

## **Maria Bradman - Ledbury Town Council**

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Dear Maria

I am aware that you have had some conversations with James around the inclusion of grass cutting for 2 open spaces in Ledbury. As you know the decision by Herefordshire Council was very clear that the lengthsman grant could **not** be used for grass cutting on the open spaces and any additional cuts you may wish to do should come direct from your precept.

However after discussing with Cllr Harvey about 2 specific sites – Queens walk and Walled Gardens I feel it would be worth making further representation to see if any consideration could be made for a trial next financial year. From initial conversations with the client officer there was scope for further discussion. If you could provide the following:

- Costs of undertaking additional cuts and when proposed
- Why these particular sites are important to Ledbury
- Why the Town Council are unable to pay for this work outside of the lengthsman grant.
- How much the Town Council will contribute towards this work (eg match funding)
- Expected improvements to Highways as a result of the lengthsman grant.
- Any other benefits. Eg leveraging in additional support from community groups etc.

I cannot promise that this will be accepted but if we can demonstrate overall that by Ledbury utilising the Lengthsman grant (which they haven't previously) and are willing to contribute some precept that this is going to improve the public realm then we might have a fighting chance.

With regards to the cultivation licence for the Walled Gardens. I have discussed this with Fiona Miles and I understand she has given email permission for this activity to go ahead (27<sup>th</sup> March) with the licence to follow as a formality.

Many thanks  
Rachel

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