



STB Newsletter

September 2018

Summer Memories

Hello! The Boardwalk Gang hope you have all had opportunity to enjoy the boardwalk, bird-watching platform and the tranquillity of the Slashpond over this glorious summer? It would be lovely to hear all about it and see your photos so please visit our facebook page at www.facebook.com/supporttheboardwalk and share your comments, pics and memories!

Rubbish - Resolved!

Good news ... at last the bins in the picnic area have been removed. Of course, it means that everyone must take their rubbish home or to the nearest bins which are now at the top of Sandyke Road, but at least there won't be un-emptied bins to put you off your picnic anymore!

Further Enhancements

We held a poll on facebook this August, asking the question *"Should we BOARDWALK & Deck the dirt/cinder path up to the tarmac path? Creating an all-weather, boardwalk from end to end that would put an end to the flooded muddy puddles in winter?"* 74 people voted, the results were 93% YES and 7% NO.

We are currently applying for funding for this latest project. If successful we'll need to match-fund £3650 therefore will be fundraising again very soon! Please, if you have ideas, donations, or opinions contact us via [facebook](#), email (boardwalkgang@gmail.com) or come to our next meeting?

... Leading nicely to a big **SHOUT OUT** for new volunteers! We need help in all aspects so I am sure there is something here for you! From fundraising to strimming, litter picking to applying for grants and funding, cake baking and minute-taking, brain-storming or planting meadow flowers, facebook or website updating, outdoors or indoors!

The Slashpond Boardwalk is an alternative attraction to our wonderful Blue Flag beach. A sheltered 235 metre non-slip, paw friendly decked walkway surrounding a serene pond in a habitat that supports a wildflower meadow, a picnic area, willow dens, bug houses and bat & bird nesting boxes.

Parking at Trafalgar Terrace car park (along the seafront, turn left at the Galleon Inn, ¼ mile on the left. Parking is free with a donation box at the entrance to help local community groups). Walk out of the car park, turn left, the walk entrance is 30 metres on the left. Sat Nav directions use SA62 3JU. Bring along a small net and enjoy the 'Dipping Deck' or test yourself with Nature Trail Quiz. The area offers a circular route of approximately ½ mile which is accessible to motobility scooters, wheelchairs and pushchairs.

Join us !

Our next meeting's date is to be arranged. We tend to meet once a month, on a Monday evening, though not in the summer as people are either busy, or away, or just enjoying living here. It's a lovely community group with something for everyone and it's a bit of a social too! Please keep an eye on our facebook page; you'd be most welcome. If you're not on facebook please email us (boardwalkgang@gmail.com) and we'll send you its time/date. Have a think about it! Thx so much.

'Support the Boardwalk' – Fundraising to Preserve and to Enhance

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