 per metre, a mix of 70% beech and 15% guelder rose and 15% holly
7. Plant in mild weather between October and mid-December in a staggered pattern either side of the two-strand wire fence
8. Provide and apply fertiliser at 70g per sq. m (2-2½ oz. per sq. yd.).
9. Provide and apply wood-chip mulch to a depth of 7.5cm (3 inches)

Chepping Wycombe Parish Council

Green Dragon Lane

Replacement of missing and damaged bollards

Background

Occasional parking on green verges is unlikely to cause significant damage.

However repeated parking inevitably causes some damage.

But when the verge is soft after even light rain the damage is usually severe.

In these circumstances vehicles MUST park on the highway.

If frequent users habitually park on the green verge it is soon destroyed.

The council has previously agreed to an additional area on the Green Dragon recreation site being used for car parking (previously ear-marked for a small play area) and the club has been advised that they have an obligation to discourage parking on green verges and on peak-occasions should provide parking marshalls.

Provision of bollards and no parking signs

At the request of CWPC Bucks CC provided a small layby at the entrance to the site and also installed bollards on the south side of Green Dragon Lane to prevent damage to the grassed verge by parking.

In spite of the additional on-site parking visitors then began parking on the north side and on the grassed corners with Chapman Lane. CWPC then installed bollards on the northern side of the road. Many have been damaged by cars trying to edge past them onto the verge and others were destroyed grass mowers and small trees coming down from the Orchard Green hedge.

They have not yet been replaced and a local councillor has for the past three years been setting out 'No Parking' signs on the verge. He will not always be in a position to continue doing so and the council should replace the missing bollards and also increase their number to deter cars edging onto the verge. The bollards should be supported by 'No parking on grass verge' signs as agreed in 2010



One sign run-down by a vehicle or mower
Bollards have suffered a similar fate

Jun-18

Bollards

Edgeminder bollards from Leafield Environmental are already in place at Green Dragon Lane.

Black Edgeminder bollard with gold reflective band

Height 510mm Diameter 130mm

http://leafieldhighway.com/Bollards__Street_Furniture/Traditional/Edgeminder.aspx

Edgeminder



ECO



REFLEX



Class ref 1&2

Choose from

Edgeminder Standard

Edgeminder Reflex

Edgeminder ECO

Fixing Options*

Standard

Reflex

ECO

Colours (see page 23)

Standard & Premium

Reflex or ECO

Banding

Choice of Class ref 1 & Class ref 2 British

Standard Reflective banding available.

Aluminium backed for vandal resistance.

Decorative banding is optional see page 13.

*PM - Permanent, AR - Anti-Ram, S - Socketed, SM - Surface

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Banding Ideas



Left to right:

Light Grey: Blue Reflective Band

Burgundy: Gold Reflective Band

Racing Green: Silver Reflective Band

Sandstone: Red Reflective Band



Specification

Weight: Less than 1.75kg

Material: MDPE

All dimensions and weights are nominal

Fixing options

Permanent Fixing (PM)

For permanent fixing the bollard base is concreted in below ground. The bollard is supplied as a single unit with a moulded-in anchor section that is set into the concrete ensuring that the bollard cannot be removed.



Concrete bollards

Both concrete bollards have been destroyed by trucks. They should be replaced. The one nearest the entrance should be placed in the grassed area.



Original location



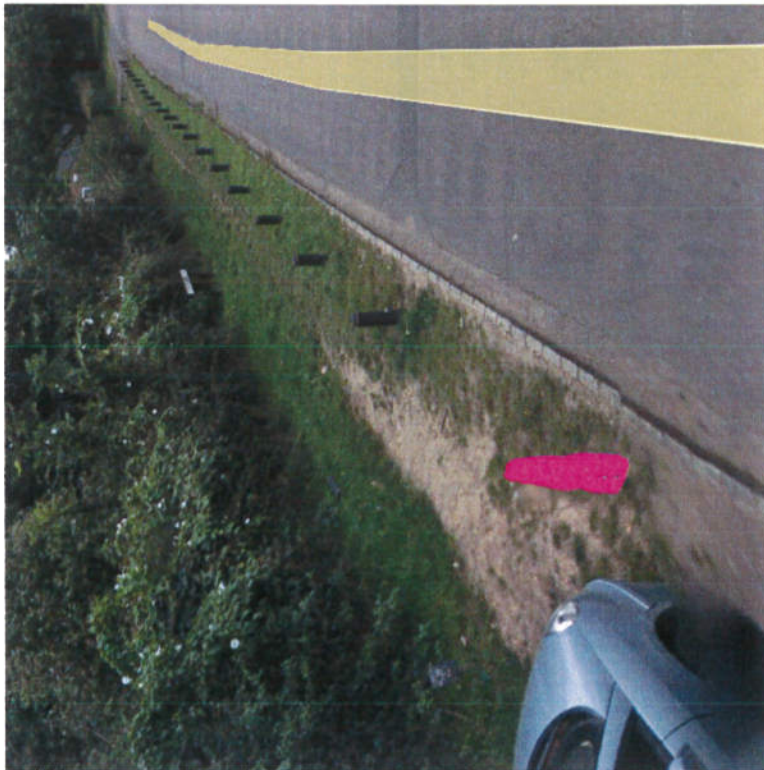
New location

Once there was a bollard, now just a stump

The replacement should be sited in the grassed area so that a truck turning into the recreation ground is unlikely to damage its replacement

