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## **BIODIVERSITY ENHANCEMENT SCHEME**

### **Planting of native Wildflower seeds**



### **‘THE GREEN’ MARTIN HUSSINGTREE**

## Aim

To create a natural habitat for wildlife by planting a wild flower meadow in the Spring 2021. To compliment the native tree planting scheme carried out in Autumn 2020.

The benefit is that The Green surrounded by roads is highly visible to passing vehicles but the grassland is of relatively low quality with limited botanical diversity and establishing a wildflower meadow will enhance it to a more wildlife friendly state improving the biodiversity of the land.

The Green, freely open to the public, is a triangle of grassland approximately 100 metres on all sides with ditches bordering the A38 Worcester Road and A4538 Pershore Lane with a small tree copse at the western point.

## Scheme

Appropriate ground preparation is required before wildflower seed can be sown:

- (i) The existing vegetation to be close cut mowed.
- (ii) The soil scarified/harrowed in the selected areas to create a clean seed bed.
- (iii) The seed rolled into the soil to improve germination.

The seed to be an economy pre-mix consisting of: cowslip, cuckoo flower, primrose, prunella, birdsfoot trefoil, oxeye daisy, yarrow, et alia.

The marginal borders around the edges of the site fronting the surrounding roads will remain grassed areas and kept short for road visibility safety reasons.

Funding: £656 from balance of NHB granted allocation. Other extraneous work costs to be funded from Parish Council community projects fund.

## Continuation of the scheme

Effective stewardship of the enhancement scheme and long term management of the wildflower meadow is recognised by the Parish Council.

The commitment of protection and enhancement of a community heritage asset will ensure the survival and the important role 'The Green' plays in the provision of a visual and environmental asset within Martin Hussingtree.

Plan of 'The Green'.



Views of 'The Green' and grassed Border fronting surrounding roads

