# Greening Glemsford PC Climate Group Report 12th January 2021

## **Update on St Mary's Churchyard wildflower trial:**

The area has been staked & roped and the signs are up!

Thanks to Andrew Powell, PCC Eco Church Champion, for donating the wooden stakes and to Carol Suttle for donating the rope. Thanks also to Jackie & Pete Coote for organising the design and manufacture of two signs, one for the trial area and one for the Hedgehog Habitat.

Also thanks go to Glemsford Parish Council and the Parochial Church Council for agreeing to help pay for the signs. And finally, thank you Tim Tunbridge for mounting the signs on marine ply and being generally supportive!

It's a bit early to seed, but we plan to prepare the ground sometime during January then plant some spring flowers eg primroses and cowslips.

- It will be important to liaise with the grass cutting contractors we wondered when the new contractor will be selected?
- Also, it's important that the 'bonfire' area is left undisturbed over winter as it's now a Hedgehog habitat!

#### Planting trees at the village allotments

The Glemsford United Charities have agreed in principle to allow a copse of saplings to be planted near the entrance to the allotments pending written confirmation of the number and type of trees, the plan for preparation of the area and long term maintenance of the trees.

### **Show the Love February 2021**

The annual Climate Coalition event will take place in the village from 12th - 15th February despite lockdown restrictions. Members of Glemsford WI plan to knit green hearts which, with PC permission, will be hung from the railings in front of the village hall along with some personal planet pledges. An appeal to villagers to 'decorate your front window' with a display of green hearts will be posted on Glemsford Matters. It is hoped the local children will once again be involved by making green hearts and planet pledges, either at home for their window display, or in school to decorate the railings in front of the school building.

#### Questions from a member of Greening Glemsford Facebook group:

Has the Parish Council got a plan to plant trees? Is there somewhere in the village to develop more woodland? Is there a 'green plan' for the village?

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