

ADDERBURY PARISH COUNCIL

Date of Parish Council Meeting	Tuesday 26 July 2022
Agenda Item Number	<i>Item 9 (vi)</i>
Author	Theresa Goss
Title of Report	Memorial Tree
Summary	To discuss a request for a memorial tree in the village.
Recommendation	Authority be delegated to the Clerk, in consultation with the Chairman, to agree with the family on a suitable species/location for the memorial tree and the maintenance arrangements. The costs for the tree and plaque to be covered by the family.
Reasons for the Recommendation	To support the family to remember a member of the Adderbury community.
Impact on Budget	None immediately as the costs for the tree and plaque will be covered by the family. However, the long term maintenance will fall to the Parish Council.
Risks	None
Background	<p>The Parish Council received the email below:</p> <p><i>Our mothe, has recently passed away. Although she moved from Adderbury some time ago, her heart was always 'back home' at West Leigh, Tanners Lane.</i></p> <p><i>As a keen gardener and nature lover (often winning the best cottage garden award) we would love to purchase and plant a tree in her honour somewhere in the village or by the Lakes.</i></p> <p><i>Please advise if this is possible and the processes required.</i></p> <p>Response from the Parish Council:</p> <p><i>Thank you for the email.</i></p> <p><i>A request for a memorial tree would need to be considered by the Parish Council, so I will include this on the agenda for the meeting being held on Tuesday 26 July 2022.</i></p> <p><i>I am aware that due to the number of trees at Adderbury Lakes, it is unlikely that the Management Committee would agree to planting a new tree in this location.</i></p> <p><i>Therefore, if you could suggest some locations in the village, I can report these to the PC next week. If a new tree is planted, would you be covering the costs of the purchase and also of the plaque? In addition,</i></p>

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	<p><i>there would also be initial watering and care of the tree when it is first planted which would need to be agreed, as well as the long-term maintenance.</i></p> <p><i>You might also consider erecting a plaque at an existing tree, perhaps in a location which your mother was fond of in the village?</i></p> <p><i>I'll leave you to think about how to progress this and if you can come back to me by the end of the week, that'd be very helpful. If you are not able to reach a decision by then, we can always defer the matter to the September meeting for discussion, so please don't feel rushed.</i></p> <p>As of 23 July 2022, the PC has not received a response.</p>
Supporting documents; advice, reports etc should always be attached to the report and listed here	None.