

Wickham Market Parish Council

Environment and Leisure Committee

Reports August 14th 2023

Item 23:28 Cemetery update report

Note tree work covered in Report for Item 27

Work parties last Thursday of most months is successful and many jobs relating to tree and hedge management are carried out.

July 29th ; 11 hours work was carried out by 4 volunteers pruning box hedge and mulching (with the mushroom compost) and extensive decayed tribute collection (thanks to Cllr Huggins).

Cemetery working group meeting was cancelled for July 18th due to injury, to be reconvened with East Suffolk Services (LATCo.)

Agenda items will be needed but may include:

Discuss way forward for new gate and fencing at access off B1438

Rabbit control feedback from previous offers (E&L members) to seek more options and operatives

Deer management

Tree protection

Future bulb planting and protection/management of wildflower margins

Bird Boxes

Barn owl boxes were inspected by Malcolm Key/RSPB and his team, thanks to Sonya Exton for organising and Simon for assistance. No barn owl traces this year sadly.

Jackdaws were found to be nesting in one box.

Sonya Exton is working with Rodney and Maggie and dealing with bird box checking and replacements as needed.

Anne Westover Parish Tree Warden and Cemetery Working Group
and Sonya Exton Tree Warden

10th August 2023