

Deer fencing Clammer Hill allotment

Background

1. The allotment is bisected by a public footpath and comprises two fenced off areas and a grazing field.
2. The Council was advised that deer were getting onto the allotment through various hedges abutting Clammer Hill Road.
3. The Council's allotment management information states that the Town Council has responsibility to ensure that each site is protected around its boundaries by deer fencing. No such deer fencing exists at Clammer Hill allotments.
4. At the Amenities meeting in October, committee members agreed that quotes should be obtained to deer fence around the allotments (as shown in red on the map) and make a recommendation to council that the project is put into the budget for 2022/2023.



Company		
J Homewood	Supply and erect, leaving existing stock and rabbit wire in place, approximately 240 metres of 2 metre high deer wire, set on 2.7m long 75-100mm softwood treated posts, driven at 3 metre centres, with 125-150mm straining posts at corners and ends (approximately 10 No). Plus 3 No 1m wide x 1.9m high palisade gates, hung on 100 x 100mm softwood treated posts, set in concrete. Clear vegetation to install	£6,280

Straight Line Fencing	<p>To supply and erect 24m of 6ft high deer wire hung on 9ft long 3 to 4" top round chestnut stakes every 3m and 10ft long 5 to 6" top round peeled chestnut strainers at each end and change of direction.</p> <p>To supply and install 278m of 6ft high deer wire alongside the existing fencing hung on 9ft long 3 to 4" top round chestnut stakes every 3m and 10ft long 5 to 6" top round peeled chestnut strainers at each end and change of direction.</p> <p>To supply and install 3no 6ft high x 4ft wide picket gates hung on 10ft long 5" x 5" sawn chestnut gates posts, set in concrete.</p>	£7,144
J Owen and Sons Ltd	Materials and installation but does not cover clearance of vegetation.	£5,900

Recommendation: That £7,000 is added to the 2022-2023 budget and JE Homewood is instructed to install the deer fencing in the new financial year.