

Fernwood Projects

Ongoing maintenance costs

Date; 6/04/2016

Project: To cut the word *Fernwood* into turf on banking beside Goldstraw Lane entrance

Maintenance Required: Yes. Strimming around edges

On Going Cost: 1) Extra 10 minutes per fortnight x 26 visits
= 4hours 33 min's @ £15 = £64.95

2) 2 litres of fuel @ £105per litre = £2.10

Total = £67.05

Total cost per resident: £67.05 divided by 918 = £0.08p per year

Costings prepared by: John Jeys Facilities manager Fernwood

FERNWOOD PETANQUE CLUB

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Dear Emma

On behalf of Fernwood Petanque Club can we ask for written permission from the land owners to put a paved surround around the perimeter of the petanque terrain.

The surround will be 1.2 metres wide and will also connect the terrain to the 3 benches. This will allow disabled access to all parts of the terrain and will be wide enough for wheelchair and scooter access.

We would also like permission to put handrails around the paving to allow disabled and/or elderly to walk safely. The rails would match the rails surrounding the green in design and colour but will be plastic in construction so as to be safe to touch (no splinters!). The rail would be 3ft high to enable its use as a handrail.

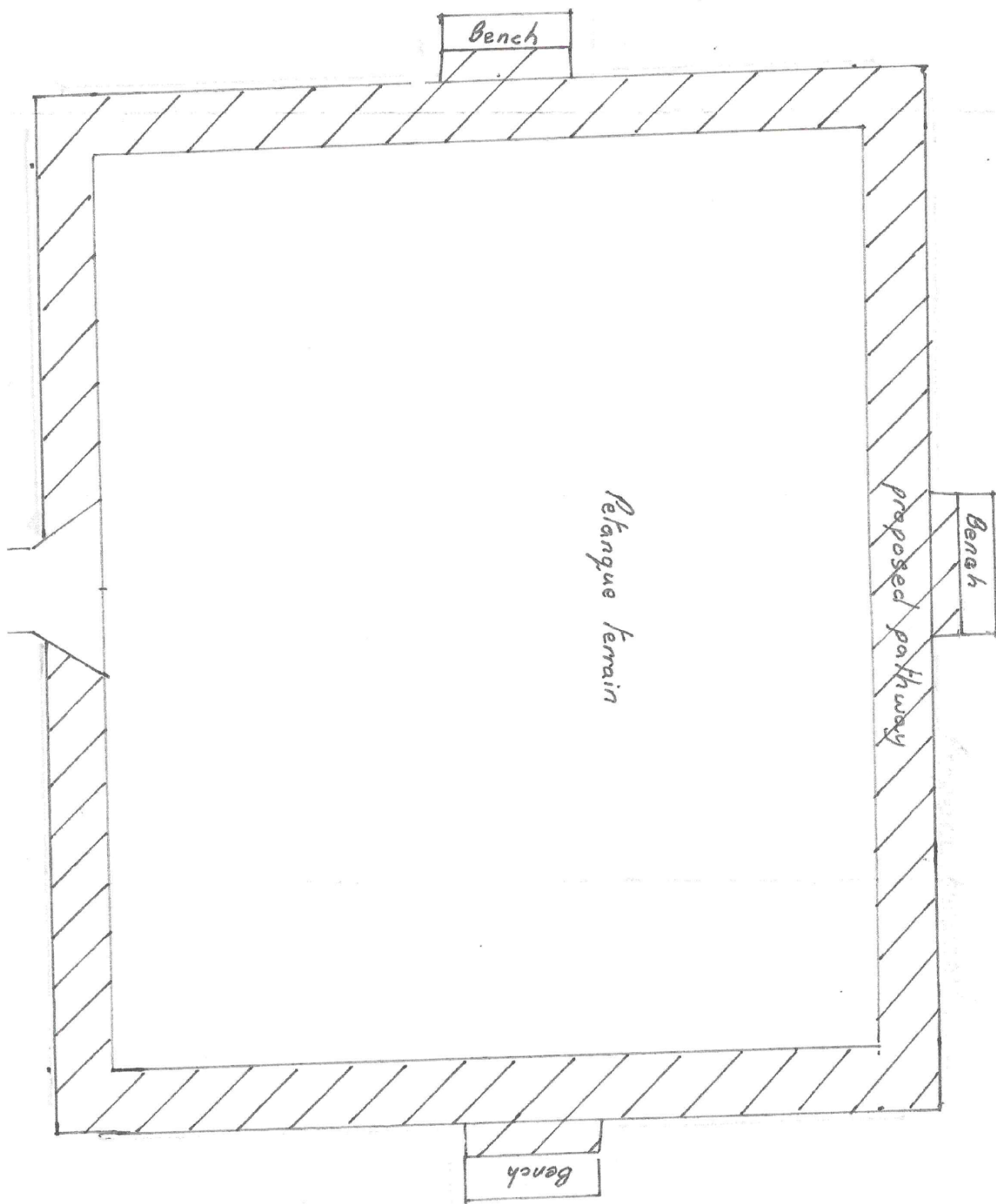
As you will appreciate some of our members are elderly and we have several disabled members. The terrain is open 24/7 so it will enable safe access for visitors and other elderly or disabled residents who wish to access the terrain, both as spectators or participants also the proposal will improve the area which floods during the bad weather.

