## **Drinkstone Parish Council**

## **Tree Warden's Report**

## Report to the Ordinary Meeting Dated 6thh February 2023

Agenda Item; Councillor Portfolios

## **Update on this Winter's Tree Planting**

The freezing weather has delayed planting but hopefully we have seen the back of it now. I have supplied 22 oak and hornbeam saplings to Robert Baker to replace the ones that failed last summer at Hall Farm and Burts Farm, and around 180 native hedging plants to Jock and Sue Maclaren for planting on the western boundary of their field off Rattlesden Road. Trevor Woollams and I have helped Duncan Hannant plant 30 metres of mixed native hedging opposite Stotts Cottages and another 8 trees in Julia's wood. Councillor Richard Edmondson has organised gapping up a hedge on the Gedding road allotments, again using plants and materials supplied by The Woodland Trust via the Suffolk Tree Wardens' Newtork.

Steve Beveridge has kindly helped me to trim and lightly prune the line of Lime Trees alongside footpath 4 between Rattlesden road and Gedding road.

I have a willing band of volunteers ready to do hedge trimming and tree work in All Saints' Churchyard on 9<sup>th</sup> February and I will arrange another work party to do some tidying up, tree and hedge planting on the Parish Council land in Rattlesden road at the corner of Garden House Lane once arrangements for fencing have been agreed with the new tenant.

Councillor Peter Holborn
Drinkstone Parish Tree Warden