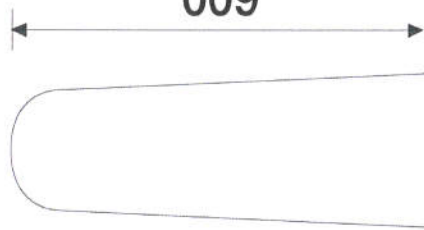


Clearly a handy place to stop
right over the stump



Location of the other missing bollard
opposite the entrance to The Orchard

150 dia.



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200 dia.

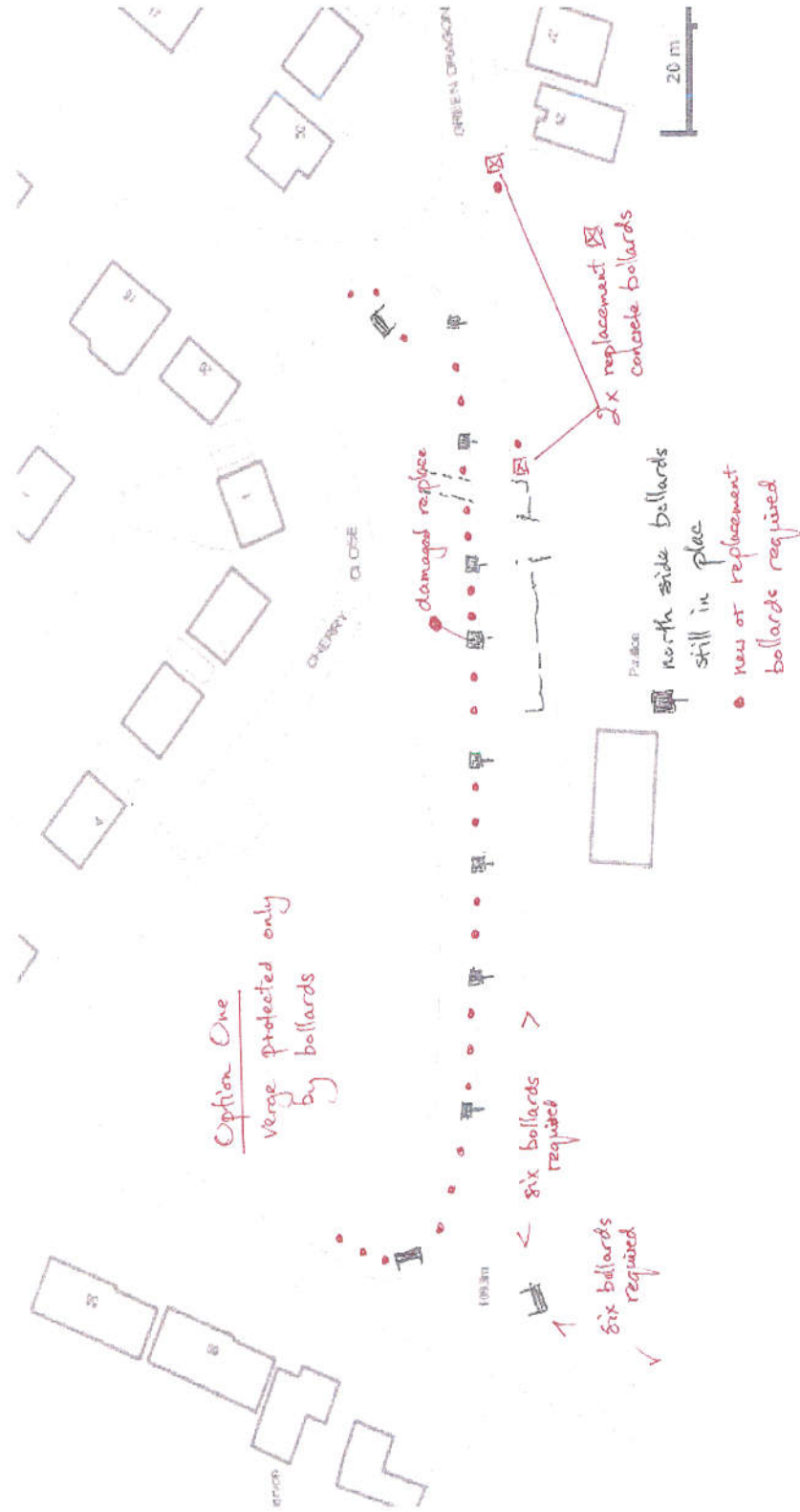


from Broxap but other suppliers also

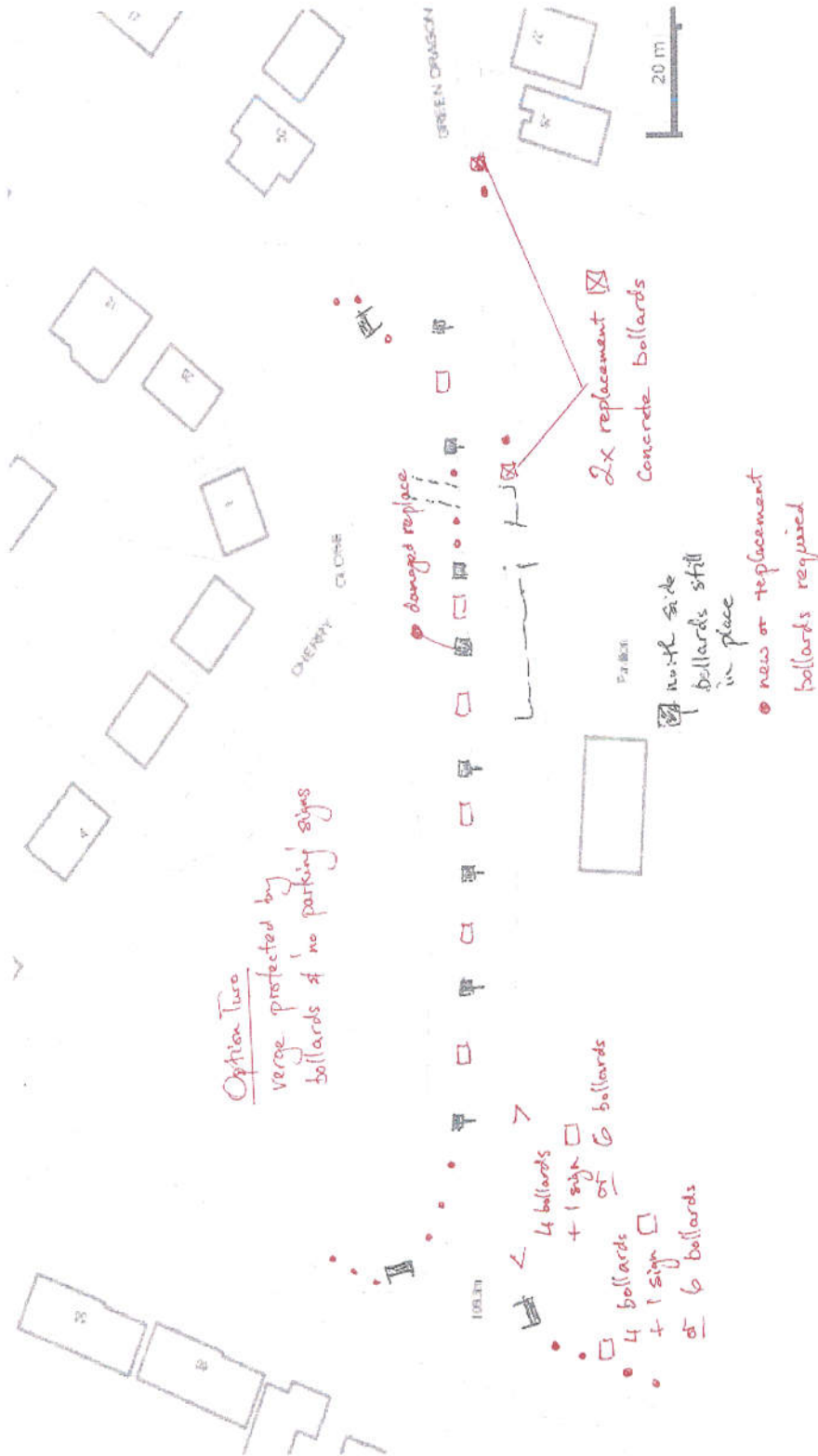
Green Dragon Lane

Locations for replacement bollards

Option One verge protectd only by bollards



Option two verge protected by bollards and no parking signs



B: 25 black bollards
2 concrete bollards
8 signs

A: 27 black bollards
2 concrete bollards
6 signs

Sign specification

There are fundamentally two options:

- a simple request not to park on the grass verge or
- a statutory-style sign as previously used by us on the fence at Straight Bit



Please do not park on the grass verge

In 2010 the council agreed to purchase signs for use on Green Dragon Lane and elsewhere in the parish based on the model Dept. of Transport guidance for traffic signs since they were most likely to be understood by motorists at whom the signs are directed.

Quotes were obtained but an order was never placed.

