LYTCHETT MATRAVERS PARISH COUNCIL

POND REINSTATEMENT – ELDONS DROVE – CONTRACTOR QUOTATIONS

BACKGROUND

The principle of reinstating the pond adjoining Eldons Drove was agreed by the PC c2 years ago. The detailed design was agreed late 2024 and consultations with neighbours, the land drainage authority and Highways have all been favourable.

PROPOSED WORKS

The initial works to be undertaken are:-

1).. Temporarily shut off access to Pond Walk for the duration of the works (c2x weeks).
2)..Clear the site,
3)..Excavate the area between the 2x ditches with a battered slope along the NW side below the footpath,
4)..Excavated material to be retained on site adjoining the BMX/Bennys Bumps area. The material will be transported up Eldons Drove, into the dog walk car park, then along the rec side of the dog walk fence and towards Bennys Bumps. The route through the rec is to be guarded with heras type fencing and the ground protected by road mats/plates.
5)..Construct 2x new headwalls to the truncated land drainage inlet pipes
6)..Modify the existing outfall leading to the 225mm highway culvert by adding a 90° elbow + vertical pipe capped with a trash screen.

Subsequent works to form separate contracts/packages of work (not part of this proposal/recommendation) will entail:-

A)..Post, tube + mesh fencing along top of bank to protect footpath users + new post + tube. fencing along the Eldons Drove frontage
B)..Planting around pond margins – hopefully by volunteers.

PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTORS

3 x civils contractors have been approached, 2 of whom are based in the village and have done several previous projects for the PC. The 3rd is a wareham based civils/plant contractor (father Andy) working with Vision Landscapers (son Curtis) . I have met each on site and all agreed a common method of working, ie 1x excavator + operator and 1x c6t road registered dumper. Probabie time on site c5-7 days.

Fletchamoore	**£ 9,529.00 plus vat**
Gould	**£ 8,850.00 plus vat**
Harrisons/Vision.....	**£ 8,510.00 plus vat**

RECOMMENDATION

To accept the quotation from Harrisons/Vision Landscapers in the sum of £8510.00
In addition I recommend that the PC allow a 10% contingency to cover any unforeseen works not included in the description above. The contingency would only be expended following a specific written instruction from the PC project manager.

Ken Morgan 24th Mar 2025