



Waterhouses Community Orchard

51 trees were received from RV Roger Ltd on 13th Feb 2017 along with suitable stakes, ties, spirals, mulch mats etc., delivered in excellent condition.

Planting began on 14th Feb 2017 and was completed on Sunday 19th Feb. Note that some of the planting sites were adjusted on the day to account for soil conditions found once digging began. The attached (revised) planting plan shows where each variety and type was planted. Many thanks are given to all who helped with the planting and who kindly turned up (often with families) to assist. Special mention must be made of Josh Beasley, who was ever-present throughout. Josh worked extremely hard over the week and was a credit to the project. During the week, Richie Bell (Countryside Ranger) attended and reiterated his support for the scheme. If we require more intensive undergrowth clearance, he and his team would be happy to assist on request.

Also attending was Peter Samsom from Growing Durham, who along with his colleague Hannah, assisted with some of the planting and gave advice about initial pruning, which will be carried out over the next week or so.

Particular note must be made of the many encouraging and supportive comments made by members of the public who were using the Railway Path while planting was going on. Some had not heard of the project yet and were universally pleased to see this work in progress. As the growing season progresses it will be necessary to ensure that encroachment from invasive plants such as bramble, rank grasses and rosebay willow herb are kept in check.

Planting symbols: Early-season varieties



Egremont
Russet



Egremont
Russet



Egremont
Russet



Golden Spire



Golden Spire



Golden Spire



Bountiful



Bountiful



Bountiful



Sunset



Sunset



Sunset



Katya



Katya



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Conference



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Conference



Jubilee



Jubilee



Jubilee

Planting symbols: Mid-season varieties



Fiesta



Fiesta



Fiesta



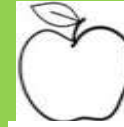
Allington



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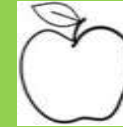
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Monarch



Monarch



Monarch



Williams



Williams



Williams



Czar



Czar



Czar

Mid varieties

Planting symbols: Late varieties



Tydemans



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Tydemans



Ashmead



Ashmead



Ashmead



Lord Derby



Lord Derby



Lord Derby



Concorde



Concorde



Concorde



Marjorie's
Seedling



Marjorie's
Seedling



Marjorie's
Seedling



College View
(Esh Winning)
200 m

Sunset

Waterhouses
Approx 300m



Waterhouses
Approx 200m

Katya
(Dual Purpose)

Golden Spire
(Dual Purpose)



Conference



Egremont
Russet
(Eating)



Jubilee

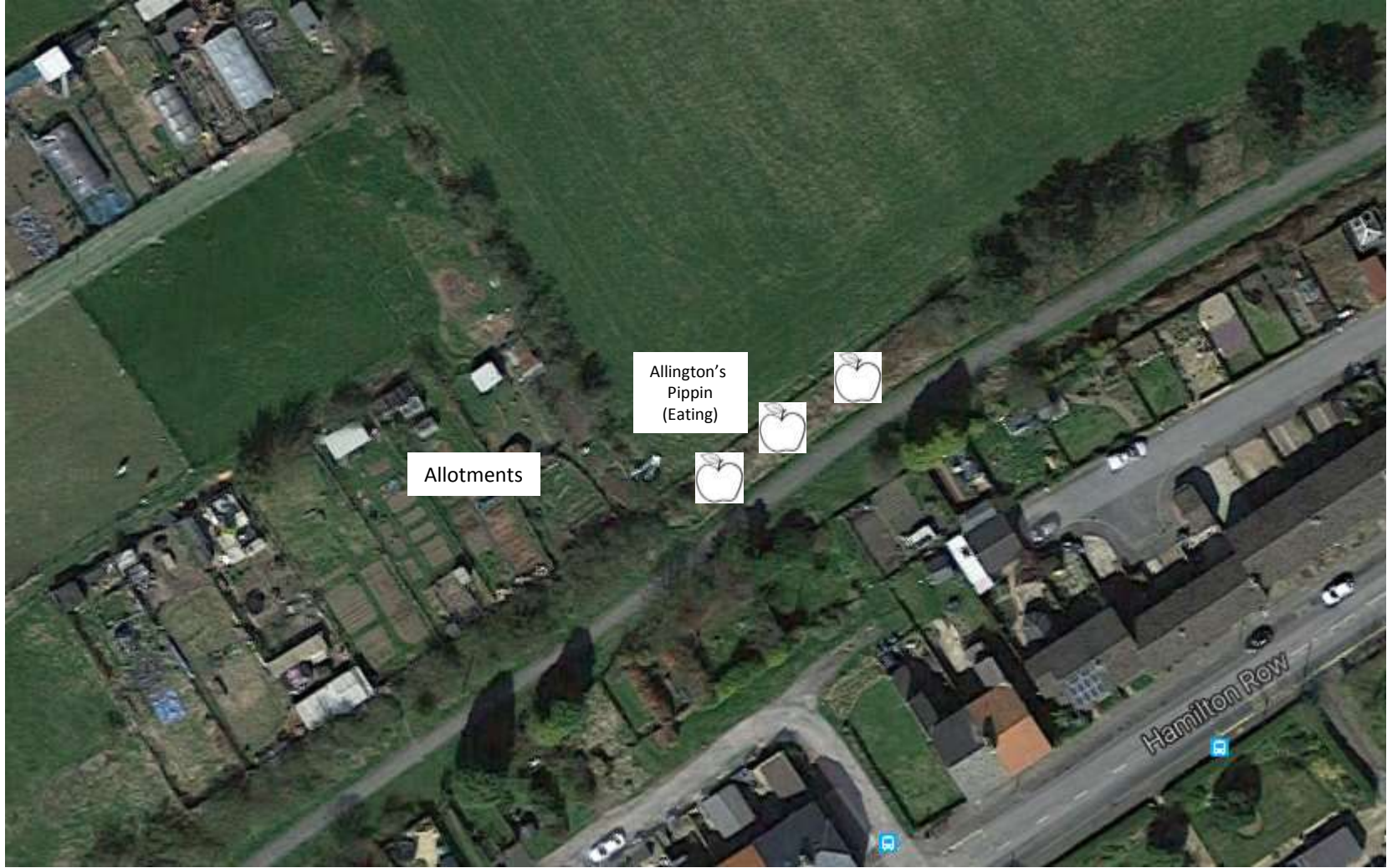


Bountiful
(cooking)





20 m



Allotments

Allington's
Pippin
(Eating)



Hamilton Row



River Deerness

Williams

Czar

Monarch

Staggered crossroad (Black Horse) 225 m

20 m



Lord Derby
(Cooking)



Concorde



Ashmead
(Dual purpose)



Marjorie's
Seedling



Tydemans
(Eating)