**Invitation to quote – South Hinksey**

South Hinksey Parish Council invites you to submit a quotation for the 2021 contract. The seven areas of work are:

# **Burial ground**

Frequency and timing of cutting dependent on weather and grass growth. All grass mowings and cuttings are to be taken away and must go for proper legal disposal and not be dumped locally, along Parker Road or anywhere else.

## **Grave area and outside the fence along Parker Road**

Close mow to keep tidy throughout the year. All grass mowings and cuttings are to be taken away and must go for proper legal disposal and not be dumped locally.

## **The currently unused area**

Mow on the same basis as the roadside verges. Cuttings may be left in situ.

# **Roadside verges**

Cut the verges and traffic islands, as marked in green on the plans on pages 2 and 3 of the 2015 tender documents attached, seven times this season. Cuttings may be left in situ except outside the burial ground as stated above.

At the top of Hinksey Hill, cut not only the verges marked in green on the plans on page 3 of the 2015 tender documents attached but all the verges on that side of the road from the Westwood Hotel around the corner as far as the 30mph sign just beyond the end of the lay-by.

Trim back any hedgerows encroaching on the verges and maintain shrubs on Hinksey Hill traffic islands as needed.

# **Footpath**

Ensure that bushes and weeds do not encroach onto the footpath connecting South Hinksey village with the City of Oxford, called the Devil’s Backbone, between the western end of the footbridge over the railway and where the path meets Manor Road in South Hinksey. See map on page 1 of the 2015 tender documents attached.

# **Weed control**

Twice per year treat weeds and remove the debris along pavements, curbs and roadsides on Manor Road, St Lawrence Road and Parker Road in South Hinksey village, and along Hinksey Hill (including traffic islands) and Betty Lane.

# **Woodland**

There are three aspects to this:

1. Mow the wide path around the main area of trees twice to promote the growth of wildflowers: once before spring and once after summer. All grass mowings and cuttings are to be taken away and must go for proper legal disposal and not be dumped locally.
2. Mow a narrow path around and beyond the main wooded area so walkers are both encouraged and guided in their use of the area. Cuttings may be left in situ.
3. Maintain access to the woodland via the small entrance at the north end of the site. Cut back any shrubs, brambles making it difficult for people to access the site from the north.

# **Village Fête mowing**

Mow once per year two areas of 30mx35m in the field to rear of Village Hall. All grass mowings and cuttings are to be taken away and must go for proper legal disposal and not be dumped locally.

# **Former General Eliott pub car park, Manor Road**

Cut grass and shrubs regularly to keep this piece of land from becoming an eyesore in the heart of the village. All mowings and cuttings are to be taken away and must go for proper legal disposal and not be dumped locally.

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Parish Clerk

Monday 1st February 2021