

# Culmers Amenity Land Planting proposal



The Town Council would like to propose a planting project on Culmers Amenity land to take place over the course of a few years.

This would include:

- Seeding a wild flower patch
- Planting fruit trees
- Planting native bulbs in the small woodland/grass area

This would grow the biodiversity in the Culmers area that is currently provided by the allotments but cannot be seen or experienced by visitors. The aim for the project is to create a beautiful slice of native flowering for 3/4 of the year, making the amenity land a stunning place to walk through and enjoyed by everyone.

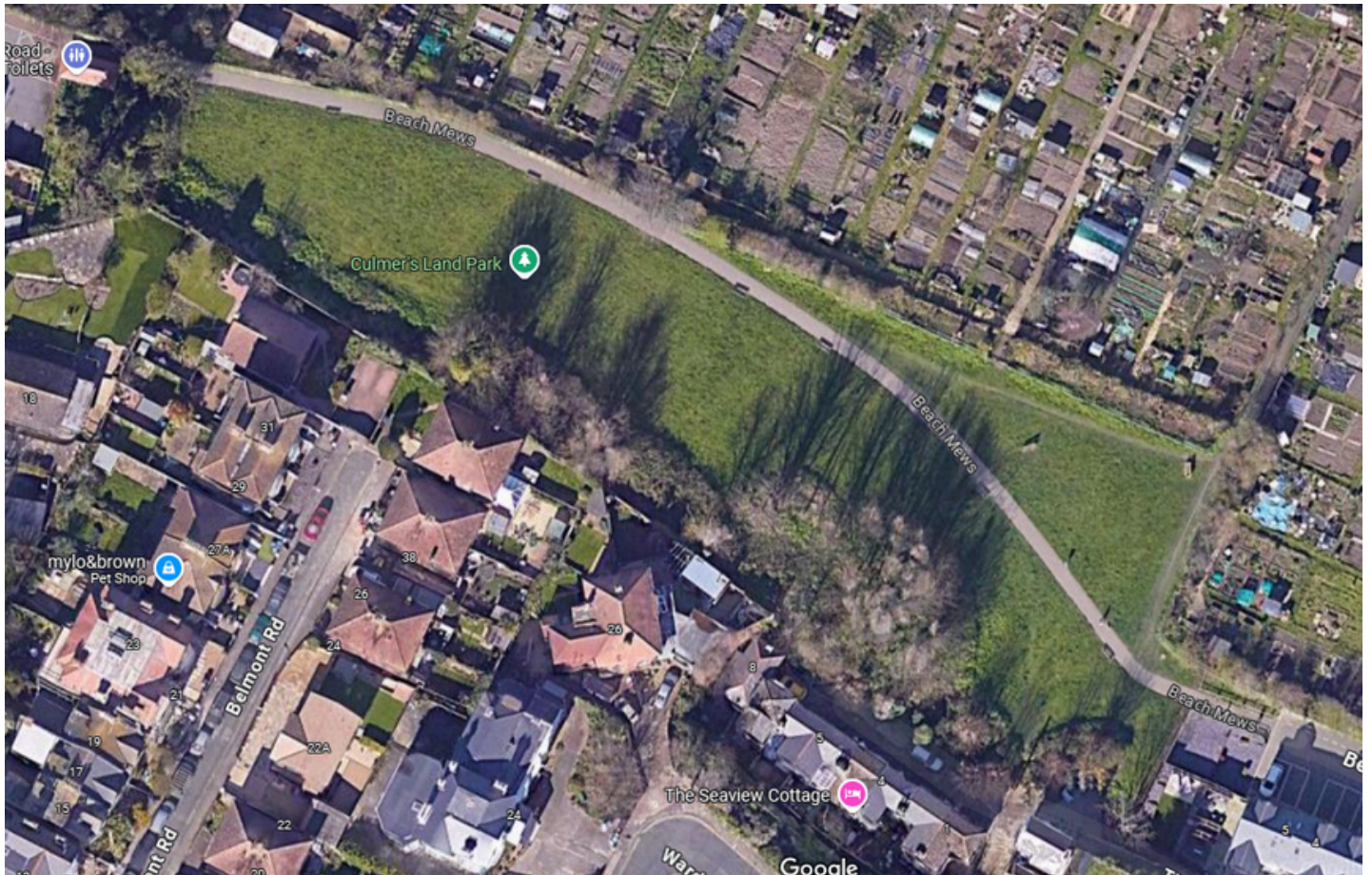
We would like this to be a project that members of the community can volunteer to help with. Once the initial creation of the wild flower patch is created by the Town Council gardeners and contractors. The Town Council would also organise a community bulb planting day to encourage the local community to help water the area and have a sense of inclusion in a town wilding scheme.

