

Chair's Column

Residents may have heard via our website or at Eynsham Carnival that we are planning to take grass-cutting responsibility back in-house rather than using contractors. This will allow us to control the quality and quantity of cutting, and promote biodiversity. To achieve this, we need a cut-and-collect grass mower. We've applied for a Westhive grant towards the cost and set up a crowdfunding page on SpaceHive. We know that money is tight for some, but for those who do have a bit to spare, we'd welcome any donations. (www.spacehive.com/eynsham-biodiversity-boosting-mower)

Another consultation on Botley West Solar Farm plans closed on 28 July. This was a targeted consultation to gain feedback on the boundaries of the project site, which comes close to Eynsham. Hopefully residents were able to share their views. We'll keep you informed when we learn what the next steps are for this project.

Communication is key for EPC; we are always keen to engage with you, our community. To that end, you may now hear from us on the radio! We've teamed up with the community station WRFM and are starting to record some short snippets. Keep an ear out.

Finally, we can confirm that there we have ordered a new noticeboard for Thornbury Green. As with other boards, this will be available for local organisations' use, but not commercial advertising or business cards.