



# MELTON PARISH COUNCIL

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## **Tree Warden Report**

Unfortunately there have been casualties among the rowans planted in Orchard Close before the recent rain, but I have a few trees in stock and more promised for November, so I shall replace them then.

Alongside the Recreation ground ditch, the working party met last month to clear undergrowth and give the saplings there more elbow room and light. I counted 100 survivors from about 110 (trees, that is, not volunteers!) planted 18 months ago. Some are still small, but several are 2m or more in height.

I plan to get the volunteers out during the autumn, planting to augment the hedgerow between Turnpike Lane and the 4 new houses. Also on the south side of that development, alongside the lane up to the woods from Turnpike Lane but outside the new fencing where the hedge was obliterated. It would be helpful to have the committee's approval for this.\*

The gentleman who was once keen to take over from me as Tree Warden has not responded to the information which I have occasionally sent, nor to the recent working party calls, so I fear he has lost interest. I will jog along, in a low-key manner, for the time being, if that's OK.

\* Note from Asst Clerk: The owners of the footpath running up into the woods from Turnpike Lane have been consulted about the replanting, have no objections and have offered to help with the planting.

Councillors are asked to:

- 1) Note and comment on this report.

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