



Sidcup Community Garden Newsletter

October 2016



Garden Update and News

We've had a very hot and dry couple of months but thanks to the watering team the plants have survived. The Saturday morning sessions have been well attended with everyone pitching in to deadhead, weed and maintain the borders, which have looked stunning all season. We have received many positive and appreciative comments from members of the public visiting the garden.



On 24th September 17 volunteers made light work of planting the three semi-circular beds and the young plants are holding up well.

The four corner beds have been cleared and prepared for the rose planting which will take place in November.

The Council have undertaken the first of hopefully many of their promised grass cuts and our newly acquired mechanical edger has been put to good use. Apparently it is very noisy but effective!

Next Meetings

As autumn approaches we will now meet just once per month, which will be on the 2nd Saturday, from 10 am to 12 noon. The dates for your diary are therefore as follows:-

8th October - a skip is going to be ordered so that we can spend the morning clearing the pile of cuttings and garden rubbish in the corner of bed 1. This bed can then be cleared (save for the part the Council are still treating for knotweed) and prepared ready for our sponsors, Ruxley Manor Garden Centre to plant.

12th November – this will be rose planting day. There will be 128 roses ready to plant in each of the 4 corner beds so that means 512 plants in total. A busy morning!

10th December – a variety of winter tasks including dead heading and leaf gathering.

Look forward to seeing you all and many thanks for your continued enthusiasm and support.

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