(We could also create small goody bags of bulbs and wild flower seeds for those who take part to encourage planting in their own gardens)

Any press and social media posts advertising this project would also mention that this project is in collaboration with CT10 Charities.

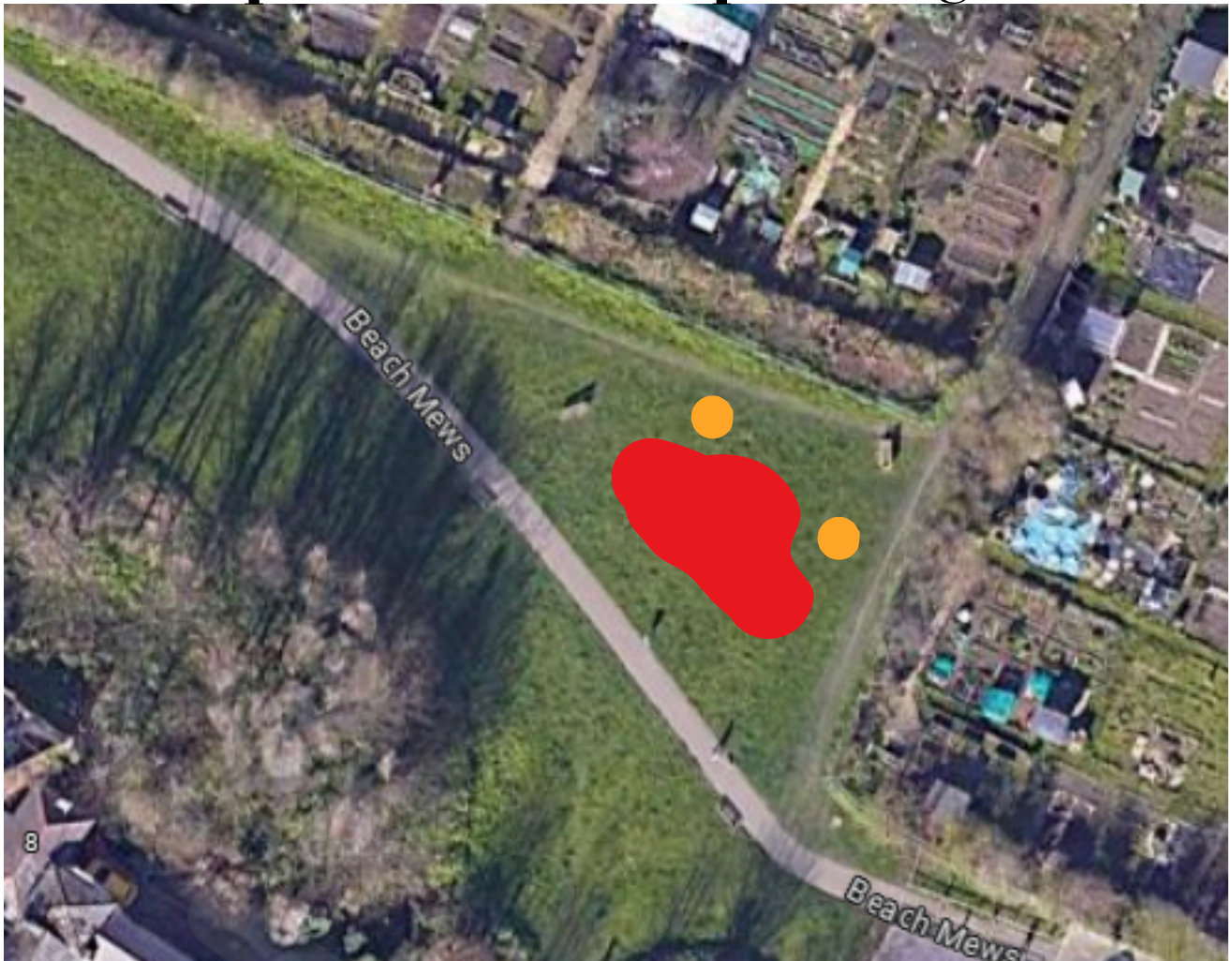
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## Maps of land





