Winter 2020-21

ONE TRAFFORD Local News from the One Trafford Partnership

Historic restoration at John Leigh Park is completed with help of community

The works to restore the heritage gates at the Hartley Road entrance of John Leigh Park have been completed.

As part of the ongoing green space capital programme, the scheme was backed by Section 106 funding. This funding was enough to complete the specialised stonework required to rebuild the entrance. In addition, the Friends of John Leigh Park successfully crowdfunded to provide extra funding on top of Trafford Council's investment of £52,000.

The group managed to raise an extra £15,487, including £5,000 from Seamons Moss Community Association, to allow for additional restoration works to be carried out. This included reintroducing the iconic coping stones which were hand-crafted by skilled masons. The funding also allowed wrought iron

fencing to be reintroduced, after having been removed during World War II as part of the war effort.

For the restoration to be completed, a number of historic accounts, images and drawings had to be studied to ensure the rebuild was as accurate as could be. The works included like-for-like masonry; with three pillars on each side of the entrance, complete with coping stones, and black iron railings. Although not part of the original historic gateway, additional bollards have also been installed to protect the gates from vehicles.

If you would like to know more about the Friends of John Leigh Park, visit www.johnleighpark.org.uk

In the last 5 years, One Trafford have delivered over £1 million of green space improvement schemes! That includes 11 climbing frames, 6 roundabouts, 7 see-saws, 5 slides, 21 pieces of trim trail equipment, 11 football posts, 19 new gates and 230 new park signs!



We're continuing essential works to look after your parks

The green space capital programme for 2020-21 is continuing to make improvements across a number of Trafford's parks and green spaces. Completed schemes include the replacement of outdoor gym equipment at Worthington Park and the repair and resetting of play equipment at Pickering Lodge. New schemes beginning in February to March 2021 include surfacing repairs at Longford Park and repairs to play equipment at Hendham Drive Play Area.

Discover more about the green space capital programme at <u>www.trafford.</u> <u>gov.uk/parkmaintenance</u>

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Supporting the Trafford community

One Trafford members of staff are given one Community Involvement Day per year to volunteer their time in the community. Here is what our teams have been up to recently.



One Trafford team supports vulnerable resident

In October, the grounds maintenance and highways team used their Community Involvement Day to help a vulnerable resident in Stretford. The team had come across the property during their day to day work and noticed the hedge in the front garden was encroaching onto the public highway.

The resident, who is 99 years old, used to be a keen gardener. However in recent years, he has not been able to tend his garden like he used to. The team decided to step in to help by cutting it back themselves. The cuttings, which had been around 8-9 feet tall, filled a skip plus two flatbed vans! Afterwards the road and pavement outside the house were swept up.



Pedal to the metal – whopping £13k raised for The Children's Adventure Farm Trust

As a member of local cycling charity group, Timperley Boneshakers, one employee helped to raise £13,000. Cycling from Timperley to Morecambe and back over a weekend in September, he covered a staggering 200 miles. To further support the cause, Amey Foundation donated an additional £200 taking the total to £13,200. The donation will be going to The Children's Adventure Farm Trust, which provides respite breaks and activities for families of disabled and terminally ill children.



Light 'em up!

Two team members from the highways' street lighting division used their community involvement day to light up Sale West. The lighting within the multi-use games area belonging Sale West Community Centre was in need of repair. The team repaired the electrics and installed refurbished lightbulbs. But the team didn't stop there! They called in support from supplier, KJ Lines, to reinstall white line marking within the games area. KJ Lines have previously supported One Trafford by installing Thank You NHS messages on Trafford's roads.

Between September and December 2020, 8 employees used their CID in the Trafford community. That's a total of 64 hours volunteered recently in Trafford!

Amey employees have chosen Cancer Research UK as a partner charity. Together with colleagues across the UK, One Trafford will be supporting the charity over the next two years. As part of the ongoing support to raise money and awareness for the charity, employees now have the option to donate the pennies from their monthly salary. This means employees who have signed up, will have their salary rounded down to the nearest pound, donating between 1p-99p every month directly to fund vital research.

Weekly green bin collections are back!!

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From Monday 1 March, the collection of green bins returned to a weekly service. Households can now present all of their green bins for collection each week.

So, if it's raw, cooked or gone off, recycle all of your unwanted food and your garden waste. Green bins should be presented for collection on the scheduled bin day only.

Residents should follow this advice from 1 March:

- 1. Place your scheduled blue, black or grey bins out for collection as normal by 6.30am on your usual collection day – check your bin collection calendar.
- 2. Each week, also put out your green bin/green street caddy.
- 3. Please put all of your food and garden waste in your green bin.
- 4. You can continue to contact us to report a missed collection of your green, blue, black and grey bins. Please report any missed bins online at www.trafford.gov.uk/report-it within two working days of when they should have

been collected. Please leave your bin out and we will empty it as soon as possible.

Community in focus

The Friends of **Denzell Gardens** and the Devisdale

The Friends of Denzell Gardens and the Devisdale were set up in 2002. It was set up to promote, conserve and protect both the historic gardens and the adjoining open parkland of the Devisdale.

The Friends group is headed up by a volunteer committee whose purpose is to support the area by working in partnership with One Trafford, who own the gardens and the Devisdale.

In addition to their ongoing support in helping to look after the green space, the Friends group have run multiple local activities. These include a Dog Training day, book festival, and school plays in conjunction with Altrincham Girls Grammar School. In addition to



the friends, there is also a garden volunteer group whose specific aim is to work with One Trafford improve the gardens.

In recent years the friends and garden volunteers have achieved the restoration of numerous historic features including the lych gate at the Green Walk entrance, the sunken gardens and the Victorian venting chimney.

Keeping you moving on your essential journeys

We're continuing with this year's highways capital programme, which is now more than half way through. This includes the completion of 3 large schemes on Gorsey Lane and Hartington Road junction, Carrington Road, Flixton Road and Cross Street (A56). The schemes included some reconstruction of the road. This means the old surface is removed over 50mm deep so that when the new layer of tarmac is laid, the structural integrity is

reinforced at a deeper level. This gives the road surface better and longer lasting protection from recurring problems like potholes caused by cold weather and frost. But we're not stopping there! The next set of schemes include Great Stone Road, Black Moss Road and Roaring Gate Lane, plus the start of the patching programme. Roads to be patched include Marsland Road, Edge Lane and St. Margaret's Road.

Discover more about the highways capital programme at

www.trafford.gov.uk/traffordroads or search #TraffordRoads

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