

Balancing pond maintenance

Balancing ponds located on Hollowdyke Lane and Spring Lane

Maintenance requirements:

- 1) Beds of ponds need fail mowing monthly in the growing season
- 2) Banks and surrounds need Strimming monthly in the growing season
- 3) Spring Lane only. Hedgerow needs cutting back twice a year
- 4) Fencing maintained as required
- 5) Head wall cleaned out as required

Equipment required:

ATV	(existing)
Tow along fail	(required)
Strimmer and hedge cutter	(existing)

Growing season:

Fail mowing is conceded as rough mowing therefore the season would be April to September (6 months). This would mean the ponds always look maintained with the minimum number of visits.

Time required for maintenance works:

1) Mowing bed with tow along fail mower, 2 hours per pond	4 hours
2) Strimming banks and surrounds, 6 hours Hollowdyke, 8 Hours Spring,	14 hours
3) Cutting hedges and clearing waste away	16 hours

For the 6 month season this would add 18 hours per month onto our work load and an extra 12 hours every sixth month.

Costings:

1) Fail mowing:	Labour 4 hours x 6 visits = 24 hours @ £15	£360.00
	Fuel for ATV and fail	£ 120.00
		Cost £480.00
2) Strimming:	Labour 14 hours x 6 visits = 84 hours @ £15	£1260.00
	Fuel and strimmer wire	£ 180.00
		Cost £1440.00
3) Hedge cutting:	Labour 16 hours x 2 = 32 @ £15	£480.00
	Fuel and oil	£ 30.00
	Waste removal 2 x £15	£ 30.00
		Cost £540.00
	Total cost for maintenance	£2460.00

Notes:

Spoke with farmer who does the meadow, because of the frequency and the fact they would have to us a smaller machine (not the tractor mounted fail) he would charge £135 per pond each visit.

Total charge of £1620.00 just for fail mow per year

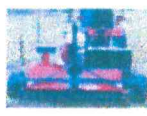
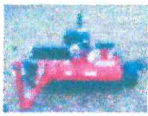
We would still have to carry out the Strimming and hedge cutting.

Over 5 years Farmers cost for just fail mowing		£8100.00
Purchase a machine and do fail work within site staff	5 years.	£5715.00



FM48 Heavy Duty Flail Mower

Reference: S0651



£3,315.78

Delivery:

England/Wales: £48.00

Scotland: £72.00

Highlands: £96.00

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Quantity

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