# Culmers Amenity Land Proposed area for planting



**Wild flower meadow**



**Possible fruit/nut tree planting**



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The Town Council would like to propose the usage of a coastal wild flower mix that is native for this area. This is the same mix The Town Council used at Osbourne Road which was a very successful project and wildly popular with members of the public. This seed mix has bursts of different flowers throughout the seasons. This created new colour pallets each month and new pollinator friendly flowers all through the summer months until early autumn. It would also be nice to add some taller native pollinator plants such as foxglove to create a wow factor.

<b>Anthemis arvensis</b>
<b>Chamomile, Corn</b>
<b>Corn Cockle</b>
<b>Cornflower</b>
<b>Marigold, Corn</b>
<b>Poppy, Common</b>
<b>Bent, Common</b>
<b>Crested Dogstail</b>
<b>Fescue, Sheeps</b>
<b>Fescue, Slender</b>
<b>Creeping Red</b>
<b>Meadow Grass, Smooth</b>
<b>Stalked</b>
<b>Timothy, Small Leaved</b>

<https://www.wildflower.co.uk/products/wildflower-seed-mixtures/cornfield-annuals/lw9-signature-cornfield-annuals-80-20.html>





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## Prunus avium- Wild Cherry



### Size

↑ Ultimate height  
Higher than 12 metres

🕒 Time to ultimate height  
20–50 years

↔ Ultimate spread  
Wider than 8 metres

### Growing conditions



Chalk



Clay



Loam



Sand

### Moisture

Moist but well-drained, Well-drained

### pH

Acid, Alkaline, Neutral

### Colour & scent

	Stem	Flower	Foliage	Fruit
Spring		🌸	🍃	
Summer			🍃	
Autumn			🍂	🍒
Winter				

### Position

☀ Full sun

### Aspect

North-facing or West-facing or East-facing or South-facing

### Exposure

Exposed or Sheltered

### Hardiness

H6

### Source:

<https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/trees-woods-and-wildlife/british-trees/a-z-of-british-trees/wild-cherry/>

Two wild cherry trees would be suited for this area due to their growing conditions and the soil that is present there currently. The cherry trees would add further biodiversity to the Culmers area creating food for the birds and pollinators. Wild cherry trees are also native to the UK.

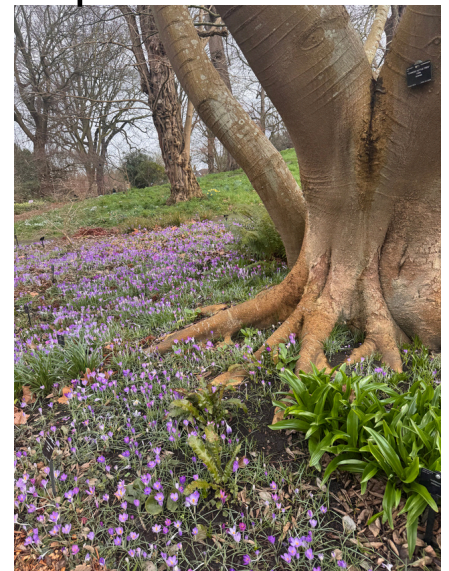




## Crocus Bulbs

The leaf-fall from the small woodland is a recommended natural mulch. This would add some colour and early pollinator food during the colder months.

Crocus bulbs at Kew gardens for inspiration





Around these bulbs we can also gradually incorporate wild native bluebells and wild garlic to make this copse of trees feel like a traditional woodland in the spring/ early summer months. Wild garlic is also edible and popular with foragers not just pollinators!



As mentioned previously, the aim for the project is to create a beautiful slice of native flowering for 3/4 of the year, making the amenity land a stunning place to walk through and enjoyed by everyone.

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