

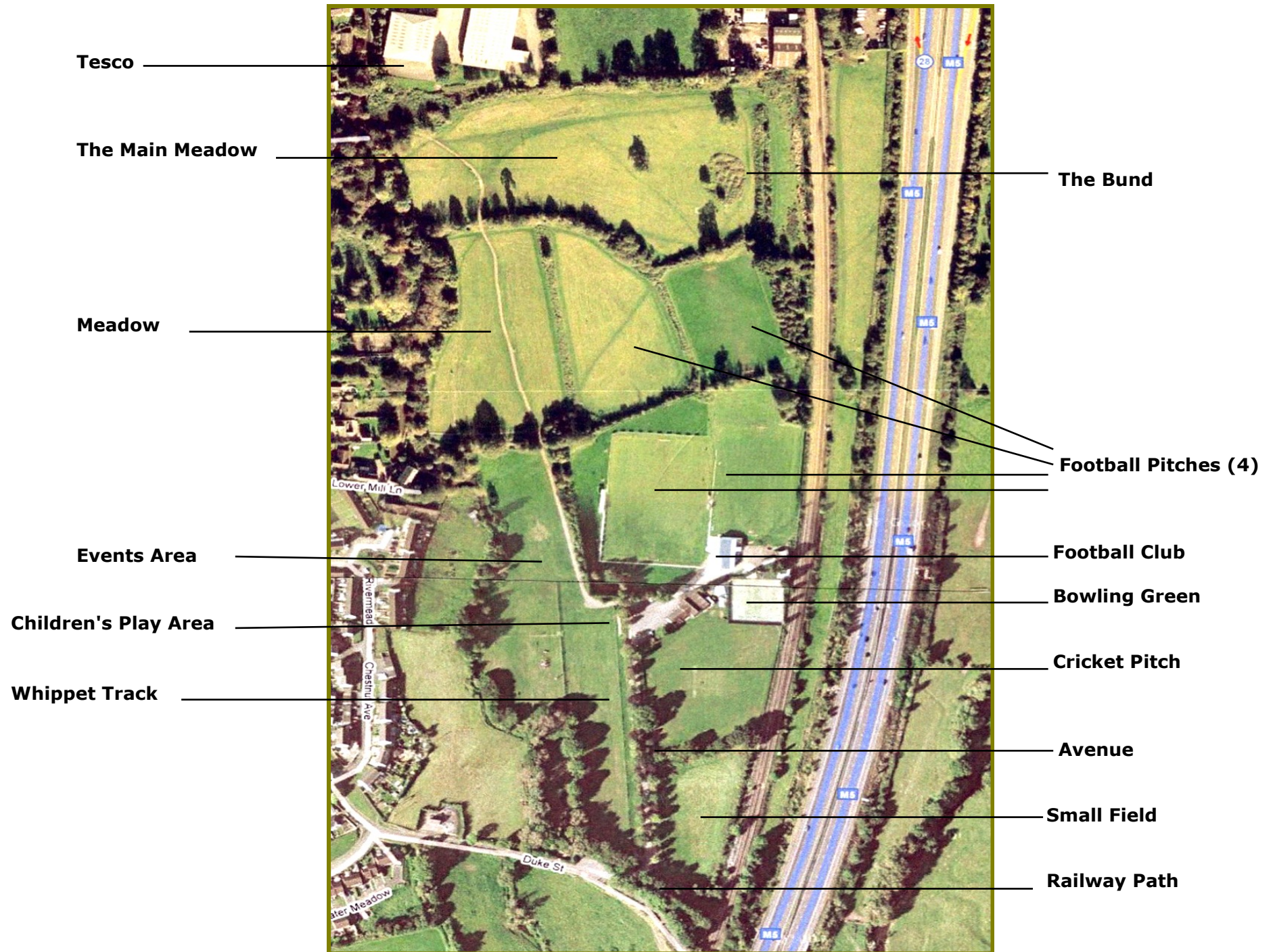
Trees  
Growing  
On the  
Cullompton  
Community  
Association  
Fields



2010









## **Introduction**

Communities and Local Government deals with all matters relating to 'amenity trees'; those trees that are grown mainly because they help to improve the quality of our lives, rather than for their value as a timber crop.

