

Friends of Valley Gardens

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Work Parties

Sunday 30 June, 10am to 12 noon

Sunday 14 July, 10am, to 12 noon

Sunday 28 July, 10am, to 12 noon

Meet at the shelter at the top of the path at 9 Valley Road.

At this time of year the focus is on garden maintenance work—weeding, pruning and general tidying, and, of course, there will always be litter to be picked!

Work party 2 June



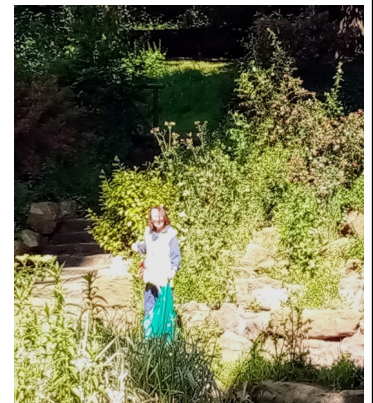
It was a lovely sunny day for our work party on 2 June.

We spent time in the Peace Garden continuing to tidy up the area as well as carrying on with the pruning of the area at the top of the Gardens near the Crescent.

Our litter pickers did their usual great job.

We were pleased that Harper was able to join us once again to keep an eye on proceedings!

It was also great to see the Peace Garden being used by visitors to the Gardens, making the most of the wonderful view over Spa Bridge.

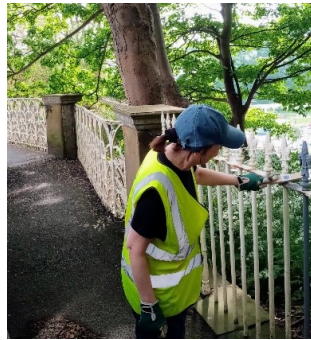


Planting

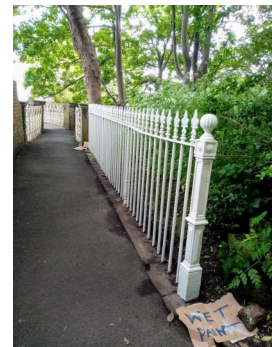
We have been doing a bit more planting in the Peace Garden. The Parks and Gardens Team kindly gave us some foxgloves and these were planted along with some of the Scabious plants given to us by Sainsburys, and 3 Philadelphus plants which we bought for this area. We can't wait to see them all in full bloom.

Vernon Road Bridge Railings

The work to restore the gate and the railings on the Vernon Road bridge is now complete. The Parks and Gardens team did a great job on the restoration and putting everything back in situ so that just left the painting to be done. We are very grateful to our volunteers, Marie and Karol, who made the most of the weather last month to complete the work.



Before



After

Fly Tipping

Unfortunately we have come across a few instances of fly tipping in the Gardens over the past month or so. We have found a child's pushchair, a bike, a shopping trolley, an upright Hoover (in a shopping trolley!), a chain and an odd metal object which looked like it had come off some sort of industrial machine! We have even found general household rubbish being dumped near (but not in!) the litter bins.

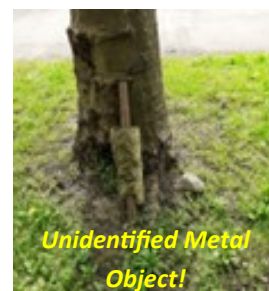


We want to clean up the Gardens but this is taking things too far!

If you come across anything like this, please do report it to North Yorkshire Council. It helps if you can take a photo and tell them exactly where it is using What3Words, or noting any landmarks near by.

Their advice is to leave it where it is and they will come and remove it. The easiest way to report it is using their online form at [Report fly tipping in the Scarborough area | North Yorkshire Council](#).

Or you can ring them on: 0300 131 2131.



Unidentified Metal Object!

With your help we can make the Gardens a cleaner place.

Easy Fundraising

We would like to say a big 'thank you' to those who have already registered under 'easyfundraising' to help raise money for us when shopping online.

We have just found out that we are in the top 50% of causes on the site which is an amazing achievement considering there are over 190,000 organisations to choose from. We have raised around £210 to date and we would love to keep up the momentum and get more people registered.

For those not yet signed up here's how it works:

Over 7,000 brands are part of a fundraising scheme where they will donate a percentage of what you spend online to your chosen recipient. Brands which are part of the scheme include Sainsbury's, Marks and Spencer, Argos, eBay and Amazon. It doesn't cost you anything – just a couple of minutes of your time to sign up.

It's easy to get involved—just go www.easyfundraising.org.uk to register.

Once registered select Friends of Scarborough Valley Gardens as the organisation you wish to support. Then every time you shop online at any the participating companies you will be asked if you want to make a donation. If you click 'yes' then any purchases you make will trigger an automatic donation to us. It's as simple as that!

Can you help?

We are always looking for more volunteers to help either at the work parties or behind the scenes helping with fund raising, funding applications, social media, being on the Committee etc. If you would like to get involved contact our Secretary, Chris, by email to: friendsofthevalleygardens@gmail.com

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