

## **Ide Parish Council**

### **Report from Pynes Community Orchard Working Group to IPC meeting 15 July 2020**

1. Grass meadow has been allowed to grow on ecologist's advice.
2. Pathway swathes have been cut around the perimeter and the diagonal- and in the putative BBQ and social areas.
3. Extensive watering was carried out by NCAB during dry May.
4. Grass has been strimmed around trees.
5. Whole orchard will be cut in late July - again on ecologist's advice re wild flowers and grasses seeding.
6. The group has not met since Covid-19 lockdown.
7. Significant progress made with the option to purchase agreement in respect of mineral rights covenant (waived), restrictions on use (community, non commercial, recreational use plus allotments and cemetery), vacant possession and overages on onward sale within 15 years or development for commercial profit within 50 years. Only one outstanding matter, which was almost certainly resolved in discussions on 6 July.
8. Finances are in the black, and we have paid all fees and expenses that will be due in advance, including those for the agreement.
9. Annual licence with Andy Bragg has been amended to allow CCs to serve one month's notice instead of present three months - a change in our favour, to allow us vacant possession within tenancy regulations. It will now run from 1 July to 1 July.

Photo attached.

Peter Cloke and Nick Bradley  
9 July 2020