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NEWSLETTER

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Message from our Chair

The snowdrops and daffodils are showing in the park signalling the arrival of spring around the corner.

Last year the committee continued working with a variety of agencies including the Council, Alder Hey and Sustrans to deliver the restoration of the park that was promised over ten years ago. There are however a significant number of outstanding issues to resolve. We have secured the agreement of the Council to resurface the damaged areas around the monument, provide additional seating near the containers and additional litter bins. We will also be collaborating with the Council to redesign the layout in the car park and add additional family friendly bays.

A lot of the parking spaces are currently being occupied by contractors and staff vehicles leaving very limited space for legitimate park users. We are asking Parking Enforcement to deal with this problem.

We would also like the council to arrange for mobile catering providers to sell refreshments and to organise changing facilities for the football teams.

We remain committed this year to continue our work in the best interests of the community; to do so we need more people to support our efforts. Even just turning up for our monthly community litter picks would be an immense help.

We were unable to hold our AGM before Christmas for a variety of reasons but intend to do so in the near future.

Tony Hegarty, Chair

Anti-Social Behaviour

We are still hearing of instances of ASB in the park; please report each and every occasion you hear or see to the Police and LCC. There are direct links to do this on our website.

Children's Activities in the Park

The Committee has decided that for the near future, we will not be holding any children's activities in the park. This is for two reasons.

Firstly, the cost of running the activities versus the actual attendance is prohibitive. Attendance has been very poor despite us trying various ways for people to book a place. Lots of people booked on and were then no shows therefore depriving others of a place, which was so disappointing.

Secondly, Becki, who helped organise and run the activities, has decided to step down from her business. She has decided on a complete change of career. We need someone who would be willing to take the activities over. If you know of someone, please let us know.

Our local councillor, Joanne Kennedy, is hoping to arrange activities for local children in the Easter holiday in the park. We will keep you informed when we know the details.

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Litter Pick

We are about to have our first litter pick of the year. A heartfelt thank you to the few usual volunteers who worked hard during 2025 picking up an enormous amount of litter. It is so disappointing that more people cannot get involved. It is only an hour out of your day once a month. We hold our litter picks on the last Saturday of the month. Our 2026 litter picks will commence on 28th March 2026 and then every last Saturday of the month. These dates are advertised in our notice boards and on the website. They will also be advertised on our Facebook account, especially if there are any changes.

It would be fantastic to see people using the bins provided, meaning there is less litter that needs picking up. Hopefully, we will see you in March!

Gardening Club

A heart felt plea for any gardeners out there to help Keith start to sort out the flower beds for Spring. Please let us know if you can help.

Magic Bench/Sensory Garden

We have reported the damage to the bench to the joiner and await his advice. We are still chasing LCC for an update on the sensory garden bid. We are also still chasing LCC for updates on our musical instruments and our seesaw which have been removed from the play area.

The Swale and Pond

We stopped the builder digging in the swale for what would appear drainage- LCC Enforcement team are now involved, and we are insisting that we view the accentuation tanks as the swale is only for the park use not the housing development.

Car Park

We and numerous other park users have complained to LCC about the car park continuously being full and the park empty. Unfortunately, this is something else we are still waiting for the parking enforcement team to deal with.

How to Complain about Issues in the Park

Please be assured that we pass on all complaints received about parking, building work and anti-social behaviour to the relevant departments and our local councillor.

To make complaints yourselves, the link for ASB is on our website.

The park and green spaces web address is <https://liverpool.gov.uk/contact-us/contact-a-service/parks-and-greenspaces/>

The councillor and committee web address is <https://liverpool.gov.uk/council/councillors-and-committees/find-your-councillor/>

Finally

As always, we would like to take this opportunity to thank all our volunteers, partners and other local 'Friends of' park groups for all their hard work, knowledge and support of our group.

The Friends of Springfield Park Committee

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