



Sunnybank Park *Keeping the 'sunny' in Sunnybank*

Newsletter – Summer 2017

Sunnybank Park is the green lung of Sunnybank, Froghall, Powis and Old Aberdeen. It comprises several areas under different ownership and management, but a network of paths knits it all together and gives the feel of a single, sizeable park. The core area is leased and managed by the Friends of Sunnybank Park, a community group that formed in 2010 to stop the area being sold to developers.

It's your neighbourhood!

Sunnybank Park is now part of the Keep Scotland Beautiful network of areas, participating in their "It's Your Neighbourhood" programme, a community environmental improvement initiative which we managed in



partnership with the Royal Horticultural Society under the Britain in Bloom campaign. It runs alongside Beautiful Scotland but is non-competitive and is based on the three pillars (or themes) of community participation, environmental responsibility and gardening achievement. The 2017 theme is "Birds, Bees & Trees" and we thought that Sunnybank Park was a perfect ground for the growth of a wide



variety of trees and plants, representing a wonderful haven for our flying and buzzing friends!

Sunnybank Park welcomes Wallspot!

Wallspot is an international organisation whose objective is to integrate and bring together all those engaged in urban art: artists, photographers, arts managers and promoters, the general public and the local government, thus creating a global urban art community. We were contacted a few months ago, to discuss the opportunity to become the first wall in Scotland and indeed in the whole of the UK! Keep an eye out for the various works which will appear on the big wall beside the old Tennis courts!



Fight Dirty! Keep YOUR park clean!

Litter has always been an issue in the Park. There are limited bins available (we are working on it!) and



not all users make the small extra effort to carry their rubbish to the nearest communal bin outside the Park. The solution to this problem isn't, however, leaving it behind! Our Teams of volunteers and a lot of everyday users of the Park have constantly engaged in more or less improvised litter picking sessions throughout the year. ACC has provided the Committee with a number of litter pickers, gloves, bags and yellow vests. As part of the Keep Scotland Beautiful,

Sunnybank Park became one of the spots of the 2017 edition of the 24-Hour **Glitter Pick** initiative put in place by ACC. More initiatives will follow, in the constant effort to tackle this ongoing issue!!

There's more newsletter overleaf!

Friends of Sunnybank Park Annual General Meeting

Saturday 19 August, 2-3pm in the park.

Programme: 2pm Tour of the park; 2.30pm Meeting; 3pm Cake

ALL WELCOME

