Tree & Hedge Planting on Tyning

Briefing note on tree plans for Orchard, NW Corner Copse and Hedgerow near Boer



Orchard

- Cllr TP met with Rowena Wood and Candy on Tyning 10.9.21
- 11 heritage/local apple species on M26 rootstock (3m 10m) ordered
- 14 trees were approved in the F of F Tyning proposal but idea is to put the plums in the copse due to potential of wasps
- Due for planting in Nov 27th & 28th/Dec 4th & 5th)
- Location is to left of mown path from 5 bar gate to school field entrance.
- 4m spacing between trees
- To be mulched with bark 2m from each tree for 2-3 years, followed by yellow rattle seed to supress grass vigor.
- F of F will maintain for first couple of years (increase from Tyning Proposal of 1 year)
- Maintenance for FPC in years 3 onwards: cut grass 1x after spring bulbs and 1x in autumn & pruning as required.
- TP checking with David Horler (main grass cut contractor) if the location of the trees works with machinery access.

NW Corner copse

- To be planted between winter 2021 and spring 2022
- Includes 1x heritage walnut

- No cutting of grass will be required in this area
- Aim is to create an open copse of small woodland trees and shrubs with naturalised spring bulbs

Hedge near Boer Oak

Outline

Action to advise F of F on where to plant the hedge to take into account maintenance and protection of the retaining wall.

- Advice sought from <u>RHS</u>, <u>HabitatAid</u> and <u>Chew Valley Trees</u>
- Advice is no blackthorn or cornus as suckering and plant 1m away from retaining wall. No one thought the hedge would impact the wall negatively, the key issue will be hedge pruning as abutting the road with no pavement.
- Need to discuss with Alan Duck on how he will cut hedge from wall side and if he wants hedge brought forward into the Tyning field. It will require 1 x annual winter cut and ideally laying every 5 years (responsibility FPC)
- Suggest keeping barbed wire fencing for safety until hedge established.
- Ash and sycamore saplings are growing out of the wall or very near it and need to be cut back
- New hedge should extend round to the redundant signpost (increasing safety)