

Environment Report

Planting, - by the Goodwood Estate, commented on by local residents,- of hedge plants and trees, bordering a length of the public footpath which runs from Fordwater Road Chichester in the south, to Fordwater Road just outside West Lavant.

The footpath has been enclosed by an animal proof fence.

It has been suggested that this is part of the proposed Wildlife corridor joining Downs to Harbour on the west side of Chichester.

Four Planning applications, reported previously, to carry out tree works in Hunters Way on 12 trees, approved without objection, - one application to fell a sycamore tree was withdrawn.

CC/61/00168/TPO application to crown raise by 6m two WSCC Highway trees on The Drive - on the grounds of shade, by a Graffham Close resident. I have personally lodged an objection.

Concerned that the application to construct a 40 car, carpark albeit temporary on a portion of land to the north of Haverstoke Park, Graylingwell has immediate ramifications for the environment and for its future use and development.

I think the developments at the Rugby Club over the years, is a good example of what can happen.

Oaklands Park a public open space managed by the CDC, allowed Chichester Rugby Club to have pitches but also to develop a sports pavilion.

Over a number of years the club developed its facilities, changing rooms, showers, club bar and kitchen.

Today, it is a commercial concern, for many ventures gym, cafe, crèche and an embryonic Nightclub All in a conservation area, where residents are refused planning permission for dormers and other improvements to their homes.

Something doesn't seem right. Have we missed something.

Continuing deterioration in road surfaces throughout Summersdale. (missing R.Hobbs)

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