



SUMMER NEWSLETTER 2016

Path Upgrades

Following the requests of several members, both individually and at the last AGM, and after an extremely wet winter, FoBH have improved the path running from Edmund Beaufort Drive to the corner of Waverley Road, plus short stretches on either side of Harpenden Road. Several people have commented on being able now to walk along these paths which had become almost impassable. On this occasion, the whole cost was borne by the Friends' funds.

New Litter Bin

The new bin is in place near a bench where litter has always accumulated. The bin is well used, although strangely, there is always some litter lying around it rather than in it!

While on the subject of litter, we had a successful Spring Clean, with the prize item being a supermarket trolley hauled from the bottom of Beech Bottom Dyke. (See photos on our excellent and regularly updated website).

Play Area Plans

With great help from Cllr Curthoys, the Upper Heath playground is due to undergo refurbishment in the coming weeks. Equipment will be repainted and repaired and the springy toy will be replaced. We are also in the final stages of negotiating the introduction of a junior size football goal to the Upper Heath. We wait to hear if our request for permission to expand the play area's footprint has been granted.

Sandridge Road Wastes

We plan to erect information boards on the Sandridge Road Wastes, similar in style to those on the Heath. These will tell their history – and we shall discover that the Wastes are not just extra wide verges!

Contact Details

We like to post advance notice of events or items of interest and maintain an email list. If you have recently changed your server, could you please let us know. Please contact davidwpearce@gmail.com

Website and Social Media

Take a look at our website where you can currently see fascinating photos of a horse chestnut bud opening, or a possible plan for a revitalised play area. Or you can join in the current discussions on Facebook or Twitter.

- Website www.bernardsheath.org
- Twitter @Bernards_Heath
- Facebook Friends of Bernards Heath
- Streetlife Search Friends of Bernards Heath

Our Next Event

Saturday 11th June at 9.30am is the date for lightly improving the path in Beech Bottom Dyke. We shall be based on the grass opposite the Ancient Briton and our aim is to clear encroaching undergrowth along the top path and in the bottom of the dyke to make both more accessible. Please wear stout footwear and bring secateurs/loppers and gloves. All are welcome.

Subscriptions (for January to December 2016)

It is not too late if you have not joined our lively association and we particularly welcome new residents. Subs are still £10 per family with no increase in the last fifteen years!

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Name:.....

Address.....

Email address.....

I enclose the sum of £10(chèque payable to Friends of Bernards Heath).

Signed.....

An email receipt will be sent or please tick the box below.

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Send to The Treasurer, 21 Warwick Road, St Albans, AL1 4DJ