**Parish Council News**

**Land Exchange/Village Green**

The land exchange between Dalton Estates and Lockington Parish Council is now complete, and therefore, the Parishioners of Lockington are the proud owners of the paddock adjacent to Manor Farm. This process has taken a lot longer than anticipated, but we have achieved the desired result: to acquire a green space, owned by the villagers, in the centre of the Village.

As previously agreed by the Parish and the ERYC, the plan is now to create access onto the Green from Thorpe (as dictated by ERYC Planners).

Back in 2020, we consulted the Village on the desired nature and function of the Green, the top five preferences were:

1. Grassed area with wildflowers.
2. Shrubs
3. Trees
4. Seating/Benches
5. Area for National/Village Celebrations/ Fête.

The Parish Council agreed, once the entrance onto the Green was complete, to undertake a further consultation, to ensure that the top five preferences were still relevant. How this is best achieved and funded will be discussed in future meetings.

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