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Dear Chris,

SELSIDE VILLAGE GREEN - PROPOSED ENHANCEMENTS

Thank you very much for your recent letters and the preliminary drawings. We are very grateful for all the work carried out and the help given to us.

Please find enclosed the design drawing SVG/01 which contains some amendments:

1. The village green is in fact larger than shown on the drawing. We took some rough measurements which suggest a different outline. However, the amended outline may be a little bit too generous as it shows the road narrowing towards the northern side of the green. As the outline of the green can clearly be followed on the ground there should be no problems in practice.
2. Please amend the text near the hardcore area as follows: "EXCAVATE AND REMOVE TOP LAYER OF HARDCORE, REINSTATE TOPSOIL AND RE-SEED OR RE-TURF". Residents feel that the site may not be suitable for bonfires as it is very near the trees. There are also several tons of hardcore in that place. We have successfully removed just a top layer of hardcore in other places and simply put some sods from nearby fields on top. The grass took very well and looks totally "indigenous" in those places. Giving us the option to proceed in various ways may help us to find the best method for a grass cover.
3. The coal bunker and all other clutter on the green have already been removed.
4. Residents would prefer a change to the stone seating. They would like to use the best stones from the demolished walls on the green and build a somewhat semi-circular wall with a flat top (see rough sketch on drawing). The outline of that wall should follow more or less the outline of the green in that area. The space behind that wall should be filled in and provide a kind of level platform in the direction of the current wall around the green. This new low wall could then be used as seating.

We are very keen to make the deadline of July 1st but hope that it will not put too much pressure on you. At yesterday's meeting of the Residents Association we also decided to put the Association on a constitutional footing so that we can be the applicant for grants for the enhancement works. We shall be drawing up a constitution before the end of the month by which time we shall have four officers (chair, deputy chair, secretary and treasurer) plus a bank or building society account.

Looking forward to hearing from you soon.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'W. Fenten', with a small dash at the end.

Wilf Fenten

Encl. Design Drawing SVG/01