

Fulford in Bloom

Fulford Wins The Lottery!



Lottery money has been used to purchase play equipment, such as the Viking Ship on Fordlands Road playing field pictured above.

FULFORD IN BLOOM were delighted earlier in the year to be awarded funding from the Big Lottery Fund.

The over £7000 award includes funds to cover the costs of playing field equipment, planters, trees, bulbs, plants and this very newsletter.

Heslington Scouts helped to plant some 105 'Wild Harvest' trees (in the form of whips supplied by The Woodland Trust) on Fordlands Field on the 13th March last year. They planted a further 105 trees in March this year, whilst Heslington Cubs planted snowdrops under trees at the end of Heath Croft on the 14th April last year. (Picture below).



FLOWER TUBS

Money from the successful lottery bid was also used to purchase some more flower tubs.

These were placed outside the Social Hall in front of the Fulford Scout Hut and between the seats along Main Street opposite Eliot Court.



BULBS

A further 4000 bulbs were planted in the A19 central reservation in November last year. This is part of the wider plan to fill the central reservation with crocus so as to create a pleasing welcome for all entering the village. Also that day, Fulford Cubs planted more daffodil bulbs on Fordlands field.

Thank you to Cllr Keith Aspden, Colin and Verna Campbell for successfully submitting the lottery application.

Four Rowan Trees Planted

Lottery money has been used to purchase four Rowan Trees. These have been added to the existing mature trees growing alongside the hedge on the west side of the School Lane playing field.



OTHER NEWS

A BIG THANK YOU to Townends for planting the small garden at the junction of Heslington Lane and Main Street with decorative shrubs thereby helping to make this crucial junction attractive.

FULFORD IN BLOOM has managed to persuade BT to paint and replace the missing glass in the telephone box on Main Street (Pictured below). This is part of a wider effort to continue to improve the street environment in the local area.



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Developing a courtyard garden

"Having moved from a house with a quarter of an acre of garden into a small terrace type house in Main Street with only a small backyard and a frontage that no longer had a garden there, I needed to make some sort of green space for myself amongst the traffic and back alleys of Fulford and do my bit for Fulford in Bloom.

"I had a selection of small "bonsai" native trees which I brought with me, having grown them from seeds some fifteen years ago, all of which were about a foot high.

"I now have chestnut, maple, beech, hazel, willow, silver birch and two kinds of oak trees growing in the yard as well as a ginko biloba, lilac, hydrangea, hardy sweet pea, honey suckle, magnolia and Clematis.

"These form a backdrop for smaller flowering plants such as lavender, philadelphus, rosemary and southern wood (artemesia).

"There is also a place for small things like snow drops, polyanthus, forget-me-nots and some ferns and of course there are walls on which to hang things and window sills on which to have plants which can be seen from the kitchen.



"All of my plants are in pots with ordinary compost and are left out all year round. Apart from an occasional tidy up, watering and sweeping the yard it mainly looks after itself. The only downside to this kind of gardening is that you need a good neighbour who will water them in summer while you are away! I have a small water fountain as the sound of running water is always pleasant when sitting out in the summer."

J. Nicholson



Village Sign Erected

A new village sign has been erected at the Naburn Lane entrance to the village. This now means that there is a village sign on all the roads into Fulford.



New Tree in Glen Close

A River Birch tree has been planted in a front garden in Glen Close.

This is intended to be merely the first of many new trees to be planted. Trees are needed to help green the village and also combat air pollution and minimise the summer heat island effect.



Time to get growing...

HOW COULD YOU best get involved?

Plant up and display one or more planters or hanging baskets. This year's colour is pink.

Spend a few hours supporting a community project - clearing weeds or litter, planting trees, developing green areas, encouraging wildlife...

Make a special effort to develop or landscape your garden, business premises or shop. Maybe get new ideas from the others printed here.

Fulford in Bloom exists to improve the visual appearance of the village and the amenities available for residents while building a strong community.



Please update the project on your own idea or local initiative, by contacting:
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Please protect our verges!

Parking on the verges not only damages the grass but it also compacts the soil, making it difficult to plant bulbs. If residents could take extra care, the verges will look nicer for everyone.

Pictured, ward councillor Keith Aspden with a verge damaged earlier in the year. The bollards shown have now been fixed.