<http://www.signway.co.uk/>

and

<http://www.eurosignsgb.co.uk/12-signs.html>

Signs were however purchased by us for use on the fence at Straight Bit (above right) were 125mm wide by 130mm high drilled in each corner on 3mm steel plate



Annual Report

Kings Wood

2017/18

Location:	High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire
Area:	78 hectares (193 acres)
Owner:	Chepping Wycombe Parish Council
Period:	06 April 2017 to 05 April 2018
Prepared by:	Kasten Harris
Tilhill Forestry District:	Southern England



Income

9100 Timber income

From sale of firewood during thinning of Cpt 8 over 2 hectares and felling of trees below the viewpoint. This will be marketed at roadside, as the timber yield is relatively small and difficult to quantify. Felling and extraction costs are included under item 6002.

The value of firewood fluctuates with market demands which can be weather dependent. Given a wide timeframe (2-3 months) for removal from site, firewood value from Kings Wood is estimated at £40-45/tonne at roadside; the estimated income is based on a minimum of 70 tonnes of marketable firewood at £43/tonne. The final value per tonne will be negotiated and confirmed prior to initiating the planning process, and must then be accepted by the woodland owner. The final volume will be measured by weight on timber lorries as the products are removed from site.

Timber income is normally paid to Tilhill Forestry and held on account for the woodland owner. Once funds are cleared, any outstanding balances can be transferred to the client. While there are outstanding balances, a monthly statement will be sent to the client to inform of the amounts due.

Marketing and administrative costs are included in item 6001.

9110 Standing thinning income

From sale of firewood during ride widening along the northern boundary track. This will be marketed standing to produce a net revenue, based on an estimated 200 tonnes at £18/tonne. Site safety and operations will be run by Tilhill Forestry.

Site preparation will require installation of a hardstanding loading/turning area for lorries included under item 6003. Administration of all felling contracts and firewood sales is included under item 6001.

Expenditure

3600 Forest management

Tilhill Forestry provides management support, to include minimum four visits per annum, surveying and recording of woodland development, submission of an annual report and recommended operations for the coming year with estimated costs.

6001 Felling operations administration

Preparation of contractor paperwork and contracts for sale of firewood. On site management including pre-commencement meeting and follow up site inspections. Monitoring of timber sales and reports.

6002 Felling and extraction

The estimated costs of motor manual felling with chainsaws, and removal of marketable material using a forwarder.

Thinning 2 hectares Cpt 8 and Felling of trees below the viewpoint:

The thinning of young beech is on less accessible ground and the quality and value of material in this area is variable, this will be confined to 2 hectares as required by the terms of the grant contract. Marketable timber will be extracted and sold where practicable. Remaining arisings will be cut to 1.5-2 metre lengths to lay flat on the ground and kept clear of paths.



Glade area Cpt 5

6005 Grant Administration

Countryside Stewardship multi-annual woodland improvement grants run from January to December. The rate offered at this time is £100/hectare for five years, which equates to £7,200 per year, to subsidise creation and maintenance of rides and glades. Initial applications must be submitted by the beginning of May to ensure contracts can be secured for the following year. Contracts cannot overlap with existing EWGS grants, therefore the Kings Wood grant application would be submitted by May 2019 for an effective start in January 2020.

Preparation for the grant application would begin early in 2019, therefore a provision for grant administration has been included in this estimate. Application does not guarantee success.

The following items have been requested to be submitted as fixed price quotations. These will be priced accordingly and forwarded to the Parish Council separately for consideration:

Loading areas

To enable timber removal after ride widening in Cpts 1, 2 and 3, it must be stacked in an area accessible to 44 tonne timber lorries.

The provision for timber stacking along the ride will mean the car park does not have to be closed or obstructed during operations. This is dependent on the suitability of concrete shelves currently in place at the gate entrance which cover underground services. The current gateway would need to be widened to a minimum four meter gap, and a new barrier or gate installed.

Alternatively, the car park will have to be shut and timber stacked at the edges.

can only really look at adapting woodland for the future as felling and replanting occurs and all very much within the ownership objectives and assessed risks.

Trees have always been under threat from a wide range of damaging agents and your investment in active woodland management enables us to monitor these and act quickly to mitigate any damage or loss.

Active thinning and felling cycles can help reduce trees under stress, lower humidity levels and enable opportunities to change species mixtures where any are under threat.

Ash dieback continues to spread and is now apparent on many mature ash throughout Southern England. Latest Forestry Commission findings conclude that it is unlikely that ash will survive in great numbers and that impact will be faster than originally anticipated. The impact is greater on younger ash and trees in less favourable ground conditions (including poorly drained soils). Once ash trees are in advanced stage of disease it is likely that they will become more susceptible to other infections and conditions may quickly deteriorate, particularly in the presence of *armillaria* (honey fungus).

