

Friends of Valley Gardens

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Next Work Party

Unfortunately the weather got the better of us and we had to cancel the work party scheduled to take place on 12 January, so the first work party of 2025 will now be on:

Sunday 9 February 2025 from 10am to 12 noon

Meet at the top of the path at No. 9 Valley Road.

At this time of year the main focus is on general tidying and litter picking.

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

Your Community Needs You!

We hope you enjoy reading our newsletter, but do you (or someone you know) also love getting your hands dirty weeding, pruning and planting?

Do you get great satisfaction clearing up litter?

Maybe your skills lie in social media, marketing or fundraising?

Do you want to make a difference to your local environment and help improve and maintain Valley Gardens - the first public park in Scarborough?

If you can say yes to any of the above then we need you!



Why not join our friendly group of volunteers committed to maintaining and enhancing Valley Gardens for the benefit of residents and visitors alike.

Get in touch via email to:
friendsofthevalleygardens@gmail.com

Dates for the diary: Future work parties

Sunday 23 February 2025, 10.00 am to 12 noon

Sunday 9 March 2025, 10.00 am to 12 noon

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Easyfundraising

In the Christmas issue, we let you know about how easy it is to support The Friends of Scarborough Valley Gardens when shopping online. But it is worth remembering that *Easyfundraising* is not just for Christmas—you can take part all year round!

Whether it is looking for bargains in the new year sales, doing your weekly grocery shop, or just buying bits and pieces, every purchase you make from participating suppliers (nearly all the main supermarkets and online retailers) can benefit us.

To sign up go to Easyfundraising (www.easyfundraising.org.uk) and select Friends of Scarborough Valley Gardens as the organisation you wish to support.

Then, when you are doing your online shopping, if it is one of the retailers who are part of the scheme, you will be asked if you want to make a donation.

If you say yes, we will get a small percentage of the purchase price, at no extra cost to you—it really is that simple.

Thank you

Storm Damage

You may have seen that one of the big trees next to the pond on Valley Road was blown down in the high winds on 24 January. It fell into the pond and damaged the railings around the pond.

Luckily no-one was walking by at the time and, even more fortunately, it fell away from the road.

Thanks go to the Parks and Gardens Team who quickly made the area safe and have now removed the damaged tree.

And finally.....

A question was raised at the 2024 AGM about the quorum for our Committee Meetings as there is nothing formally stated in the Constitution, and we said we would review this.

We discussed it at our recent Committee meeting and felt that, in line with best practice, a quorum of 3 seemed to be sensible for a Committee of our size (currently 5 members). We are, in effect, already applying this but it is helpful to have it formalised.

Changes to the Constitution itself can only be done at an AGM so we will make sure that this is added to the AGM agenda later this year.

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