## Hemingford Abbots Parish Council Tree Warden's report 1013/4

With Councillor Denis Rait I planted 10 container grown Holly bushes and 20 bare rooted hawthorn to supplement the hedge on the perimeter of the Playing Field

These trees having been supplied by Huntingdon District Council under the Parish Planting Scheme

. The hedge has over time has become sparse and damaged through children and animals using the gaps as a shortcut into the park. I have also removed the some of the protective covers from the previous plantings which had outgrown the covers. I replaced the covers with stakes to prevent damage by contractors whist mowing the grass. The mature Oak tree in Royal Oak Lane opposite Oak House has had some of the lower branches removed to raise the canopy to accommodate high sided vehicles. This has improved the shading to the hedge which will be beneficial..

Ash Die Back:

The previous tree warden mentioned Ash Dieback in his report last year, In my travels throughout the Parish I have not seen any obvious signs of the disease but Ash Trees always one of the last tree to come into leaf.. L Spowart May 2014