

It was also commented that more sowing of native wild flowers should be undertaken.

Resolved:

- That the Works List for October 2014 be noted.

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Stones Orchard

The Chairman introduced this item and asked Cllr Dann to elaborate. Cllr Dann stated that there had been of late noticeable damage to some of the trees in Stones Orchard particularly the plum trees due to people climbing them and pulling low branches down to pick fruit.

It was suggested that perhaps there should be some signs installed but it was considered this may be counterproductive and it would also introduce unnecessary clutter into the Orchard. Tree guards were also suggested but it was considered that these may get vandalised.

It was stated that some pruning works will be undertaken in the near future as per the management plan and this may lift the lower branches and also make trees more difficult to climb.

Members were advised that there was to be a Friends of Stones Orchard meeting next month and any future tree planting can be considered there with recommendations passed back to the Council with any recommendations then considered against the Management Plan.

Resolved:

- That trees in Stones Orchard are monitored for damage;
- That a recurring item be placed on the Agenda for three months to report back on tree damage.

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Closure

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.22pm.