

The Sproughton Millenium Green Trust has been enhanced with additional members joining us as Directors, with both Neil Seward and Charlie Barber coming on board in the past year. Unfortunately we had to say goodbye to Liz Wren after her recent marriage and subsequent relocation away from the area. We welcome our new Directors who are already adding extreme value and we wish Liz all the very best in her new marriage.

The Green has had an eventful year with 3 sizeable floods putting the entire area under water and the flow of water strong enough to move heavy oak benches out of position. We "welcomed" a homeless camper to the green, which gave cause for blue light services to attend on more than one occasion and left the Trust / parish with a clean-up of waste and hazardous material to contend with.

Fundraising has been strong, albeit the only source of income to continue to maintain the space, with the 100 club again showing strong ticket sales. We remain thankful to previous Chair ken Seager for continuing to run and administer the 100 club.

We have recently formed a fundraising sub-committee who are working on exciting plans to bring some family fun to the green for the Autumn, watch our for more news to follow shortly on local noticeboards and leaflets / magazines etc.

Recent maintenance has included further tree trimming / pruning and we are extremely grateful to the volunteers from UK Power Networks who have given up their volunteer time from work to help perform some heavy workload with machinery that would be out of the budget for the Trust to hire themselves. Further, we have worked on re-creating the wildflower areas around the perimeter of the grass with Neil leading a small team working on preparing the soil and sowing the seed. Looking forward to seeing what we can create over the coming years.

I would like to given my personal thanks to the serving Directors, to Ken for continued support and counsel and to the Parish Council for their collaboration and to anyone that uses the Green and enjoys it respectfully and to its fullest.

The team has grown and we have a diverse range of knowledge and skills but we could always do with building further, if you are interested is getting involve please do let me know at the contact information below.

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