The construction would be funded by the Petanque Club via self funding and on going maintainance would be funded by the Petanque Club

Yours sincerely

Signature Removed

John Proctor (Chairman Fernwood Petanque Club)



Fernwood Conservation Group



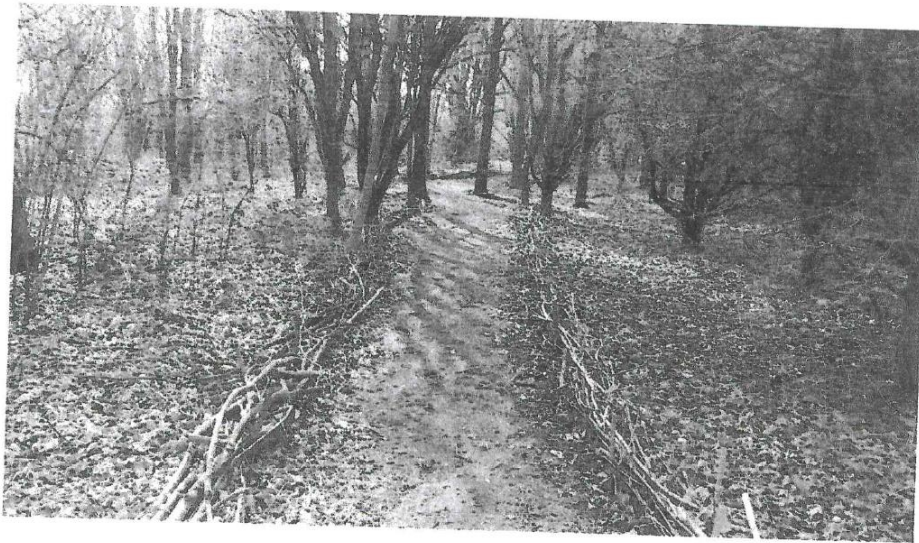
Project :Plant the Banking a the beginning of Goldstraw Lane

Objective –To give Fernwood some character and a welcome ,cared for feel when entering the village.We would like to write “ FERNWOOD” in flowers along the banking by cutting out the turf and infilling with flowers .Initially we would cut out the turf and infill with a light coloured chippings .This will maintain the outline and look throughout the year even in winter .Flowers can then be planted at appropriate times.

The Work To be carried out by the Conservation group ,Chippings and flowers to be funded by the group.

Ongoing Maintenance First Port currently maintain the banking by regular mowing and this will not change .However there will be a need for an occasional tidying of the edges .First Port have Kindly supplied us with a costing for this (see separate sheet) which works out to an annual cost of **8 pence** per household .

