



## Sidcup Community Garden Newsletter

November 2016



### Garden Update and News

On Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October a team of volunteers cleared the rubbish pile in the corner of bed 1 and then cleared the rest of the bed as part of the preparation for planting.

We are pleased to report that Bexley Council have formally agreed to the installation of the circular bench round the tree in the centre of the garden. The Council are going to clear and prepare the ground. We are now in a position to order the bench and hopefully the preparation work will be undertaken before Christmas.

The Council have also given their approval to clear the 4 circular beds and for these to be replanted. A planting plan with costings is being prepared for Council approval.

### Rose Planting – 12<sup>th</sup> November



Whatever the weather, on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November the aim is to plant 128 roses in each of the 4 “L” shaped beds, each of which has now been fully prepared for the big day!

Each bed will be planted with ground cover roses in a single colour:-

Kent – White

Surrey – Pink

Lancashire – Cherry Red

Sussex - Apricot

We need as many volunteers as possible to come and assist in what we hope will be a happy, productive and successful morning. Please come anytime from 10 am and, if possible, bring a spade and a pair of gardening gloves with you.

### Christmas Lunch

Come and join us for lunch at Cinquanta, 59 High Street, Sidcup on 15<sup>th</sup> December at 1pm to celebrate a very successful gardening year!

The restaurant will be providing it's standard 2 courses for £10 lunch menu. All volunteers are welcome. If you would like to come, please advise by email giving your name and a contact telephone number – email address: [sidcupgardenproject@gmail.com](mailto:sidcupgardenproject@gmail.com)

### Next Meetings

**12<sup>th</sup> November** – rose planting day.

**10<sup>th</sup> December** – a variety of winter tasks including dead heading and leaf gathering.

**14<sup>th</sup> January 2017** – more winter tasks.

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

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