



# **JOB VACANCY**

Following the announcement that Colin one of our assistant lengthsmen is to retire later this year the Parish Council are seeking to appoint a new assistant lengthsman who will be required to work for 13 hours per week on a flexible service contract between December 2018 and March 2020. This person will undertake basic open space enhancement works such as path edging, removal of overgrowth / undergrowth, fence and post painting and generally supporting the maintenance and tidying of the area. There will be no requirement to use power tools. The selected person will be self employed or, required to register as such. The rate of pay will be £10.00 per hour which amounts to an overall service contract of £6760.00 per annum. This opportunity to help enhance the local area would suit amongst others either, an existing self employed person wishing to have a basic regular contract or, an active retired person who would need to register as self employed.

Anyone who is interested in the above opportunity and, the chance to join our existing contractor team should contact the Clerk to the Parish Council as soon as possible for further information and an application form / works schedule on

## 01772 733829 or e-mail: leaparishcouncil@hotmail.com

### **UPDATES ON OTHER ISSUES AND ACTIVITIES**



The path across Miller Green has now been completed and many local residents are taking advantage of this new facility which has seen the use of Miller Green extended even more. People are using it to cross the green, children use the low mown area for recreational activities and dog walkers welcome the ability to exercise their dogs on this valuable community space.

The raised beds, that are to be installed adjacent to the existing notice board, are already dug out and work will commence soon on draining the area to the hedge side. Once this is complete the structure itself will be erected to create the raised beds and planting will take place soon after. In addition some further planting of established trees and shrubs is to take place alongside part of the new path. A new notice board is to be erected and, consideration given to including some benches in the centre of the field by the low mown play area, as envisaged in the original drawing, that was published a few months ago. New replacement notice boards are also to be installed in Lea Town, at St Margaret's Church and at Cottam Community Centre.



The pond at Jubilee Avenue has now had a new fence installed and much of the overgrowth around the pond removed. Further work as previously outlined, including new shrub planting, bulb planting and the creation of a grassed area is to be undertaken this autumn.

A number of further small project enhancements have been undertaken as shown below. More work is to be done on some of our play areas which are also badly in need of sprucing up.



The railings around a play area off Cottam Way have been repainted. In due course the equipment itself will be refurbished by our own lengthsmen.



The seating and waste bins on the path at the bottom of Valentine's Lane were relocated to make them more accessible. They were also repainted.



The area around the post box on Cottam Way has been cleared of weeds, the fencing re-stained and the bench and litter bin repainted.

The rails and posts on Valentine's Meadow have been re-stained and repainted.

Enhancement works continue on a daily basis to help improve the neighbourhood for the benefit and well being of its residents.



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MEETING DATES FOR THE NEXT FEW MONTHS ARE: 10TH SEPTEMBER 2018 @ COTTAM COMMUNITY CENTRE @ 7.30pm 29TH OCTOBER 2018 @ COTTAM COMMUNITY CENTRE @ 7.30pm

#### POLICE AND COMMUNITIES TOGETHER

For many years regular meetings have been held within the area known as PACT meetings where residents have had an opportunity to speak to the local police regarding local issues. It seems that in most areas these meetings are not well attended and there is thought that perhaps they no longer serve a useful purpose. Information about crime and ASB can now be obtained direct using online police information pages which give lots of information about what is happening in your area. You can also register with 'In The Know' and receive your own updates on police matters that might affect you or you wish to know about. Find out what's really happening in your area - receive regular crime updates, information on road closures, information about fires and other emergencies and learn about what your local neighbourhood policing team is doing. You no longer need attend a meeting to know what is going on. You also save police time by finding out for yourself.



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