

Briefing Note

Naming New Apple Varieties

For Estates & Facilities Management Committee on 10 September 2020 – Item 9.4

Introduction

This briefing note sets out the information provided by Martin Sadler which suggests names for the new apple varieties recently identified. Members are asked to note the background information and agree a recommendation to Council for the suggested names.

Background

Martin Sadler has 12 'Hurstpierpoint' apple trees either grafted or growing on their own roots in his garden.

Of the 12, he proposes that 4 enter the orchard to represent the village. Three are basically red, green with red flush and green. There is a fourth which is yellow and he believe is a cross of a Cheals Sussex apple. Having the full colour range of local apples would benefit the orchard. This apple has been 'reared' by Martin Sadler.

There would therefore be four local apples in the orchard:

1. A red apple, known to date as Bishop's Place as it came from that area. David Evans originally located it. It is grafted as a half standard and is ready for the orchard. This apple could be known as Amanda Geel. It was the first unique apple found in the village.
2. A green/red apple from the 'bus shelter' area of Albourne Road which can be named Hurstpierpoint Pippin. At present there are three of these each about 3 foot high. The best to enter the orchard.
3. A green long keeping apple from the southern end of the A23 in Newtimber parish. To be named Newtimber Pippin. It is also a half standard and is ready for the orchard.
4. The yellow apple grown by me on its own roots which (if you must) can be Martin Sadler. This apple has yet to be DNA tested but should prove unique.

If the above is accepted we will have a good range of apple types representing the village.

Conclusion:

If Members agree the following names can be recommended to Council for approval as set out below:

RECOMMENDATION: That the Committee AGREES to recommend to Council, the apples names as follows:

- i. **Red Apple to be named Amanda Geel;**
- ii. **Green/Red Apple to be named Hurstpierpoint Pippin;**
- iii. **Green Apple to be named Newtimber Pippin; and**
- iv. **Yellow Apple to be named Martin Sadler.**