



## Work Description and Conditions of Contact for Parish Lengthsman Services

Grimsargh Parish Council are looking appoint a new Lengthsman for the Parish. The term Lengthsman dates back to the 1700s and originally referred to someone who kept a length of road neat, tidy and passable, with particular emphasis on boundary marking. The more modern meaning is for someone to keep grass and weeds down in verges, keep drainage ditches clear, repair fences, plant and tend wild flowers and carry out general maintenance and repairs around the area.

The overall purpose of the role is to: - maintain and enhance the general condition of the parish - maintain and enhance parish assets - identify and address any risks to the public that might arise from parish assets.

The post holder/contractor will be required to use their initiative across the parish to enhance the area. Work is expected to include, but is not limited to:-

- Repairing/staining/painting Parish Council assets such as noticeboards and benches.
- Litterpicking at Nellie Carbis Millennium Woodland, Old Railway Walk, the Village Green and other key areas in the Parish.
- Checking the defibrillators on a weekly basis at Grimsargh Club and the Village Green and reporting back to the Clerk.
- Repairing/building planters.
- Watering planters when necessary.
- Installing and removing the Christmas Crib on an annual basis.
- Weed spraying (appropriate qualification needed).
- Inspecting and maintaining the designated Public Rights of Way/Bridleways in the Parish.
- Carrying out strimming, replacing signage such as way markers, other minor repairs and similar work.

- Removing waste/fly tipping ( a Waste Carriers Licence will be required which will normally be paid for by the Parish Council).

The post holder/contractor will need to provide a suitable vehicle with business insurance cover, their own tools, and a mobile phone.

The post holder/contractor will maintain relevant insurance at all times and shall indemnify Grimsargh Parish Council, Preston City Council and Lancashire County Council against all claims and proceedings in respect of injury to persons and property arising out of the execution of the Parish Lengthsman works.

The post holder/contractor will need to have public liability insurance for at least £2 million in respect of any one incident with unlimited indemnity.

The post holder/contractor will supply all necessary equipment to carry out the work and ensure all relevant health and safety measures have been taken.

The post holder/contractor shall only purchase materials for works in the Parish by prior agreement with the Parish Council. The Parish Council will reimburse the costs of the materials subject to receipts being provided.

### **Proposed Terms and Conditions**

The appointed post holder/contractor will undertake the role of Parish Lengthsman in Grimsargh for 20 hours per week. Services are required for the equivalent of a 48-week period per year. The remaining 4 weeks per calendar year allow for holidays etc which can be taken at any time by prior agreement with the Parish Council.

The post holder/contractor shall normally work 20 hours per week, which can be varied from time to time by agreement with the Parish Council.

The hourly rate for the job is £19 per hour.