

4 Fort Road
Mountsorrel
9 August 2020

Dear Councillor Blackshaw

I understand that the Mountsorrel Townswomens Guild asked if they could plant a tree in the Peace Garden to celebrate 75 years of the TWG. It was suggested that the Peace garden had enough trees in at present and that the guild might like to donate a bench or plant a tree in some other part of the village. To purchase and site a seat would be too expensive for a small group as they are (The only surviving TWG in Leicestershire) and the alternatives for tree planting would be the Memorial Playing Fields, The Green or the Halstead Road playing fields all of which a sapling may be subject to vandalism.

The Chairwoman Gail Henson asked me my opinion knowing that I am a trustee of The Mountsorrel Museum and Heritage Trust and we as a group maintain the Peace Garden throughout the year (apart from the contractual mowing)

I have along with the working party that maintain the garden looked at the tree situation. There are 3 maybe 4 trees that are quite old (planted when the garden was first established approx 1970) the remainder have some considerable years in them

There are also 3 saplings. Would it not be prudent to continue planting a sapling every couple of years to ensure the garden has always got a quantity of mature trees. One of the older trees has already been removed due to a disease

I have attached a plan of the Peace Garden with the suggested position. The tree that they have suggested would be a Hybridus Pendulus (Cotonaster) See attached

If approval were to be given it would be at no cost to the Parish Council

Yours Sincerely

Pat Neal

(Copy to Gail Henson Chairwoman Mountsorrel Townswomens Guild)