It is recommended to fell diseased ash before honey fungus becomes prevalent, as the fungus has the capacity to affect (and kill) many other broadleaf tree and shrub species.

Concerns have been raised over the safety of affected ash trees in public areas, along rights of way and roads due to the potential presence of brittle branches. This extends to safety issues when felling diseased ash and any felling or tree safety works should take additional precautions.

The removal of rhododendron in woodlands where larch are growing is still recommended to try and reduce the spread of *Phytophthora ramorum* or to reduce the risk of infection causing the imposition of felling notices from the Forestry Commission.

Property Market

2017 saw the market returning to its normal growth after a quieter year in 2016. The market recorded a total of £111.04 Million of forest properties traded, this is made up of 87 separate forest sales. This continues an upwards trend in the value of the UK forest market since 2008.

A good mixture of properties came to the market, which included not only several large forest estates but also a selection of smaller properties. In the South West, there was substantial interest in the disposal of Dunster Woodlands in Somerset by The Crown Estate, which was offered in three Lots totalling 525 hectares of which 183 hectares sold before coming to market with a guide price over £6,250,000. This sold well with the main consideration being IHT cover and good timber stands supporting longer term income planning.

In the South of England, one of the main determinants of property values is location, with reasonable proximity to London or other major centres being crucial. The highest prices in the year, in excess of £9,000/ acre, were achieved in the Home Counties. A noticeable trend can be seen where owners have been able to increase the capital value of the woodlands through attention to good management. Factors such as managing public access, improving the sporting capacity, developing the external access, adding small buildings, or small scale environmental projects such as ponds or habitat improvement can add to the overall value and attractiveness of the property.

New planting opportunities have been encouraged through the recently enhanced Countryside Stewardship scheme (offering £6,000 to £8,000/Ha) which is focussed primarily on delivering

The Government's commitment to guarantee farm subsidies until 2022 has increased investors certainty in the medium-term. After then, it is not clear what type and level of support a UK agricultural policy (rather than the European Common Agricultural Policy) will provide.

		Client Property Report		Date: 06/11/2018 12:0 Time: 15:57:23 Page: 1 User: ALISONJ
District Number: 63 Southern England		TEF Contact: Harris, Kasten		
Operation Code	Operation	Expenditure / Income		
		Actual	Estimated	
Contract No: 1373 Client Ref: CHEPPING		Contract Name: Kings Wood Client Name: CHEPPING WYCOMBE PARISH CO.		Contract Type: CP Client Year: 2017
EXPENDITURE				
3601	Forest Management I	£1,800.00	£1,800.00	
Total EXPENDITURE		£1,800.00	£1,800.00	
Net Income / Expenditure:		-£1,800.00	-£1,800.00	

Client Address: CHEPPING WYCOMBE PARISH CO.
 C/O THE PARISH CLERK
 COUNCIL OFFICE COCK LANE
 TYLERS GREEN PENN
 HIGH WYCOMBE BUCKS
 Great Britain
 HP10 8DS

Client Year Ending: 31.03.19

Enquiry Number: 636912

Enquiry Issue: 1

Enquiry Version: 1

Contract No: 1373

Contract Name: Kings Wood

Quantity Unit Value

INCOME

9100	Timber Income	70.00	Tonnes	£3,000.20
9110	Standing Thinning Income	200.00	Tonnes	£3,600.00
				£6,600.20

EXPENDITURE

3600	Forest Management	1.00	Item	£1,850.00
6001	Felling Operations Administration	1.00	Item	£1,880.00
6002	Felling and Extraction	1.00	Item	£4,200.00
6003	Reinstatement	1.00	Item	£1,800.00
6004	Scrub Maintenance	1.00	Item	£1,650.00
6005	Grant Administration	1.00	Item	£500.00
				£11,880.00

NET INCOME / EXPENDITURE

-£5,279.80

(note: a minus total indicates that expenditure exceeds income.)

I accept the specified work and charges subject to the Tilhill Forestry Ltd Conditions of Sale, which can be viewed on our website www.tilhill.com.

Signed.....

Date.....

Following our recent conversation I was able to get along to look at our multipplay unit and surfacing at Straight Bit Rec Ground. Please see costs to repaint the existing unit in colours to be confirmed (Nautical theme), lay bonded rubber mulch surfacing and remove tarmac to be returned to grass for ease of maintenance.

