Veolia FIGS (Friends in Green Spaces)



Watford is blessed with a network of amazing volunteers who contribute their time and energy to help maintain the town's parks and green spaces so that they are wonderful places for everyone to visit and enjoy. Veolia's Park Rangers already link up with many of you through the Friends Of groups and clean-ups but we want to do more to support everyone volunteering in our green spaces and promote the work you're doing.

How can we help you?

- We can arrange for the collection of rubbish after clear-ups.
- We can lend community clean-up kits and tools.
- We can offer support and advice.
- We can arrange for the use of meeting spaces at the new Cassiobury Hub and at Cheslyn House.
- We'd be particularly keen to assist anyone wanting to establish a new Friends Of group in any parks not already represented.

We also have a small fund of £1500 to help with your projects in parks and we'd welcome any bids now for an allocation of this. We're not specifying a limit but we'd like to spread it around the borough as much as possible. You could use this money for tools, bulbs, tree whips, supplies or specific projects or even to maintain your team's critical tea and biscuits supplies. To apply for funds or help with any of the above simply fill in the attached form and return it by email or to one of us directly.

The three Park Rangers are Ben, Ivan and Rob. If you haven't met us already we'd be happy to meet you in your park or to come along to any of your meetings, AGMs etc. to say hello, talk about what we do and to introduce ourselves to your group.

Your two points of contact for any queries are Head Ranger Ben Howard and Horticultural Development Manager John Priestley. Both can be contacted through the Veolia contact centre on 020 3567 6900 or by email: <u>ben.howard@veolia.com</u> and john.priestley@veolia.com.









Please tell us what you require Contact name: Phone number: Email: Name of the group (if applicable): Please describe in a few words what we can assist you with (e.g. funding, equipment, help with setting up a new 'Friends of' group)

Please return this form by email to <u>ben.howard@veolia.com</u> or <u>john.priestley@veolia.com</u>, hand it in to one of the Rangers or post to John Priestley, Wiggenhall Depot, Wiggenhall Road, Watford, WD18 0FB



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