

Friends of Freshford – Tynning Projects Monthly Report – October 2021

Actions undertaken in September 2021

- Bulbs and Seeds ordered for 16th October planting day.
- Response to Tania's email of 28 September
 - FoF approved FPC recommendations for the bollard, orchard and heritage trees.
 - FoF agree to take on the maintenance of the orchard for 2 years after planting.
 - FoF is concerned about the 2 metre gap between new native hedge and wall. This could pose a danger to children hiding behind the hedge and injuring themselves on the barbed wire, or even falling off the wall.
 - FoF agrees that Alan hand cut the hedge with hand-held machinery along Freshford Lane but notes that B&NES flailed the hedge (road-side) on 4 October and hopes that Alan will be able to tidy this up.

Actions to be undertaken during October 2021

- Launch of tree sponsorship scheme. Initially, for bollard trees and orchard trees (£100 and £40 respectively). Sponsorship be offered to FoF members in the first instance and then extended to the wider community if appropriate.
- Thursday 7th October. Harvey Sherwood from Glorious Cotswold Grasslands project scattering seeds on the Tynning harvested from the Dawson's field. Arranged by FPC (Tania), FoF and Stephen Dawson.
- Rowena and Tania to discuss labels for sponsored trees
- Saturday 16th October - Seed and bulb planting day: Meet at War Memorial. 10 am onwards. Loulou to provide planting map. Planting to include native daffodils (*lobularis pseudonarcissus*), snowdrops (*galanthus nivallis*), winter aconite, fritillary and wood anemone.

Advance dates

- 27/28 November, and 4/5 and 11/12 December 2020: Community Tree Planting on the Tynning. Planting the heritage and bollard trees, community orchard and the new hedge.
- March 2022. Coppice planting
- FoF agrees to organise laying the hedge along Freshford Lane in Autumn 2022 if this is still recommended by the Cotswold Wardens. N.B. The tools from the hedge laying that took place in 2016 are stored by FoF.