- Rub Down & Repaint Existing Wicksteed Multipplay Unit (Colours TBC) Including Labour - £1080.00 + VAT
- Supply & Overlay Existing Wetpour Tile Pad & Tarmac To Link In With Existing Surfacing 100sqm Of Ecotumble Surfacing - £8000.00 + VAT
- Ground Preparation Around Wetpour Tile Pad - £516.00
- Dig Out & Remove 18sqm Of Existing Tarmac Pad & Return Back To Soil & Turf To Extend The Field - £504.00 + VAT
- Temporary Site Security Heras Fencing - £300.00

Sub Total - £10400.00 + VAT

Discount - £1460.00 + VAT

Total - £8940.00 + VAT

FLACKWELL HEATH

Play Area

KEY:

A

Existing Storm Multi-play Unit
to be Re-Painted in Nautical
Theme / Colour

B

New Area of Eco-Tumble
Safety Surface

C

New Area of Grass Surface
(Optional)

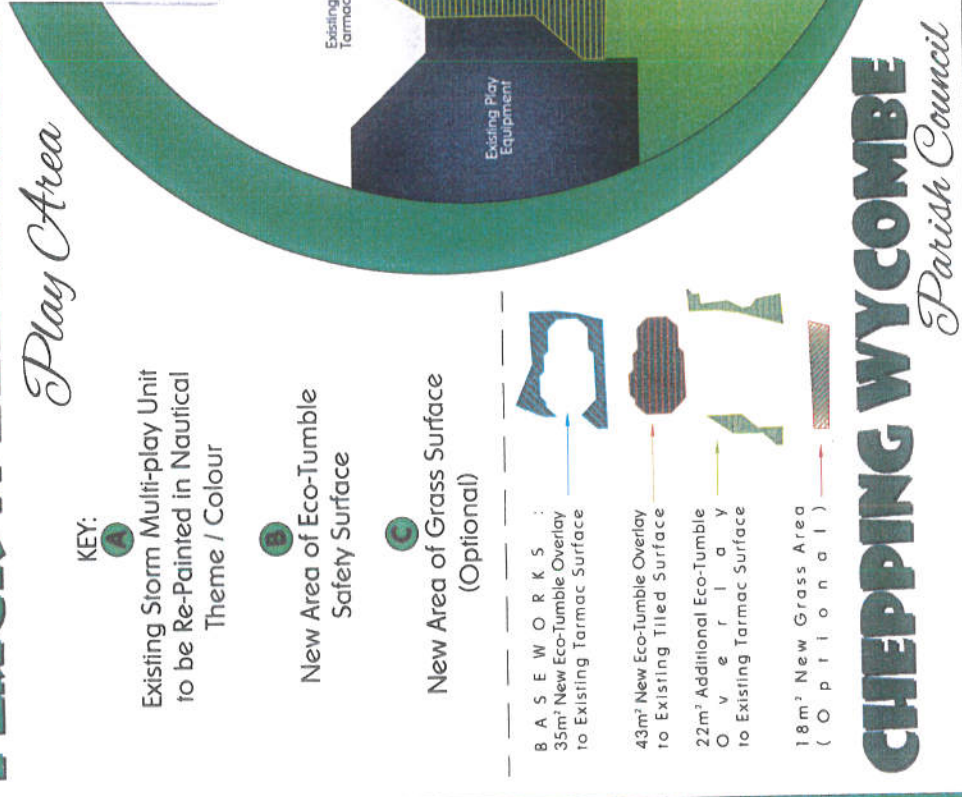
WORKS:

35m² New Eco-Tumble Overlay
to Existing Tarmac Surface

43m² New Eco-Tumble Overlay
to Existing Titled Surface

22m² Additional Eco-Tumble
Overlay
to Existing Tarmac Surface

18m² New Grass Area
(Optional)



BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981

THE BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (PUBLIC FOOTPATH NO.47 (PART) PARISH OF CHEPPING WYCOMBE PUBLIC PATH DIVERSION ORDER 2018

The above Order, made on 15th May 2018 under section 119 of the Highways Act 1980 and section 53A(2) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, will divert the public footpath running from SU9010-8910 north west for 16 metres to SU9010-8910 as shown by a bold continuous line, to a line running from SU9011-8908 north north west for 16 metres to SU9011-8910 then west south west for 7.5 metres to SU9010-8910 as shown by a broken black line with a width of 2 metres throughout.

A copy of the order and the order map have been placed and may be seen free of charge at County Hall, Aylesbury and High Wycombe Library during normal opening hours. Copies of the order and map may be purchased from the County Council at a cost of £5.00 at the address given below.

Any representations or objections to the Order may be sent in writing to the Head of Planning and Environment, Definitive Map and Local Land Charges Team, 7th Floor, Buckinghamshire County Council, County Hall, Walton Street, Aylesbury, Bucks, HP20 1UA not later than **6th August 2018** or email hfrancis@buckscc.gov.uk. Please state the grounds on which they are made.

