Eco-management of St James' Churchyard Phase 1: 2020

Overall Churchyard ambitions

Church gardens- keep formal beds tidy and plant bee friendly flowers. Avoid toxic chemicals- use of salt as a weedkiller.

Maintain the paths.

Shaded area next to the wall opposite Church House

Encourage wildlife:

Insect pile and insect house

Bird feeder

Leaf compost pile

More wild flowers

Area to north of church building

Rope off central part, avoiding tended graves (and keep the 2 war graves tidy)

Notices to explain the project

Manage for wildlife- no mowing until August. Rake after 3 days. Repeat October

Identify and record flowering plants

Plant 'bee bombs' in small patches and see if new wild flowers can be established

Remaining churchyard

Manage as before with mowing and strimming regularly through the growing season

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