

### Results of Green Spaces Survey – Updated 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2020

Question	Yes	No			
Would you like to see unmanaged green spaces in the village?	13	20			
If some wildflower space is introduced which option would you prefer?	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Other	None of the above
	9	10	5	6	5
Would you be prepared to participate and volunteer in the management of wildflower areas?	Yes	No	Maybe		
	7	18	1		
<b>Comments</b>					
The village needs tidying up, not to look scruffier. There is already plenty of rough land at the back of Holden Road for wildlife.					
Leave as a village green and useable space. See also separate letter.					
Keep the village green as a community space for village gatherings and for residents and their families to enjoy. See also separate letter.					
We border a nature reserve! How much more 'nature' do we need and at what cost?					
We would prefer to see the green spaces in Kent Road and Holden Road left as they are and cut regularly throughout the year/growing season to encourage socialisation amongst residents and play amongst children.					
Summary of a separate letter - I do not want to see the verge and land set with wildflowers. We like our garden to be neat and tidy. We encourage wildlife in our garden, and it would be better for people to promote wildlife areas in their own gardens.					

Use the horse paddock.					
Summary of a separate letter - wildflower areas need to be managed properly not just for the first year, but every year. At the end of the season the area needs to be cut back, left to die and decompose to add nitrates to the soil. If the area is not managed for wildlife growth, very few wildflowers will grow. Option 1 may work in a limited way, but the area would only receive sun in the early morning. Option 2 would need a large, committed band of volunteers. It would look unkempt for most of the year. Option 3 is impractical as there is a footpath that runs all the way through it. Letting the edges grow wild would look shabby and not leave adequate space for recreation.					
I would prefer the areas to be cut x 3					
We back onto a nature reserve so no need! If left uncut it would soon become untidy and not really appropriate in a residential area. Might think differently if we lived in an urban area, but this is countryside with wild areas all around.					
Leaving the grass uncut will not result in creating wildflower meadows. There is good information on the RHS website on how to create a wildflower meadow. It might be an idea to forward this to All@Lackford so folks can see what is actually involved.					
Create an area of the village green near the sign end of The Green. I know this has been sold to a resident, but they could be asked to contribute to village community efforts.					
I would prefer as many options for wildflower habitat as possible. We are at crisis point environmentally speaking and we need as much rewilding as possible. I have lived in Lackford 4 years and never seen anyone playing on the grassed areas to date.					

Other - as for option two but Kent Road only. We are happy to help but not organise as we manage our own wildlife area. Our wildlife area has been pledged to 'stay wild' with the organisation Wild East - <a href="http://www.wildeast.co.uk">www.wildeast.co.uk</a>					
I would love to help but am too old.					
Option 2 and 3 but Kent Road only as it is not up to me to comment on Holden Road.					
If I could suggest another area which could be managed for wildlife it would be the churchyard or some parts of it.					
We used to have wild, uncut space in the churchyard. This is now a manicured, cut area too. Happy to compromise and have any available space left uncut if possible. There are very few uncut wildflower spaces in the village itself or verges.					
The only option would be at the end of the loop opposite the village sign where there is a big 'hole' in the grassed area.					
My garden is pretty wild because I don't enjoy gardening. I have a variety of birds from woodpeckers, jays to robins and wrens and a variety of butterflies, bees, wasps and ladybirds and some little creatures that I would rather not have! So I think I play my part in encouraging wildlife.					
We do not know the number of children need recreation space, nor the best location for this, but understand that there may need to be a balance.					