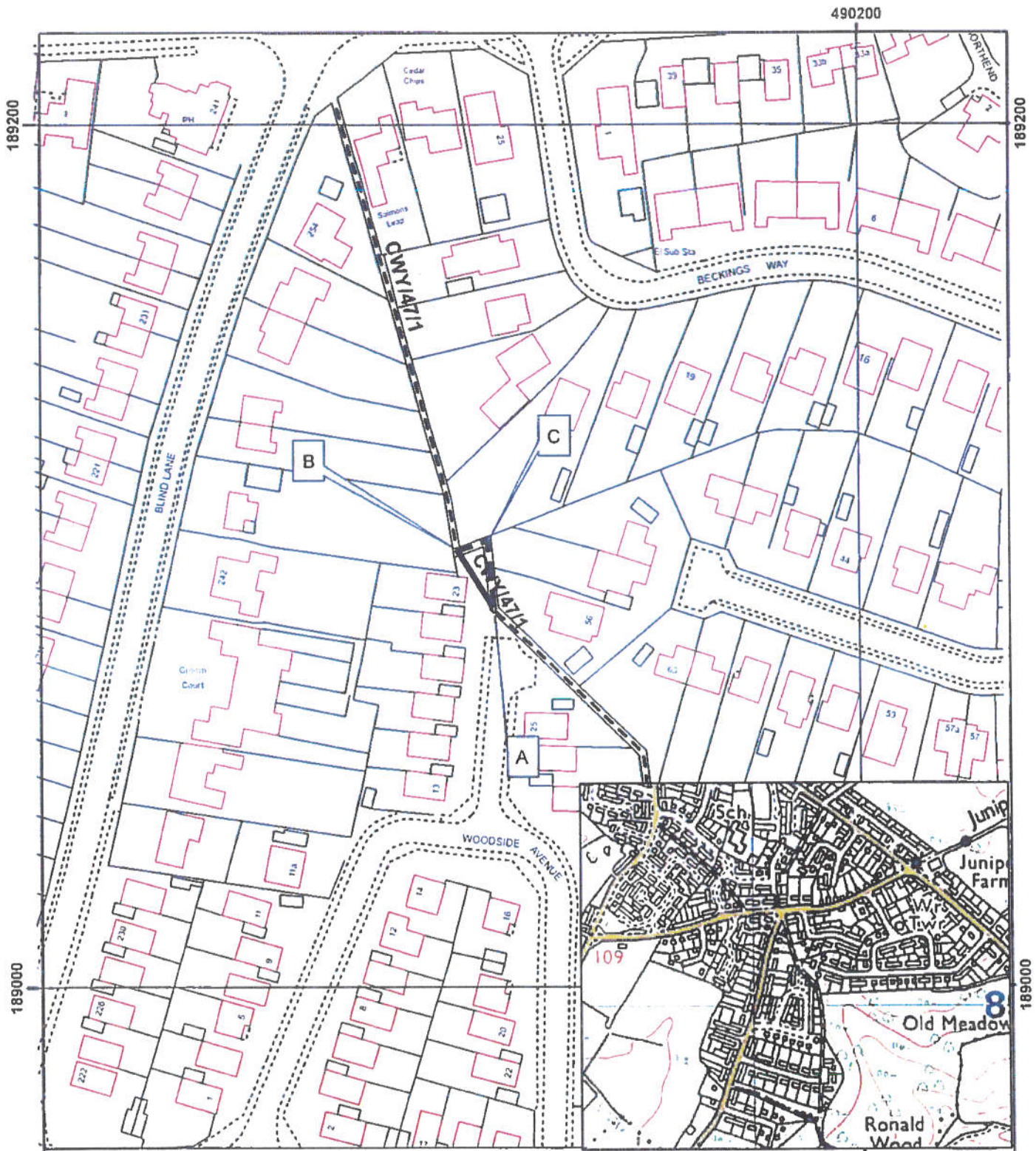
If no such representations or objections are duly made, or if any so made are withdrawn, then Buckinghamshire County Council may confirm the order as an unopposed Order. If the order is sent to the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs for confirmation any objections which have not been withdrawn will be sent with the Order.

Under the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 this Council is obliged to make any representations received in response to this notice, open to public inspection.

Dated 8th June 2018

Buckinghamshire County Council
County Hall
Walton Street
Aylesbury
Bucks
HP20 1UA

Highways Act 1980 Section 119
 Diversion of Public Footpath No.47 (part)
 Parish of Chepping Wycombe



Grid References

Point A : SU9011-8908
 Point B : SU9010-8910
 Point C : SU9011-8910

Public Rights of Way

- Route to be deleted (A-B)
- Route to be added (A-C-B)
- Unaffected Footpaths
- Parish Boundary

