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Proposal for a Utility Vehicle for the use of the Parish Council Handy staff

Bayston Hill PC currently own two vehicles.

A Kubota 3200 tractor whose sole use is to tow the Wessex CRX 240 rotary mower deck that cuts and provides the fine cut to the Stanley Parker playing fields and pitches. We would continue to use this configuration which works well. Although in winter the Kubota is used less frequently and could be deployed without the Wessex deck, it is a large vehicle to manoeuvre up at the Community Woodland/Sensory garden and down in the Parr's Pool area .

The second vehicle is a John Deere 748 tractor with a 62" mowing deck. This vehicle is used for grass cutting duties at:-

- Playing field margins (where the Wessex deck can't reach)
- Community Woodland/Sensory Garden
- Pavilion/Bowling Club grounds
- Longmeadow

It is also used for non- grass cutting duties such as

- Towing water bowser
- Litter Bin emptying
- Transporting personnel, tools and materials to general maintenance jobs around the Parish

This proposal is to purchase a further vehicle, a utility vehicle to carry out the non-grass cutting duties. This would give us the following advantages,

1. The John Deere mowing deck is getting damaged driving up kerbs to access areas such as the Parade and Longmeadow (difficulty to access dropped kerbs). By limiting the JD to only grass cutting duties we could have fewer breakdowns and reduce maintenance costs.
2. The utility vehicle would reduce the time taken to empty bins. It would be quicker to drive to and access all the areas we have bins; the pick-up configuration would take all the bin bags for transport back to the Veolia bin at the Pavilion.
3. A second vehicle of this type would allow more flexible working duties. For example, the JD can be grass cutting, while the bins are being emptied or other work is being carried out elsewhere in the community.

Utility Vehicles

Typical models/configurations as examples with prices new and second hand



Polaris Ranger (Petrol), 2nd hand model above £6000.00 (Ebay)



Kubota (Petrol), this one £12,000 ex demo, £14,000.00 new

General features

- Road legal
- Towing hitch for small trailers, bowser, up to 500kg
- Capacity in rear for up to 250kg

Price: new -£12,000-£14,000 plus VAT

Source: Farm and Garden Machinery Bridgnorth (Polaris); Battlefield Machinery, Shrewsbury (Kubota)

Second hand vehicles are available from £6000.00