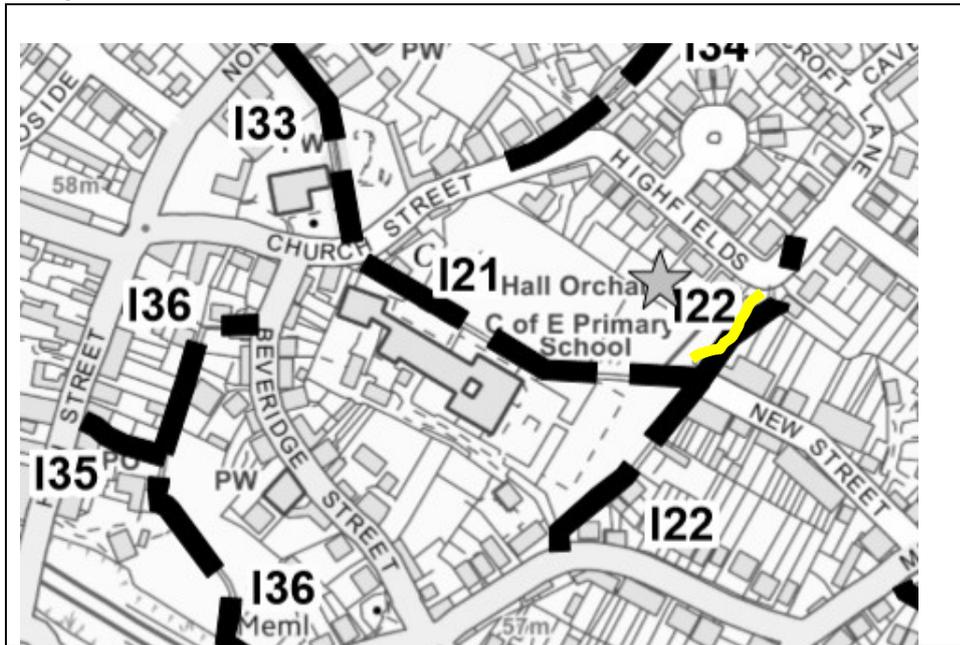


Location: New Street to Highfields Jitty to Highfields
Task # 28
Date: 3rd October **Review Date:**
Map:



Before



After

This is the end of the jitty at the top of New Street looking towards Highfields.

We removed the nettles close to the footpath, and left them under the leylandi trees to rot down as green waste over the winter. This should provide great winter habitat to local wildlife.



Before



After

These photos show a little more detail about the plants and shrubs we planted along the jitty to help improve the wildlife in the area.

We've split the area into 2 sections to allow us to confirm how best to manage the area going forward. The section nearest to New Street will be more actively managed than the section at the Highfields end.

Both will have the nettles closest to the paths cut back regularly throughout the summer, but in autumn the Highfields end will be left very natural looking, with little intervention to remove dead top growth as this provides food for wildlife.



Before



After

We've added 4 shrubs into the New Street section, including a lovely buddleia for butterflies, to replace areas of dense nettles. The other 3 shrubs have come from Jerusalem Island. They were removed at Easter to provide space for some roses. They've been looked after over summer and will now hopefully flourish once again in their new homes.

In this section we've also tried to remove nettles and nettle roots from the ground next to footpath to allow us to plant wildflower seeds in spring. We've added a few iris's too which will indicate to us the area of ground cleared of nettle root.

At some point in the future we hope to add small willow hurdles to keep the nettles off the footpath.

We would also like to add some information boards about the flowers and the wildlife it attracts.