

Friends of Stratton Park

'a greener space for everyone'



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Autumn Event: Sun. Oct 14th - 3.00 – 4.00pm Plant & Seed Sale

This is our annual meeting when we can tell you about our plans, give you the news on what is happening in 2013 and get your input to some really important questions.

We are meeting in Kempshott Village Hall at 3.30pm but, in association with Kempshott Conservation Group, all that afternoon at the hall entrance we are holding a plant sale – pots & accessories, plants (especially shrubs and plants ready for next Spring) and wild flower seeds you can use in your garden.

Plans for Autumn & Winter in the Park - bulbs & more bulbs!

As planned we are adding many more Spring bulbs in the park – crocus, daffodils and aconites. We have asked the Scouts and Guides to help as there are LOTS of bulbs to plant. Here are our planned planting sessions, PLEASE make a note in your diary to COME AND HELP!

Day	Date	Month	Time	What we will be doing
Sunday	21	October	10am-1pm	Clearing & maintenance of Dellwood & Holy Ghost hedgerows
Sunday	04	November	10am-1pm	Bulb Planting – various locations
Sunday	11	November	2 – 4pm	Bulb Planting by Scouts
Wednesday	14	November	10am-1pm	Bulb Planting - Lime Walk aconites
Sunday	25	November	10am-1pm	Bulb & shrub planting & seeding in Dellwood
Sunday	10	March	10am-1pm	Shrub planting – Holy Ghost Field
Sunday	17	March	2 – 4pm	Clearance & maintenance
Wednesday	10	April	10am-1pm	Clearance & maintenance

We normally meet by the main Car Park and provide all materials and equipment needed.

We have arranged to work with the council conservation staff on Dellwood hedgerow trimming and ash stump treatment and to get the Community Payback team to overhaul and complete the dead hedging on Holy Ghost hedgerow in November.

If you are not able to join any of the meetings listed overleaf to plant bulbs etc. please let us know when you would be able to spare an hour or so - which days of the week and times.

Future enrichment of the Park ... after the bulbs, what next?

As our first phase plans take shape and we complete the bulb planting this winter, the question is... what next? What aspect of the green space would YOU like to see enriched next? Let us know your thoughts....

The big question : If you had £5,000 to spend on improvements to Stratton Park what would you choose to do with it?

This is exactly what we have, a budget of £5,000 for 2013. The Council have budgeted this amount to spend on improving the Park and want to know what the local community would like to spend this funding on. Friends of Stratton Park has been asked to canvas opinion and recommend projects by early October 2012.

This is your chance to influence decisions on the Park – give us your feed-back on the attached questionnaire, tell us which suggestions you would support – and/or write in your own suggestion.

We need your input by 23rd September 2012.

If you have any questions or comments on this consultation please contact us by any of the methods below.

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