



Data from the Community Survey :

205 people (41.9%) - more planting of flowers and shrubs in open areas

157 people (32.1%) - more Seating in open areas

146 people (29.9%) - more Litter Bins

In mid March 2009 an audit was taken of the roads in Oakley Green and Fifield to assess opportunities for further planting, seating and waste bins as highlighted in the results from the Community Survey. This is a summary of our findings and work-in-progress

Flowers and shrubs in open areas

Location of planting opportunities	Proposal/status
Open space next to the old Hare and Hounds site by the bus stop in Fifield Road. Currently as mown turf.	Already underway as a Parish Project for additional planting.
Entrances to side roads from main roads because the verges here are often wider.	More daffodil bulbs, otherwise grass mown neatly.
Entrances to public footpaths & bridleways.	Trim hedges back and mow grass beneath - eg. footpath at junction with Fifield Road and track.
Bus stops - Fifield Road.	Ask if Fifield Inn would be kind enough to supply flower baskets again and make sure that the pub are given credit at the stop.
Entrances to villages - by village name plates.	Bulbs and small evergreen shrub planting where the posts enter the ground.
Fifield Road and Manor Grove junction - open spaces either side of Manor Grove entrance.	Look at perhaps tidying the areas and enhancing with plants to further attract birdlife - look to enhance with berried plants maybe.

Summary

Due to the nature of Fifield and Oakley Green being linear villages, with no central ‘green’, the main planting opportunities are the verges. There is already quite a bit of spring bulb planting here. There is also a well maintained area of roses and turf on Fifield Road. The only area of significant size to plant with more than bulbs is the site adjacent to the old Hare and Hounds which is already underway as a Parish Project.

General Proposal

Running an article in the Autumn issue of the magazine encouraging householders to plant-up their own verges outside their homes and recommend a couple of varieties of daffodil. Take photos now for use in the Autumn. Complete bulb survey once they are all in bloom and identify gaps for community planting. Check the mowing policy on all verges especially those that are not currently mown.

If you have any comments, suggestions or specific ideas please, please, please submit them to the Environment Group either via the website or by post c/o The Parish Office, Moneyrow Green, Holyport, SL6 2NA.

Seating

Locations and opportunities	Proposal
Space next to old Hare and Hounds site.	Already a Parish Project underway. There is a seat donated by the Hare and Hounds that has never been used which is at the cemetery - maybe concreted –in ?
Bus stops.	Check all seating is well maintained and dry. Check with council re the cleaning regime.
Area of open space in Coningsby Lane just beyond houses at the Fifield Road end on the north side.	Quite peaceful and scenic. Not near houses to attract those who hang around.

Summary

Due to the nature of Fifield and Oakley Green being linear villages, there are no obvious areas that require seating either aesthetically or functionally other than the bus stops.

General Proposal

It is not clear from the survey what people had in mind and where any specific needs are. Please contact us if you know somewhere that could do with a seat.

Litter Bins

Locations and opportunities	Proposal
Coningsby Lane at start of public footpath. Black - top enclosed.	Confirm how often this is emptied. Is it really required ? How well is it used ? Is it really a dog poo bin ?
Bus stop - Fifield Road - horrible blue. Bus stop - Oakley Green Road - black but open.	Confirm how often these are emptied. Can we replace open bin with enclosed one that is fox-proof ? Can we replace horrible blue one with black ?
Windsor Road - seem to be none apart from BP forecourt.	To be checked again.

Summary

There appears to be a need at bus stops. One was over-flowing - but was this casual tipping ?

General Proposal

It is not clear from the survey what people had in mind and where the additional need is. Please contact us if you know somewhere that could do with a litter bin.

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