Amenity trees are found in town and country gardens, parks and other open spaces, or lining the sides of streets, railways, rivers, streams and canals.

Not only do they make places more attractive, but they also provide valuable habitats for wildlife, improve the air we breath, help to conserve energy and much more.

The Cullompton Community Association own 32 acres of parkland on which several varieties of Amenity trees can be found. These trees form a vital conservation and amenity resource.

Amongst these trees are several 'ancient' Oaks and Ash. Ancient trees are defined by the National Woodland Trust as trees of any species that are over a hundred years old and of trunk size.

There are two other species, initially unidentified, but have since been identified by Thornhayes Nursery as *Ostrya Carpinifolia*, European Hop Hornbeam, and *Sorbus Intermedia*, Whitebean. Both of these species are uncommon in our area. (See page 8).

As the Planners have not as yet decided the actual route for the Eastern Relief Road (ERR) they should be reminded that there is a policy stated by the MDCC for Tree Conservation and Maintenance, for trees owned or managed by the District Council. Quotes from their website :-

**Vision** "A healthy, diverse, expanding population of trees that enhances the environment of the District".

Their policy states - "No tree, of whatever age or size shall be cut down, pruned or damaged without the consent of the Director of Community Services".



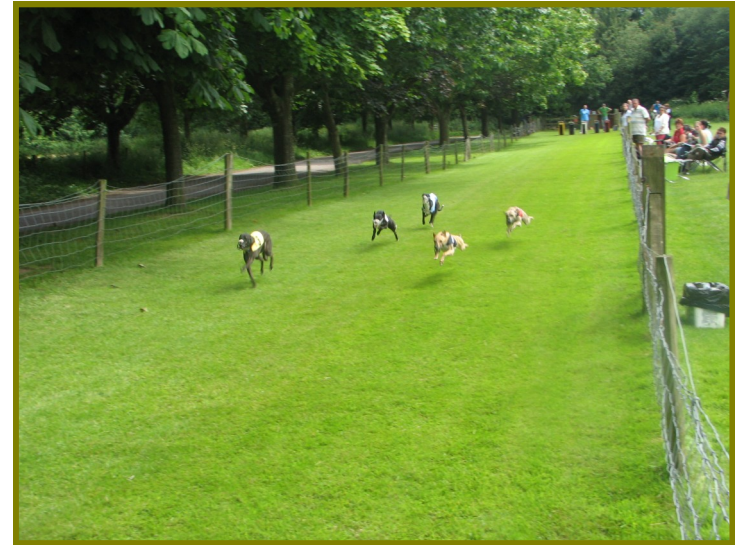


## The Avenue





## The Whippet Track







**Trees in the  
Events Meadow**





## Childrens Play Area





## The Main Meadow







**It is Possible that all trees in these two pictures, of the Main Meadow including the Bund will be felled.**







**These pictures show the trees bordering the two of the football pitches used by Cullompton Rangers Football Club. Some of these trees will have to be felled to make way for the Eastern Relief Road**









**More endangered Trees in the Main Meadow.**







**Yet two more trees in the Main Meadow that  
may have to be sacrificed for the  
Eastern Relief Road.**



## Hockey Pitch





## Trees in The Meadow





## Small Field and Cricket Field





## Railway path



**This bridge was built about 1840 by Brunel to carry his Bristol to Exeter railway.**

**Notice that under the bridge is a wall. The purpose of this wall is not known but is possible that it may be the remains of a mill and part of a Leat powering this mill.**



**Tress that are uncommon  
to this area of Devon**



**European Hop Hornbeam**



**Whitebeam**