



Friends of Horfield Common

Volunteer Meeting
22nd July 2023

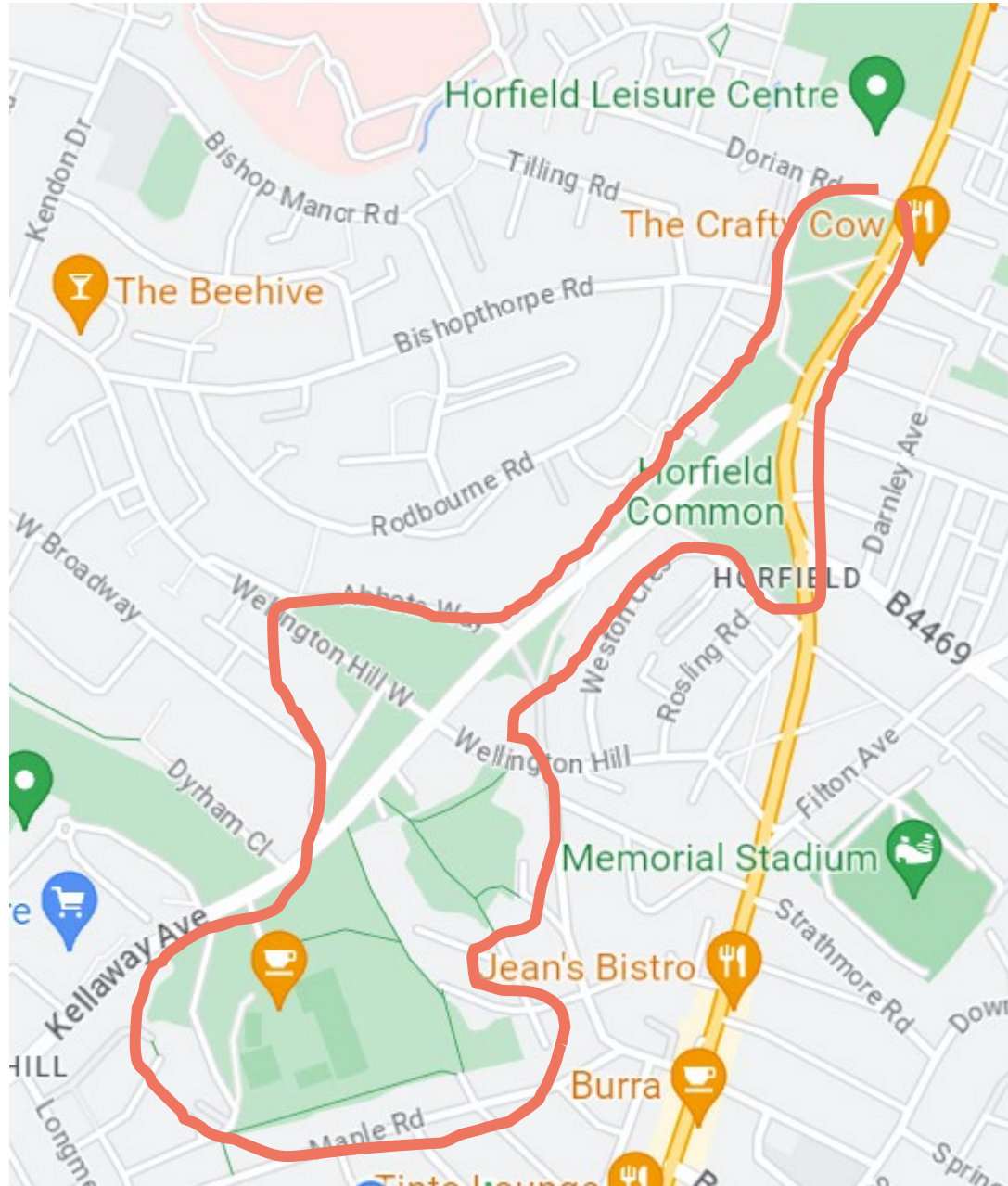


Agenda

1. Welcome!
2. History of Horfield
Common and FOHC
3. Organising events and
volunteer roles
4. Existing/upcoming events
5. Open discussion!

History of the Common and FOHC





Horfield Common

- **Green spaces** (maintained grass, wild grass, orchard, meadows, flowers)
- **Playgrounds** (main Common and Bishopthorpe Playground)
- **Wildlife pond** (main Common)
- **Children's bug hotel/garden** (main Common)
- **Benches/bins** (across all sites)

Organising events and volunteer roles

Contact for issues

Provides guidance/ resources/
insurance/ training

Plans/events must be
checked and approved

Bristol City
Council -
Parks

Also working with:

- Bristol Parks Forum
- Other Friends Groups
- Local volunteer groups

Resources for litter pick

The Ardagh
Community
Trust

**Friends of
Horfield
Common**

Bristol
Waste

Contact for
waste issues
(bins etc)

Sister organisation!

Support with
organisation/
promotion/
resources/
advice

Working with the Council (Bristol Parks)

Email our Council contact with rough plans for event

Contact advises - gives us tips and the go-ahead!
(Or alternative plans)

These steps require Bristol Parks **Health and Safety Training**.

Training will allow you to submit event forms, and to lead/support practical events.

Necessary forms (Health and Safety, and Risk Assessment) are completed, along with list of any equipment/resources we'd need

Sent to contact at least 2 weeks before event and arrange equipment to be dropped off

We need more trained volunteers to run more regular events!

Arrange equipment to be collected after event

Friday 8th September at the Greenway Centre (BS10 5PY)
10am - 2.45pm

Volunteer roles

Most importantly: **attending events!**
(even just to have a chat!)

General FOHC

- Kicking off ideas for events/plans for the Common
- Practical work around the Common
- Admin Facebook page
- Meeting other groups for collaboration

Trained volunteers

- Submission of forms
- Leading/supporting events
- Liaising with Council/Bristol Waste about events

Admin

- Checking FOHC email
- Organising FOHC meetings
- Contacting Council/Bristol Waste about issues

Promotion

- Designing posters/materials
- Writing and sending newsletter
- Updating website/Facebook
- Taking photos of events

**No matter your skills,
time or energy, there is
something for you!**

Please do let us know
how to make volunteering
comfortable for you

Existing/ upcoming events

Monthly litter pick

The last Saturday of every month,
10am-12pm
(29th July)

Bat walk

In collaboration with BS6 Wildlife,
TBC (August/September)

Possible events:

Summer

- Bench work
- Path maintenance
- Litter/dog waste bags
- Nature/community walks

Autumn

- Bug hotel area
- Grass and meadows
- Orchard
- Play areas

Winter

- Renewing the Wildlife Pond
(January)
- Hedge-laying
- Tree/shrub planting

- Summer events
- Regular practical work sessions
- Things that don't require being a Trained Volunteer
- Next FOHC meeting



**Open
discussion!**



Stay in
touch!



All events will be posted on the **green**
'Horfield Common' sign outside The Ardagh

Email

fohorfieldcommon@gmail.com

Website (info and links to FOHC sign up)

fohorfieldcommon.weebly.com

Facebook

['Friends of Horfield Common' group](#)