



MELTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Tree Warden's Report

Actions arising from report submitted at 25th September 2019 Recreation Meeting:

1. I will try and discuss with volunteers during the next month or two the extent of their commitment and desire for training, and report back to the Committee.
2. I am interested in the available rope and posts and would welcome a chance to view what is available. A barrier of cut and fallen wood would look more natural, but rope and posts would look more official and would not, of itself, compress the affected roots.
3. Last year's planting has survived its most (I hope) vulnerable period; I have sufficient tall tubes for the planting planned within the wood; the 65 saplings which I expect to receive this month will arrive with at least some form of protection and the majority of them are earmarked for planting within private gardens in Melton where they should be safe. Therefore, I'm not campaigning for guards at this time.

Report

With regard to the tasks listed in my previous report, we have had 2 sessions of removing (sometimes very substantial) ivy from trees in and around the woods and recreation ground, but the other tasks should be progressed during Nov/Dec. A working party for Nov 2nd has been postponed because of weather outlook and (more importantly) clashing with rugby, but another is planned for the 9th and there will be more.

I didn't previously mention that in response to my recent advert in the Messenger, a dozen householders expressed interest in giving a home to 40 or more saplings in their gardens or allotments and distributing these will be another job for a busy November.

Finally, I must give notice that because of various factors I find it difficult to give the position of Tree Warden the attention it needs and deserves so I anticipate that in Spring or early Summer 2020 I shall be asking to be released, whilst remaining prepared to turn out occasionally for any working parties organised by my successor.

Lindsay Dann

Tree Warden

1st November 2019