

Carlton Gardening Group

Forward work programme 2024

Spring

- Orchard Monitor weeds in paths and Nailstone Rd holly hedge and spray when necessary. Spray round fruit trees.
Check whether shrubs along board fences need wire or tying up.
Remove rotting timber posts (and concrete if possible) from Nailstone Road entrance, replace with galvanised drinking trough and plant up trough.
- Churchyard Monitor all 4 new trees and water when necessary.
Monitor bramble regrowth in cleared areas and spot treat as necessary.
Plant *Geranium* and *Polygonatum* along fence adj 34 Main St.
- Cemetery Remove all fencing prior to installation of new fence by contractor.
- Little Lane Control bramble growth in bare area near seat.
Cut back holly bushes to keep path clear; check overhanging branches.
Help remove silver birch trees and cut back bird cherry near to workshop building.

Summer

- Orchard Monitor two new oak trees and water as necessary.
Cut/remove weeds from woodland areas.
Prune plum and damson trees (June).
Clear hay from meadow.
Treat park bench seat timbers with tung oil and picnic table with preservative.
- Churchyard Monitor all 4 new trees and water when necessary.
- Roadsides Monitor new oak tree at Harry's Grave and water as necessary.
- Other Monitor new elm tree at Manor House Farm and water as necessary.

Autumn

- Orchard Cut Barton Rd hedge; autumn weeding clear-up.
Consider entering fruit in Horticultural Show.
Prune apple, pear and non-fruit trees.
Plant field maple in gap in Barton Road hedge
Sow yellow rattle seeds in wildflower areas.
- Churchyard Remove/treat any new ivy growth on weeping silver birch.
- Roadsides Trim hedges around roadside trees to avoid beheading by mechanical hedgecutters.

Winter

Rest and recuperate.