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Management Protocol – Rope Walk Meadow/Community Orchard

Objectives

The objective of this document is to define the best practice, guidelines, and targets for the management of Rope Walk Meadow/Community Orchard.

The protocol is managed and agreed by the Amenities Committee and implemented by the Clerk and Groundsmen.

General Policy

The policy of the Council is to manage the general environment of Rope Walk Meadow and Community Orchard.

Parish Council Maintenance Policy

- WPC is responsible for most of the hedgerows, gates and fencing.
- WPC will maintain the ground, cutting orchard grass regularly in the growing season.
- The ground will be inspected, and remedial action taken, should any ground disturbance be found.
- WPC will maintain the trees, hedgerows and wildflowers to encourage wildlife.
- Litter will be collected and disposed of by the Grounds Team.
- Epicormic growth will be cut back and removed annually.
- A path through the meadow will be cut by mower monthly during the growing season.
- The orchard trees will be watered weekly between the months of May and August. The watering rate will be 5litres per week per tree unless there has been significant rainfall.
- Benches will be inspected on a regular basis and any undergrowth will be cleared.
- All proposed changes to the site must be in agreement with the Amenities Committee.

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