**RAC: ESTATE, ENVIRONMENT**

**Mandate:**

**The mandate is to assist management with everything pertaining to the environment and parkland in our village.**

**Note: no longer responsible for the gardens**

**Significant achievements:**

**Not much has happened since the start of the lockdown in March. The mid-year report back was in February so**

* **I’ll summarise what I reported then;**
* **Report on the one achievement since then.**

1. **Achievements reported on in February**

* **Arbor Day 2019: 9 trees planted;**
* **Andy Johnson labelled a selection of trees;**
* **Cleaned up the ponds with Basil, Henry, and Dave:**

**Once cleaned up we could:**

* **Introduce 2000+ fish into the pond;**

**Objective: control algae, duckweed, grass & bulrushes**

* **I’m sure you’ll all agree that the fish have done a great job!**
* **Had the area below the pond levelled and paved;**
* **Acquired the boat**

**Since then handed over to the village.**

* **Borehole commissioned, and**
* **Phase 1 of the irrigation installed.**

**Plans for the next year:**

* **Maintain the ponds.**
  + **Water quality and control algae, duckweed, grass & bulrushes;**
  + **Hopefully the fish will continue doing this for us.**
* **Get Phase 2 of the irrigation system going;**
* **Motivate Evergreen to put the open drain in front of the clubhouse underground and to change the attenuation pond;**
* **Present drain unsightly and a safety hazard, and**
* **Present attenuation pond an eyesore with potential for something better.**