

Hedge Project – update April 2018

The initial work on the 300m hedge along the Wayfarers Walk was done in 2015 – coppicing and replanting short lengths in conjunction with the Tree Council. This was so well received by the public that it was decided to continue the work.

In order to do this we had to reach agreement with the owner of the hedge. As a condition of this agreement a fence had to be erected along the Wayfarers' Walk.

The fencing will also protect future plantings. An agricultural type stock fence was chosen, and erected close to the hedge so that it will grow into the hedge and not be noticeable in the longer term.

The fencing work was done in conjunction with TCV (The Conservation Volunteers), to whom we are grateful. The fence wire was supplied by the landowner, the fence posts were cut by The Friends of Hollybank Woods, and ancillary items supplied by TCV.

Sections were replanted in 2016 and 2017, and the final 60m was coppiced and replanted in January 2018. The aim is to lay the hedge after 7-8 years growth.

The final hedge will be a hawthorn/fruit hedge which will form a rich environmental habitat to complement other schemes in the woods.

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