Conservation Group -Proposed woodland walk project 2

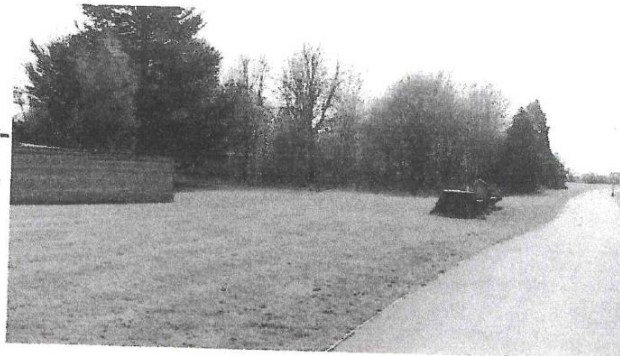


Over two years ago a path was created in the woodland beside the meadow by the conservation group .It can be seen from the picture above that the path is well used ,has not been abused and is still tidy .In fact it turns out that it has required no maintenance so far ,regular footfall keeping the path from becoming overgrown.



This is the woodland behind Cameron Lane.It is frequented by youths in the evenings evidenced by discarded plastic bottles ,beer cans and rubbish as seen in the picture to the left

We would like to create a path through this area to encourage dog walkers and others and discourage vandalism by their presence .This would be carried out by the conservation group with the only cost a bit of voluntary work .Once established there should be ongoing maintenance as shown by the meadow walk. A win win project potentially .



Fernwood Residents' Association

LETTER TO THE CLERK TO FERNWOOD PARISH COUNCIL

Dear Emma

The new procedures for approving changes to the public spaces maintained by First Port has not yet been fully proposed by FMSG and agreed by the Parish Council.

At the recent FRA Committee meeting, the latest projects submitted were reviewed and until proper approval procedures are in place FRA would like to provide the Councillors with their comments and recommendations. Please see below:

Petanque Club

Following discussions a vote was taken on the two parts to the project:

A - 1.2m wide paving surround to provide disabled access to all parts Vote - 7 For / 0 Against

Recommended for Approval

B - 3' green plastic handrails for disabled/elderly aid Vote 0 For / 7 Against

Not Recommended

The Committee felt that more information is required for this part of the project. Not only the issue as to whether it was the right height for the elderly but the practicality of access and movement of mobility scooters and wheelchairs if the rail fenced in the area as detailed in the drawing. The issue of 3rd party liability also needs to be addressed in case of accidents due to the rail visibility/height etc. However, in principal if the handrail design and positioning could be shown as fit for purpose, the majority (vote 5/2) of the current committee would recommend this part of the project.

Points to address:

- 3rd party liability responsibilities
- Points of access from outside/inside
- How will it help?
- Height, colour and type (photographic example)
- Why the full surround like a fence?

Conservation Group

One committee member has an interest in these proposals and therefore abstained from voting.

Project 1: FERNWOOD in Flowers

Concerns revolved around the upkeep of the cut FERNWOOD area especially if the group dissolved.

Vote 0 For / 6 Against

Not Recommended

The Committee, however, felt that the creation of a simple flower bed would enhance the area and grass cutting in the rest of the area would be simplified with the edging of a single flower bed easier to maintain and would also eliminate any extra maintenance costs. The Committee suggested that the Conservation group could 'write the word FERNWOOD' in flowers.

Vote 4 For / 2 Against

Recommended for Approval

Project 2: Woodland Walk

The group would create a new Woodland Walk behind Cameron Lane to discourage vandalism in the area. The group would absorb all costs through volunteers and there will be no on-going maintenance costs chargeable to residents.

Vote - 6 For / 0 Against

Recommended for Approval

The FRA Committee hope the Councillors find the above viewpoint useful in making their decisions.

Kind Regards

Sue Taylor

Secretary to FRA