

## **AMPNEY CRUCIS PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Grass cutting requirements**

- 1 The areas covered by the contract are:
  - a) The Ampney Crucis Burial Ground
  - b) Grass verges at:
    - i) The Donkey Field (2)
    - ii) Junction of School Lane and Village Street
    - iii) The Pound Tree
    - iv) The War Memorial
    - v) Park Corner
    - vi) The Pleydells - between the beech hedge and Village St.
  
- 2 The contract is from 1 April 2014 until 31 March 2017. This covers 15 cuts per year throughout the growing period for the Burial Ground and all grass verges, except The Pleydells, plus an additional cut of the War Memorial at the beginning of November. Also weeding and tidying the War Memorial garden on alternative visits. In addition, the contract covers strimming; the Burial Ground on the first and subsequently on every other visit (i.e. 8 strims per year), and for all other areas, except The Pleydells, strimming to take place on every visit (i.e. 15 strims per year).

The grass verge at The Pleydells requires merely two strims per year (no mowing).
  
- 3 The contractor will be responsible for either mulching or removing all grass cuttings and leaving all areas, including the entrance of the Burial Ground, tidy at the end of every visit.
  
- 4 The contractor must supply all machinery and must provide evidence to the Council of adequate public liability insurance.
  
- 5 Contractors unknown to the Council are asked to enclose two references preferably related to similar type of work (e.g. public authority mowing)
  
- 6 Payment will be made in eight stages, each year, unless agreed otherwise; at the end of March, April, May, June, July, August, September and October.
  
- 7 Tenders should be sent to The Clerk, Ampney Crucis Parish Council, Grove House, Daglingworth, Cirencester GL7 7AW no later than 6 January, 2013. The envelope should be clearly marked 'Ampney Crucis Grass Cutting'.
  
- 8 The final decision will be clearly communicated to all tenderers by the middle of February, 2014. The Council's policy is not necessarily to accept the lowest tender. The Council's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into on the reasons why any one tender has been rejected.