September Volunteer Meeting

Recap

- Received more response online through our promo work
- £400 to put notices up at the common (?) Sarah offering to donate to FOHC when bank account is up
- Meadow: One more patch to be mowed and raked away. Hoping for more volunteers over time. The council plants pretty flowers that are temporary and annual. Aim is to create something self-seeding and self-sufficient. New seeds are coming – might need volunteers to sow them in October. We can borrow tools from Steve. Seed sowing is a popular volunteer activity, could maybe ask Steve for volunteers.

Action Points from Last meeting

- <u>Volunteer Training</u>: It's a whole day thing!
- Welfare pack volunteer needed to create/maintain this
- <u>Bishopston Matters</u> we have a feature there this month!
- Look into BS9 Newsletter too (Val to find contact)
- Need volunteer to write the next feature
- <u>Bench Audit</u>: To be completed in October. Delegate some bench cleaning to the scouts!
- <u>Monthly Market</u>: (Leave for now until we're more established)
- <u>History Walk</u>: Check Andy's availability (7/8th October? Or later) Half term is Fri 20th onwards.
 (24.09.23: Confirmed now for 22nd October!)
- <u>Tesco blue tokens</u>? (Seekan to look into this)
- Noticeboard update: Need to wait for bank details

Upcoming + Future Events

- October: <u>Daffodil bulbs</u> arriving late September/early October, Maybe Sat 14th October?
 Depends on whether the ground is ready. Concentrating planting on soft ground the bank?
- <u>Next Litter pick:</u> Sat 30th September (24.09.23: unfortunately, we will have to cancel for this month)
- <u>History Walk (tbc in Sep/Oct)</u>
- <u>Pond:</u> Big job that takes multiple sessions (whole of November) but led by different groups. Scouts, Steve volunteers, etc. Val to get in touch with Pond People
- Dead tree at the bottom of the Common TreeBristol are asking for sponsorship to replace (Sarah interested)
- Rare cat-mint on the green space by Wellington Hill Lucy, Val, (FOHC) Dylan (BS7 Wildlife) and Caroline, Andy and Rosie (Council) met to discuss 22.09.23. Long term solutions are needed with cutting the green spaces – Council members to discuss feasibility and get back to us. Short term solution is adding a small fence and sign – FOHC to be responsible for these and reporting when damaged/missing to Council.