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Tree warden Report

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Tree Warden Report Annual Round up.

Trees and hedgerow have continued to planted, replanted and maintained. Planting take up, excepting the PARK project masterminded by our new additional Tree warden Pauline Carroll , has declined which was to be expected given limits on available space and time.

The Village Green footpath has continued to be used and really looks quite bedded in now. Over the next few years the Blackthorn will need to be addressed to stop path encroachment. Ash die back has continued to be an issue both on the Green and generally. It is now thought that Ash Dieback will eventually take most Ash Trees. There are a few countrywide showing signs of resistance but many have been so weakened by the disease that they are now susceptible to other threats and other diseases.

A big problem for young and older trees is deer and grey squirrel attack. To this end it is disappointing to have reported that protection is being removed from trees without an alternative replacement and grey squirrel containment measures being sabotaged. There was a time in the not too distant past that Red Squirrels lived in our woods and many efforts nationwide, including by our King, are being made to make this a reality again.

I understand there are minor tree works to be done in the Churchyard of St Michael's this winter for which permissions will be in place and we should all continue to protect the Yews and other trees in both that area and especially the Yew in the Congregational Burial Ground on Wisdom Hill.

As we approach mid May the trees in our landscape are becoming fully clothed in their various finery of greens . Flowers and wonderful aromas are perfuming the air and we should all walk in the sunshine of it all.

Here's to a wonderful Summer

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Thank you Tracy for your report.

Regards,

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