



## **Meopham Parish Council Memorial Tree Policy**

Requests to plant a memorial tree on Parish council land to commemorate a person associated with Meopham or to mark an event will be considered on an individual basis.

The Council will need to be assured that the type and potential size of the tree and any accompanying plaque are suitable for the agreed location. Permission will generally only be given for the planting of a native species and, if required, a modest plaque acceptable to the Parish Council

Applicants are expected to take full responsibility for (i) general maintenance of the tree (ii) protecting the tree from vandalism especially in its early years including any appropriate guard. Should the tree die or become diseased the Council will contact the applicant to discuss the issue but reserves the right to remove the tree if necessary.

Other than an approved plaque no additional planting, memorial flowers or decorations are permitted and any placed at the site will be removed.

*Approved: Administration & Resources Committee – 16/11/21*