

Date: 6th April 2017

Title: Report Item 5 – Mowing contract

By: K Larkin (Parish Clerk)

Purpose: To provide an update on the mowing contract for 2017

Recommendation: a) To note amended verge cutting maps for the parish mowing contract 2017, as agreed with ESCC (quoted prices remain unchanged)
b) To approve and sign the 2017 contract Agreement

1. Over last winter the parish council requested ESCC to review the verge cutting maps for 2017 to remove certain anomalies. The changes requested have largely been agreed by ESCC and new cutting maps have been appended to the 2017 mowing contract. The parish's contractor will maintain the whole of the Twitten (Footpath 25) from within the path. ESCC has issued advice to all parishes that no local contractor should do any work within 1m of the edge of the carriageway in the rural zone (i.e. outside the 30/40mph limit). It is said to be too dangerous. There are some exceptions, e.g. Went Way, which is technically outside the 30 mph zone but is obviously not a fast road.
2. ESCC has been advised that the verge adjacent to the Fridays development site, which is now part of the parish council's contract, is occasionally mown by the Gilbert Estate's contractor, and when development is in progress on this site, it may not be practical for the parish council to maintain this section of verge.
3. ESCC will pay the parish £1,499.54 towards verge cutting in 2017
4. The mowing Agreement for 2017 is appended to this report, and needs to be formally approved and signed.

AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is made the 30th day of March 2017 BETWEEN EAST DEAN AND FRISTON PARISH COUNCIL, c/o the Clerk to the Council, The Old Cottage, Lewes Road, Laughton, East Sussex, BN8 6BQ (hereinafter called the 'Employer') of the one part and Grants (Eastbourne) Ltd, 1 The Outlook, Friston, East Sussex, BN20 0AR (hereinafter called the 'Contractor') of the other part.

WHEREAS the Employer is desirous that certain works be carried out in connection with Mowing, Strimming, Footpath Maintenance and Verge Cutting and has accepted a QUOTATION from the Contractor for carrying out such works

NOW THIS AGREEMENT WITNESSES as follows:

1. The following documents shall be deemed to form part of this AGREEMENT:
 - a) The said Quotation dated 24 March 2017
 - b) The Specification of Works dated 23 March 2017
2. In consideration of the payments to be made by the Employer to the Contractor as hereinafter mentioned, the Contractor hereby covenants with the Employer to complete the works as shown on the specification at the times stated in the said specification
3. In consideration of the carrying out of the works, the Employer hereby covenants to pay the Contractor in the manner and at the times stated in the said Form of Quotation

IN WITNESS whereof the parties have hereunto set their signatures:

SIGNED.....Grants (Eastbourne) Ltd

DATE.....

SIGNED.....Clerk to the Parish Council

DATE.....