# Friends of Valley Gardens

Issue No 56

#### **Meet and Greet**

Members of the Committee will be in Valley Gardens on *Tuesday 3rd and Wednesday 4th September from 6pm to 7pm*. The meeting point is under Valley Bridge, near the pond.

If you have ever thought about volunteering but weren't sure what it involved then why not pop along and have a chat.

We are also aware that not everyone can make the Sunday morning work parties so we are keen to hear your views on what other days/times might work for you.

If you can't attend in person then you can always get in touch via our Facebook page <u>Friends of Valley</u> <u>Gardens, Scarborough</u>, or drop us an email <u>friendsofthevalleygardens@gmail.com</u>

#### **Next Work Parties**

Sunday 8 September, 10am to 12 noon

Sunday 15 September, 10am to 12 noon

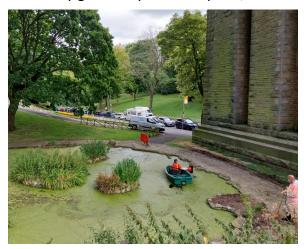
Meet at the shelter at the top of the path at 9 Valley Road.

It's that time of year when our attention turns to bulb planting so we are going to be focusing on that at the forthcoming work parties. On the 8th we will be preparing the ground for the bulbs and the 15th will be our Bulb Planting Day. As always, we also need litter pickers on both days.

Let's keep our fingers crossed that the weather is kind to us!

## Clearing the ponds

As you will be aware, at this time of year, the pond weed is at its most prolific. It is a naturally occurring phenomenon and not something that can easily be dealt with. We are investigating what, if anything, can be done but, in the meantime, the NYC Parks and Gardens Team took to the water to clear the rubbish which sadly gets dumped in the pond, as well as tackling the weeds on the waterfall.







### Work parties August

The main focus on 10 August was litter picking and clearing the area around Woodend ready for the Scarborough Theatre Company production of Treasure Island.

8 bags plus a shopping trolley! Not bad for a couple of hours work by just a few volunteers!





On 18 August it was good to see a new face amongst the volunteers today, as well as a couple of our four-legged friends.

Work focused on the areas around the small pond which we could get to without the need for a boat!

And, of course, the never-ending task of litter picking.







## And finally....

We couldn't do what we do without the support of others so we are very grateful to Boyes sim for giving us £40 of vouchers to spend on bulbs, and our friends at GROW Scarborough who have kindly donated 4 boxes of bulbs (400 in total) to us.

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#### 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: <a href="mailto:friendsofthevalleygardens@gmail.com">friendsofthevalleygardens@gmail.com</a>

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