

# WARD MEMBER DECISION NUMBER

## WB/20-21/077

Decision taken by: Ward Member for Hythe Rural-Councillor Douglas Wade

Subject: Hythe Green Preservation Society

Executive/non-executive decision: Non-executive

**Date decision taken:** 19 December 2021

### Name and address of applicant(s):

Richard Bateman 5 St Nicholas Road Hythe CT21 6JQ

#### Name and description of project:

Hythe Green Woodland Walk - Specialist support and materials fully to develop a woodland pathway for recreational purposes; specifically native tree saplings, hazel shrubs, woodland flowers, coppicing and project oversight.

#### **DECISION:**

To provide funding of £900 to the above project.

#### Reason for decision:

Hythe Green is a well-used and valued space. It serves as a regular meeting and recreational place for residents and visitors and has an extremely broad appeal across all ages with very young children and families using the enclosed play area, teenagers making use of the wider Green and dog-walkers, runners and shoppers all regularly to be seen. It serves as a key contributor in Hythe to the health, both physical and mental, of local people.

Voluntary group activities in maintaining the Green attract strong support – a recent appeal to help cut ivy and plant native hedging whips brought out a number of local people. The Hythe Green Preservation Society has over 200 members on its **facebook** page and the Society is extremely active in maintaining and enhancing the Green, enjoying strong and popular local support.

The proposed woodland walk has already attracted approval across a broad range of ages with a growing number of people starting to make use of the newly opened areas.

Declarations or disclosable pecuniary interest/any other significant interest:

None

The decision set out above was made by me.

Douglas Wade

Signed:

19 December 2021

Councillor Douglas Wade Ward – Hythe Rural