**Lytchett Matravers Parish Council**

**A Photographic Record of Japanese Knotweed in the South East Corner of the Recreation Ground**

# Introduction

On 20th May 2019 during an ecological survey associated with the project to improve the footpath from the Recreation Ground to Eldon’s Drove, and area of Japanese Knotweed was discovered in the South East corner of the Recreation Ground. The Parish Council has implemented a plan to eradicate this infestation by spraying the above ground growth with a suitable herbicide.

This paper provides a photographic record of the extent of the Japanese Knotweed infestation created on 11th July before the first programme of spraying.

# Location

The Japanese Knotweed infestation was estimated to be about 70 feet wide, running along the north side of the rough footpath from Rocket Park down to Eldons Drove, and had spread from the top of the bank down to the side of the path, making it about 20 to 30 feet deep. The approximate location is shown bounded by a blue line in Figure 1.

Figure 1 : Location of Knotweed

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# Photographs of Individual Plants for Identification

A close up of a flower garden

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# Photographs from Gate on Eldon’s Drove

A bench next to a tree

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# Photographs from East End of Knotweed Patch Looking West

A tree in a forest

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# Photographs Showing Proximity to Path at Closest Point

A green plant in a garden

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A tree in a forest

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# Photographs Looking up the Bank

A green plant in a forest

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A green plant in a forest

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