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Hurst Meadows Working Group Meeting

9th April 2026

Attendees: Cllr Claire Majsai (CM), Allan Brown (AB) and Stephen Witchell (SW).

Apologies: Cllr Malcolm Llewellyn, Dr Georgina Judd, and Rebecca Rees.

Minutes

*Walk around meeting to discuss Meadows and planned works

1. Millennium Garden

- a. SW is to investigate the leaning trees on the North side of the meadow.
- b. SW is to investigate the costing to cut back Laurel around the Montreal Pine and Northern section.
- c. A Volunteer work party is to be planned, to remove the dead hedge around the meadow, with the maintenance officer assisting by cutting the bulk of brambles before works commence.
- d. Once the work party is completed the knee rail surrounding the meadow will be installed.
- e. SW is to investigate the pruning of the apple trees and prolong their life.
- f. The group is happy with how the gardens are looking with a good contrast between Countryside area and former formal garden.

2. Cycleway

- a. The Brambles on the north side at the East end, need to be cut back to prevent them from encroaching onto the hedging plants.
- b. We are to monitor the encroaching weeds on the edges.
- c. The handover is still in process with WSCC, we are awaiting an update.

3. Meadow maintenance

- a. SW is to speak with Greenscene to discuss their opinion on cutting Buckwilly every 2 years.
- b. The Fifteen Acres pattern will continue as last year.
- c. We are happy with the natural generation in Edgerley meadow.

4. Management Plan

- a. We will arrange a meeting to discuss the management plan outside of a HMWG meeting.

5. Any Other Business

- a. Hamish is to be reminded to
 - i. put up the Skylark signs around the meadows.
 - ii. clear the path in Hovelfield.
 - iii. cut back the Marchant Close track, to provide a safe haven for users.