

ADDERBURY PARISH COUNCIL

Date of Parish Council Meeting	Tuesday 29 October 2019
Agenda Item Number	Item Number 9 (vii)
Author	Diane Bratt
Title of Report	Forest Schools Project
Summary	To receive an update on the Forest School Project on land adjacent to Adderbury Court Amenity land on Banbury rd.
Recommendation	APC to note the progress so far (see below) To agree ongoing bio-diversity project of tree planting (see below). Also that Councillor Bratt continues liaison on this project with the school.
Reasons for the Recommendation	To support the primary school with the Forest Schools Project. To maintain the land and enable the school to use it. To increase bio-diversity in this area as part of APC's policy on Bio-diversity and following the Adderbury Neighbourhood Plan policies AD2 Green Infrastructure and AD4 Local Open Spaces
Impact on Budget	Yes. This area has been added to the existing contract for the amenity area at Adderbury Court at an extra £50 per cut. No cost for trees – free from Woodland Trust.
Risks	That the area will become overgrown and the school will not be able to use it.
Background	This land is designated by APC for ecological projects/use and APC has agreed to CR School using it for their Forest Schools Project. (Terms of agreement previously accepted) The children designed plans of what they want the site to look like and what they want in it. APC has liaised with the school. There have been two working parties on the area during the year, involving parents, children and members of the community. The PC plans to work with the School to continue use and ecological development of this area.
Supporting documents; advice, reports etc should always be attached to the report and listed	Report from Tracy Ostler, Lead teacher for Forest School project at CRPS: “We used the area last year for work on the environment in

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here	<p>terms of bug hunting with groups and classes and Muddy Feet came and ran some parent sessions. This year we have a lot of plans for the area in terms of our outdoor learning. We now have an eco-club who are keen to use the area. We have acquired some crates to complete our insect home. I think the eco group are planning to make bird feeders. The school would really like to be involved in the tree planting”.</p> <p>It is planned to plant a small number (4-5) of native fruiting trees which the PC has ordered from the Woodland Trust in March 2020. This will be a combined PC, community and School project linked with residents at the Rise (also receiving trees) and the members of the Adderbury WI.</p>
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