G. Shepherd



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Month No : 3

Committee Report

Open Spaces

		Actual Year To Date	Current Annual Bud	Variance Annual Total	Committed Expenditure	Funds Available	% of Budget
101 General Amenity							
4013	Rental	0	15	15		15	0.0 %
4020	Establishment Costs Misc	0	0	0		0	0.0 %
4037	Grounds Maintenance	1,128	6,500	5,372		5,372	17.4 %
	General Amenity :- Expenditure	1,128	6,515	5,387	0	5,387	17.3 %
	Net Expenditure over Income	1,128	6,515	5,387			
102 Railway Land & Magpie Wood							
4013	Rental	0	250	250		250	0.0 %
4037	Grounds Maintenance	1,375	4,500	3,125		3,125	30.6 %
	Railway Land & Magpie Wood :- Expenditure	1,375	4,750	3,375	0	3,375	28.9 %
	Net Expenditure over Income	1,375	4,750	3,375			
103 King's Wood							
4037	Grounds Maintenance	72	5,750	5,678		5,678	1.3 %
4059	Fees	0	3,000	3,000		3,000	0.0 %
	King's Wood :- Expenditure	72	8,750	8,678	0	8,678	0.8 %
1077	Grants	0	2,185	-2,185			0.0 %
	King's Wood :- Income	0	2,185	-2,185			0.0 %
	Net Expenditure over Income	72	6,565	6,493			
104 Tylers Green Common & Pond							
4012	Water	131	1,000	869		869	13.1 %
4014	Electricity	20	150	130		130	13.4 %
4037	Grounds Maintenance	78	7,500	7,423		7,423	1.0 %
	Tylers Green Common & Pond :- Expenditure	229	8,650	8,421	0	8,421	2.6 %
1002	Permits	48	950	-902			5.1 %
1004	Service Charges	0	150	-150			0.0 %
1078	Maintenance Costs Recovered	66	300	-234			21.9 %
	Tylers Green Common & Pond :- Income	114	1,400	-1,286			8.1 %
	Net Expenditure over Income	115	7,250	7,135			

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		Actual Year To Date	Current Annual Bud	Variance Annual Total	Committed Expenditure	Funds Available	% of Budget
<u>105</u>	<u>Allotments</u>						
4012	Water	176	1,365	1,189		1,189	12.9 %
4037	Grounds Maintenance	-77	5,500	5,577		5,577	-1.4 %
	Allotments :- Expenditure	<u>100</u>	<u>6,865</u>	<u>6,765</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>6,765</u>	<u>1.4 %</u>
1001	Rents	48	4,600	-4,552			1.0 %
	Allotments :- Income	<u>48</u>	<u>4,600</u>	<u>-4,552</u>			<u>1.0 %</u>
	Net Expenditure over Income	<u>52</u>	<u>2,265</u>	<u>2,213</u>			
<u>106</u>	<u>General Recreation</u>						
4014	Electricity	17	100	83		83	16.9 %
4037	Grounds Maintenance	-82	9,900	9,982		9,982	-0.8 %
4060	Other Professional Fees	0	500	500		500	0.0 %
	General Recreation :- Expenditure	<u>-65</u>	<u>10,500</u>	<u>10,565</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>10,565</u>	<u>-0.6 %</u>
1002	Permits	225	1,000	-775			22.5 %
1079	Miscellaneous	0	220	-220			0.0 %
	General Recreation :- Income	<u>225</u>	<u>1,220</u>	<u>-995</u>			<u>18.4 %</u>
	Net Expenditure over Income	<u>-290</u>	<u>9,280</u>	<u>9,570</u>			
<u>107</u>	<u>Derehams</u>						
4012	Water	0	1,260	1,260		1,260	0.0 %
4014	Electricity	130	1,470	1,340		1,340	8.8 %
4025	Insurance	0	600	600		600	0.0 %
4036	Property Maintenance	0	1,000	1,000		1,000	0.0 %
4037	Grounds Maintenance	3,685	9,400	5,715		5,715	39.2 %
4038	Maintenance Contract	74	300	226		226	24.8 %
	Derehams :- Expenditure	<u>3,889</u>	<u>14,030</u>	<u>10,141</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>10,141</u>	<u>27.7 %</u>
1001	Rents	1,107	6,400	-5,293			17.3 %
1002	Permits	412	2,500	-2,088			16.5 %
1004	Service Charges	0	600	-600			0.0 %
	Derehams :- Income	<u>1,519</u>	<u>9,500</u>	<u>-7,981</u>			<u>16.0 %</u>
	Net Expenditure over Income	<u>2,370</u>	<u>4,530</u>	<u>2,160</u>			
<u>108</u>	<u>Dog Bins</u>						
4401	Waste Collection	1,415	4,700	3,285		3,285	30.1 %
	Dog Bins :- Expenditure	<u>1,415</u>	<u>4,700</u>	<u>3,285</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,285</u>	<u>30.1 %</u>
	Net Expenditure over Income	<u>1,415</u>	<u>4,700</u>	<u>3,285</u>			

Month No : 3

Committee Report

	Actual Year To Date	Current Annual Bud	Variance Annual Total	Committed Expenditure	Funds Available	% of Budget
Open Spaces :- Expenditure	8,143	64,760	56,617	0	56,617	12.6 %
Income	1,906	18,905	-16,999			10.1 %
Net Expenditure over Income	<u>6,237</u>	<u>45,855</u>	<u>39,618</u>			