

P&C update of issues in the park for FoMP meeting 19.2.13

Summary

Since the Steering Group Meeting on 15.1.13 ...

The Middleton Park Estate Volunteers got involved with ...

- Scrub management at the north end of the park
- Litter clearance near Balkliffe Lane & in the park

Events in the park

- 18.1.13 Middleton Park Schools History Project Celebration Event
- 23.1.13 Parks & Greenspace Forum
- 3.2.13 Orienteering event in the park organised by Rangers

School Involvement

- Two x year 1 classes from Middleton St Mary's visited the park to look at the woodland

Things of note for the near future include:

- 20-21.2.13 FoMP half term play activities
- 26.2.13 Middleton Park Project Board
- 5.3.13 Westwood Primary visit to the park
- 26.3.13 Toad Count from 7.30pm onwards – help P&C officers to survey the amphibian life of the pond
- March – April – re-creation of the wildflower meadow

Parks For People Project

- Since 10.12.12 Adult Social Care (ASC) has been operating a café within the centre 5 days of the week (Monday to Friday) between 10.15am and 2.15pm. Toilets in the centre are available to the public at these times
- 356 recorded customers in January. 416 so far in February
- Ongoing Landscape works include: the main Town St entrance; the Lodge footprint and flowerbeds in the Rose Garden; Creating the viewing area at Middleton Broom; and installation of the horse gin sculptor.
- If there is any underspend on the project, are there other works that FoMP may consider desirable to fund.
- Meeting to consider interpretation in the Visitor Centre (representatives of FoMP attended). Things discussed included a map of Middleton Park on walls with various facts highlighted, a time line running around the building; photos of Middleton Park in the 19th Century.

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