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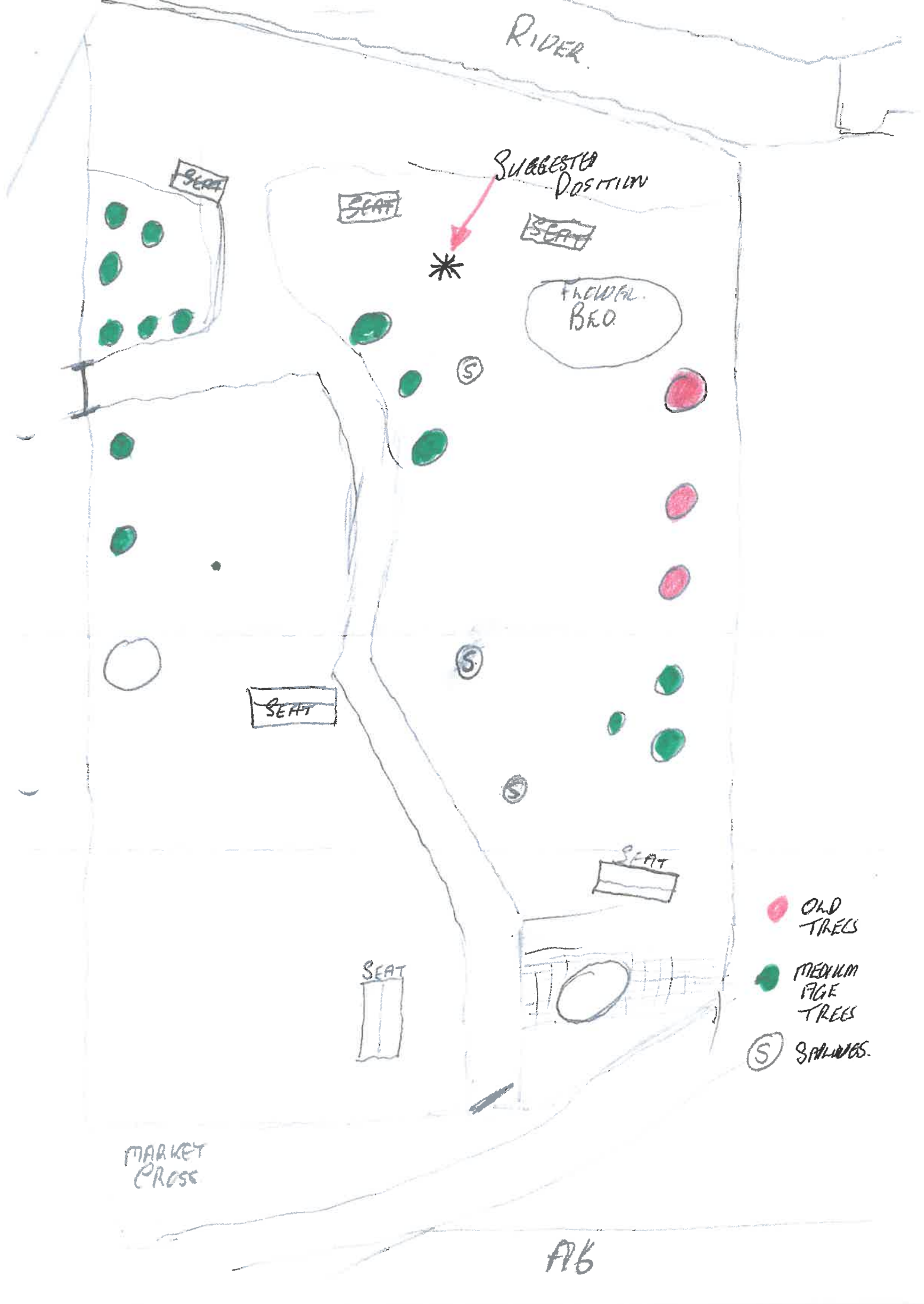
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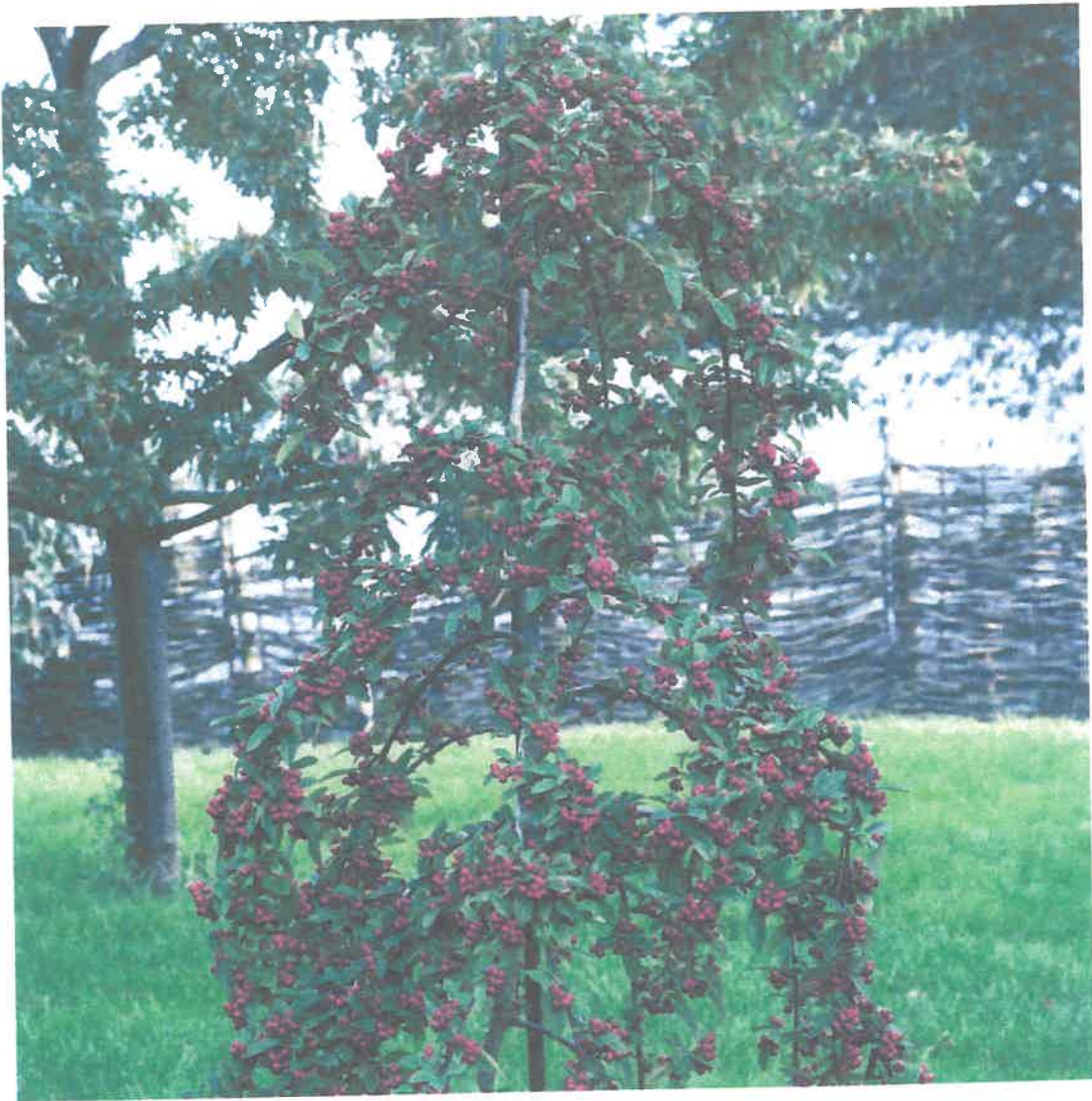
MEDIUM AGE TREES

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COTONEASTER “(Hybridus Pendulus)”

A small evergreen garden tree, Cotoneaster '**Hybridus Pendulous**' has long weeping branches that arch down to create a dome effect.

The polished, dark green leaves are small and make a good foil for the white flowers that flourish in June-July and are popular amongst the bee population summer followed by spherical, bright red fruit.

Will be small tree with weeping branches if grown as a standard.

24 FEB 2020



MOUNTSORREL TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILD

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22nd February 2020

The Clerk to the Parish Council
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For the attention of the Parish Councillors

Dear Councillors,

In September of this year the ladies of the Mountsorrel Townswomen's Guild will be celebrating its 75th Anniversary. To commemorate this important year we would ask your permission to allow us to plant a tree in the Peace Garden with a small plaque along side, noting dates etc., sometime near the end of September – a date to be agreed.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours faithfully

Gail Henson