



## WOTTON COMMUNITY SPORTS FOUNDATION

Developing a multi Sport and Leisure environment for Wotton and the surrounding area

Welcome to the WCSF Newsletter and **Invitation** No 10: November 2016

*Wotton Community Parc - People, Activities, Recreation, Community*

### *INVITATION*

*Safe Access Path Opening Ceremony  
2pm Saturday 26th November 2016*

*You are cordially invited to attend our  
Safe Path Opening Ceremony*

*Site open from 1pm  
Ribbons will be cut at 2.00 pm  
Refreshments available from 1pm onwards  
Why not use our new safe path to get there  
Down the OK path and across the crossing*

RSVP to [sarahwatt100@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:sarahwatt100@yahoo.co.uk) 0787-592-6190

We want the Parc to be a place where everyone can get together and enjoy themselves – whether for quiet walks, sport, picnics, being in nature or being part of a team excelling in what they do.

Most of all, we would like you to tell us how you would like the Parc to continue to develop and how you would like to get involved. The safe path will be finished by 18<sup>th</sup> November, and we are now working towards providing, in the coming year, an increased and improved parking area so that everyone can access the Parc and what it has to offer.



Wotton is an amazingly well connected and energetic community and we want to build on this to enable the Parc to be available for much wider use for everyone.

We have plans – big plans – but we want to work with as many people as we can to ensure the Parc becomes a place where everyone feels welcome and there is something for everyone.

## **Our future plans for the development of the site: may need planning – definitely need funding**

- Wotton Community PARC = People, Activities, Recreation, Community
- Party in the Parc – Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2017 – 9am-11pm – Family Fun, Local Bands, Local Beer, Local Food. Fun Run, parkrun, Skate and BMX Jam, stalls, music, food – meet us there
- Wotton’s Secret Gardens Trail – A great second year planned – Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2017. Lots of new gardens, and some that you loved from 2016 – refreshments, views, delights ....
- parkrun – 9am Saturdays throughout the year, including Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. A well attended and well organised, timed 5k run. Register at [www.parkrun.org.uk](http://www.parkrun.org.uk)
- Increased and improved parking area with an extension to the network of accessible paths
- Introduction of a sensory garden, memory walk, willow trees, barbeque area, picnic area and a fire pit to encourage wider leisure use
- Construction of a children’s play area, a BMX track and seating area to create a place for family sport and leisure with a refreshment unit during weekends and holidays
- Setting up a Men’s Shed where members share the tools and resources they need to work on projects of their own choosing at their own pace and in a safe, friendly and inclusive venue. see [www.menssheds.org.uk](http://www.menssheds.org.uk)
- Construction of a Boules court and Archery area to include facilities for all ages and abilities
- Construction of a third all weather pitch for rugby and football, club house, changing rooms
- Hosting sports and cultural festivals to welcome more visitors to enjoy the site
- Construction of a huge sand pit within the fenced children’s play area
- An artists’ day – invite local artists to spend a day on site to paint what they see and their response to it
- A grass maze and full size tepee

## **Some ideas and thoughts from the Community**

- An art trail – paintings of the site, sculptures, street art, a scarecrow festival
- Old fashioned games – quoits, Aunt Sally, and Children’s activities Saturdays
- Working with Town Twinning organisation on developing Boules
- Bike racks, a series of gardens/allotments, a youth shelter, wildlife information boards
- Lots of seating and somewhere to shelter from the weather and a camping area
- An outdoor gym, allotments, a bandstand, a community hub, good coffee

Our committee of 15 are all volunteers and most work full time, giving freely of their spare time, energy and expertise. You don’t have to become a committee member, but could you work with any one of us on any of the plans that you or we have?

It is such a lovely space – from the buzzards above it, the people on it, the sunsets behind it, and the potential it has to be a hub of activity and well being for everyone.

It’s all about the space

- the space to fill with activities and possibilities
- the space to be open and welcoming to all
- the space to achieve our goals
- the space to hear everyone’s needs and dreams

Watch this space ..... Our Field of Dreams

Do get in touch

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