

## Hinderclay Parish Council Tree Report 2021.

Probably due to Covid, I have had very little in the way of correspondence from local parishioners concerning our village trees. Anything that has been reported has been dealt with speedily and with no problems.

New trees and hedging, including two evergreen oaks, has been planted by village farmers along side footpaths and roadsides, so should bring shelter and food for animals and birds, protect the land and crops, and adds to the beauty of the village.

Enquiries have been made during the past year, to see if free trees and hedging would be available to plant on private land, but to be enjoyed by all villages, as was done in the past, but sadly, none were available.

It is hoped that some tree planting may take place later this year, at the four main entrances to the village. i.e. Wattisfield Road, Rickinghall Road, and the roads leading to Redgrave and Thelnetham, to mark the end of Covid 19 lock downs. 2020 and the start of 2021 has been a very difficult time for many people, and although we didn't escape ill health and problems entirely, we should be grateful that we lived in a wonderful supportive community with some freedom to walk, cycle, ride and enjoy our beautiful countryside.

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