



## Notice of Meeting Next Meeting

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### ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Wednesday 29 November 2023, commencing at 6.30pm

To all members of the Environment Committee

You are hereby summoned to attend the meeting of the Environment Committee of Yeovil Without Parish Council to be held at **Yeovil Sports & Social Club, Johnson Park, Coronation Avenue, Yeovil, BA21 3DY**, when the business set out in the following agenda will be transacted.

*Barbara Appleby* Clerk to the Council - 24/11/23

Public open session

### AGENDA

1. **Apologies for absence**  
To receive apologies for absence
2. **Declaration of Interest**
3. **Minutes of the previous meeting**  
To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 27 September 2023
4. **Wessex Water – Impermeable area survey, Yeovil Marsh**
5. **Reports:**
  - a. **Outside authorises:**
  - b. **Area representatives:**
  - c. **Parish Ranger:**
6. **Free Trees:**  
**8 residents have registered for a small free tree.**  
To consider the next steps
7. **Grant Application:**  
To consider the grant application received from YMAS
8. **Date of next meeting**  
To agree the date of the next meeting

## End of Agenda

### Supporting documentation

#### 5c. Ranger Reports

##### September 23

Work completed.

- \* Strimmed Coppitts Hill Lane.
- \* Sprayed Yeovil Marsh.
- \* Strimmed Coppitts Hill junction on Tintinhull rd.
- \* Watered, fed and deadheaded planters.
- \* Strimmed Western corridor banks.
- \* Strimmed Yeovil Marsh Junction sightlines, verges and allotment path.
- \* Strimmed Crownland.
- \* Strimmed Church Hall.
- \* Tightened bolts in play park and repairing kaleidoscope bracket.
- \* Strimmed Johnson park play area.
- \* Removed fly tips from Western corridor.
- \* Started strimming Yeovil Marsh junction verges and sightlines.
- \* Collected sid port from damaged post on Mudford Road.
- \* Removed closing systems and loosening screws ready for replacing Yeovil Marsh phonebox door.
- \* Sanded and painted corroded areas of phonebox exterior.
- \* Started sanding interior of phonebox.

Absences.

None.

Work to do.

- \* Continue refurbishing Yeovil Marsh phonebox.
- \* Install phonebox doors.

##### October 23

Work completed.

- \* Finished sanding phonebox.
- \* Painted pink primer on inside and first coat of red on exterior.
- \* Watered, fed and deadheaded planters.
- \* Strimmed Johnson park.
- \* Strimmed Combe park and paths.
- \* Strimmed Alastair close.
- \* Removed phonebox door from Yeovil Marsh.

- \* Installed Tommy's.
- \* Replaced 3 grit bins.
- \* Cleared drains and ditches in Coppitts Hill Lane and Marsh Lane.

Absences.

- \* 11th to 12th October, no cover.

Work to do.

- \* Install phonebox doors.
- \* Finish painting phonebox.
- \* Strimming.

## **6. Free Trees** – emails received from Somerset Council & parish ranger - 23/11

Morning Barbara

At the moment we are on a restricted spend so it might be easier if I recommend a supplier and you buy them direct if that is ok?

This is a company I have used locally that are good and Darren could collect them [Ashridge | Your Online Garden Centre for Great Plants & Advice \(ashridgetrees.co.uk\)](http://ashridgetrees.co.uk)

Kind Regards  
Steve

Hi Barbara.

I talked to Foxy this morning, he cannot buy anything due to the financial freeze.

There should be some trees in the nursery which he was going to investigate today and email later with options.

Alternatively, he was going to give you names and contacts for suppliers. One possibility is ashridge trees which is relatively near and can be collected from site.

Generally, you plant bare rooted trees Oct to Dec and container/ball rooted trees Oct to Mar. The earlier a tree can be planted the greater the survivability.

Best regards.

Darren.

## 7. Grant Application

# Yeovil Marsh Allotment Society



To Yeovil Without Parish Council

We would like to be considered for a grant towards the creation of the new wildlife area and orchard at the allotments in Yeovil Marsh.  
We are asking for a grant of £1394 for the following.

English oak 150/175 cm  
Rowan/ Mountain ash 150 cm  
Horse chestnut 60/80 cm  
Silver Birch 150 cm  
Alder 150cm  
Wych Elm 40/60 cm  
Small leaved Lime 120/150 cm  
Walnut 60/80cm  
White beam 60/80 cm  
Filbert cob 40/60 cm

6 of each total £405

Bramley apple  
James Greaves apple  
Cornish aromatic apple  
RHS Concorde pear  
Comice pear  
Damson  
Rivers Plum

2 of each total £404

These are bare root trees which are planted between November and March and are very much cheaper than potted plants. These are all available from Ashridge Nursery of Castle Cary

From other sources, Protection netting, stakes and weed suppression. £ 240

Native bulbs like bluebell, wild daffodils, lily of the valley and wild garlic all from Landlife wildflowers to fill in the area under the new wildlife area trees. 1000s bulbs £ 345

All planting and after care will be carried out by the allotment committee. By planting the above we will be increasing bio diversity, reducing our carbon footprint and providing fruit and nuts for tenants for years to come.

Many thanks for your consideration.

Yeovil Marsh Allotment Society