Terms of Reference for the Environment Advisory Group

- The group membership will include both parish councillors and residents
- Any proposals or recommendations will be presented to the full Parish Council for discussion or approval before implementation.
- The group will consider and make environmental proposals or recommendations to the Parish Council on the following areas or issues:
 - The Greens
 - Both allotment sites
 - o Julia's Garden
 - o Millennium Garden
 - The Cemetery
 - Grass cutting
 - Wild flower areas
 - Tree planting and management
 - o Hedgerow planting and management
- With the agreement of the Parish Council, this list is subject to change as new issues emerge and other areas are completed.
- The group will also liaise with the following organisations so that the Parish Council is informed about the future plans of the important environmental groups working within the Parish (or just outside it) for the benefit of its residents.
 - o Dunnington in Bloom
 - o Dunnington Conservation Group and Hassacarr Nature Reserve
 - Friends of Hagg Wood
 - Greening Initiatives Group

Notes:

- The group has no executive functions.
- The group is not responsible for the day-to-day management of the Parish Council's assets.
- The group will have no budget but will be able to propose expenditure in the above areas to the Finance and Strategy Group or full council.
- Frequency of meetings will be 3 monthly, post-Covid, and will be in a local venue
- Membership will include up to 4 parish councillors and up to 4 residents
- The group will be chaired by a parish councillor

• Issues may include -

- Tree and hedge planting
- Wild flower beds
- Littering and dog fouling
- Pollinator Strategy
- o Environmental Audit of Parish Council practices subject to further research

• Areas to Protect and Enhance our local environment include -

- o Promote biodiversity and boost pollinator planting
- o Look at PC land to consider other conservation initiatives
- Look at Allotment sites for potential wild flowers patches
- Consider links with Primary School and Scouts and Guides around climate change/ potential projects
- Highlight the loss of front gardens on diversity and flooding information page on website
- Highlight areas for Policy development, similar to Tree and Hedgerow Management Policy

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