

GREAT LONGSTONE PARISH COUNCIL

MOWING AND MAINTENANCE TENDER SPECIFICATION

VARIOUS SITES WITHIN GREAT LONGSTONE

Entries in Green have been added for the first time.

Entries in Red have been removed.

Great Longstone Parish Council invite tenders for a 3-year contract beginning 1st March 2025 for the mowing and general maintenance of various sites within Great Longstone, Derbyshire. Tenders must detail annual proposed costs for each year. Payment arrangements will be agreed with the successful applicant. Each applicant shall also submit a fixed hourly rate. The Council has in previous years requested additional specification work from the successful contractor. It is likely that such requests will be made during the term of this contract. All such work will be allocated by reference to the agreed hourly rate.

The successful applicant will be responsible for the mowing and maintenance and the **disposal away from the site and village of all the waste resulting from this activity.**

The tender specification forms an integral part of the contract. The Parish Council reserve the right by the service of written notice to terminate any agreement entered into with the successful applicant with immediate effect.

Quality and cost considerations will be taken into account before awarding any contract. Any applicant may be required to provide references/details of referees in respect of commercial work undertaken prior to the award of a contract.

Professional, Public and Employer liability insurance details of any applicant and the successful contractor may be requested by the Council at any time before the granting of the contract and or/at any time during the term of contract. Any person or company submitting a tender hereby agrees to provide details of insurance including the current certificate of insurance held.

Specification

1. Village Greens (which consist of Market Cross Green, War Memorial Green, Long Green (Letterbox Green), Harrow House Green, Sunny Bank Green and Spring Bank Green (including rough area around grit bin) and West Green.
 - a. During the period 1st March to 31 October in each year of the contract at reasonable and regular intervals:
 - i. All of the Greens to be mowed a minimum of 25 up to a maximum of 30 times, taking into account local weather conditions.
 - ii. All to be strimmed on at least 7 occasions. (Question – what is to be strimmed?)

- iii. All to be edged, on 3 occasions.
 - b. On Market Cross Green:
 - i. Fallen branches to be removed.
 - ii. Benches (opposite bus shelter) to be cleared of debris from beneath at reasonable and regular intervals, on 3 occasions, during each year.
 - iii. Epicormic Growth on lime tree to be cut back annually.
 - iv. Lower hanging branches (below 1.8m to be kept cut back)
2. Footpath clearance:
- a. Hardrake Lane and Footpath 15. To be strimmed twice a year (May and end of August).
 - b. Bells style (Footpaths 11 and 56).
 - i. Clearance of debris/weeds, from Beggarway Lane end down to Main Street., October/November.
 - ii. Strimming from Beggarway Lane down to Main Street, in middle of June.
3. Other tasks
- a. To trim tennis court hedge (on Recreation Ground) to court height level, in February each year.
 - b. To spray moss on play area, tennis court and table tennis area, twice a year.
 - c. To weed kill around play equipment, gym equipment and outer perimeter of tennis court twice a year. Appropriate weedkiller taking into account any risks to persons or animals. Contractor to be responsible for abiding to Health and Safety Laws when using weed killer.
 - d. Edges of the recreation ground and children's play area to be trimmed at regular intervals during the period 1st March to 31 October, on at least 8 occasions.
 - e. Strimming edges of Spring Bank once a year, area from Recreation ground gate and down track to Main Street.
 - f. To clear leaves and mulch from immediately around the telephone kiosk between November and February.

The Council reserves the right to request that the above detailed areas be mowed, edged or strimmed at any time during the detailed period if it considers that there is a specific need to do so, and the successful contractor shall comply with this request, at no further cost provided that the request does not exceed the maximum number of occasions detailed in the specification. The work shall be carried out as soon as possible and in any case within 3 working days.

All applicants must provide written details of similar commercial work undertaken in the last three years. The successful applicant shall keep written records of when and what work is undertaken and shall at the reasonable request of the Parish Council produce records on demand to the Parish Clerk.

Tenders are to be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "tender" to:
 Parish Clerk, c/o Church Croft, Church Lane, Great Longstone, Bakewell, DE45 1TB
 By no later than 5pm on Monday 6th January 2025.

The Parish Council will consider tenders at its meeting on Wednesday 8th January 2025.

Questions about the tender or requests to be shown any parts of the area should be sent to the Clerk at parishcouncil@greatlongstone.net or 07968 295258

Simon Headington, Clerk to Great Longstone Parish Council