

## **Detling Parish Council**

### **Volunteer Policy supplementary Guidance – August 2020**

The Parish Council's insurance allows for basic garden machinery/equipment to be used whilst undertaking volunteer work for Detling Parish Council.

This equipment includes the following:

Petrol/ cordless garden lawnmower  
Petrol/ cordless garden strimmer  
Petrol/ cordless garden hedge trimmer  
Manual shears and cutters  
Garden rakes/shovels/forks  
Litter picks

In order to adhere with health and safety regulations, all garden equipment used, as identified above, must be maintained/ inspected on a regular basis.

Any equipment belonging to the Parish Council will be maintained by them.

Volunteers using their own tools do so at their own risk, and must obtain the prior permission of the Parish Council.

Volunteers are prohibited from using any industrial garden machinery and ladders to carry out volunteer maintenance on Parish Council land and property. This includes pole cutters, digging machinery, industrial strimmer's, chain saws and cutters and industrial lawnmowers.

Volunteers are not authorised to make any structural or changes to the existing landscape of Parish Council land without the prior authority of the PC.

All volunteers must complete the Parish Councils Volunteer Policy and Risk Assessment. This must be returned to the Parish Clerk prior to any volunteer work being undertaken on Parish Council land and property.

No weed killers or chemicals must be used without the prior permission of the Parish Council. Any chemicals used must meet the required standards and regulations.

The Parish Council will cover the cost of any fuel used to run basic petrol garden machinery, however, no authority is given for any other expense without the prior authority of the Parish Council.

Volunteers working on Parish Council land and property are covered by the Parish Council's Public Liability Insurance whilst following the guidelines above and the requirements as outlined in the Parish Council Volunteer Policy.

This document is supplementary to the Parish Council's Volunteer Policy and must be read in conjunction with this.