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Dear Joy,

Land at Court Barton & the Recreation Ground

I can confirm that the Finance & General Purposes Committee of the Foundation have seen Ilminster Cricket Club's proposals for internal changes to the pavilion and the creation of a path and ramp for disabled access. The Committee will be recommending to the Trustees that those plans are approved.

As you may be aware the Foundation also owns the piece of grass with a large red Hawthorn tree in it in the centre of Court Barton. Until now the grass has been cut by one of the home owners in Court Barton as an unpaid labour of love but he is not fit enough to continue. I understand that your Council's men cut it recently when they were dealing with the grass in the churchyard and I am grateful to them for that. It would make sense for them to do so as a matter of course, if your Council is prepared to so instruct them. Court Barton is in the opinion of many the most attractive part of the town and many visitors admire its charm. It is fair to say that the care of that grass benefits the whole town and is, I believe, a service your Council should be ready to give to the town. As I recall the churchyard was designated a town open space many years ago although not owned by the local authority. Is it possible that the space in Court Barton could be similarly designated whilst remaining in my Trustees ownership? Perhaps you will be kind enough to consider the idea.

Yours sincerely,

E.A.WELLS

Clerk