

FRIENDS OF BARNFIELD SANDBEDS CHAIRMAN'S ANNUAL REPORT 2021

We have to travel back to October 2019 to begin this report.

At the AGM we welcomed the Committee members for another year:-

Chairman - Marion

Secretary & Financial Secretary - Phil

Joyce

Glen

Lynn.

November 2019 saw us erecting a new Bug Hotel by the Horsebrook Lane entrance made by Glen. Also the bird boxes were cleaned and made ready for winter and the Survey was put on the website.

December was the final planning of the Wild Animal Plaques before Charlotte Wiley and David Christison painted them. We chose 16 different designs and Claire Warburton fired them in her kiln.

2020

January - Phil & I attended the Veolia Awards and we spent the money on a new strummer. We welcomed 5 new D of E students and their parents who came along to help.

February - we had a Working Party to complete the new Bug Hotel.

2021

July - we held a Committee Meeting to discuss the return the General Meetings and to catch up with all the site maintenance we had continued during the Pandemic.

September- the meeting was held in Brewood Parish Council Offices.

We were pleased to announce all 17 Wildlife Plaques had been erected around the site.

The three Bug Hotels were all now complete.

All the bulbs and plants were ordered & received from Shiptons and were all now planted with the help of our 3 D of E students - Ali, Hayden and Owen.

Paula Whitfield planted up a Memorial site for her husband David with the help of CARE - a special needs group from Cannock.

Joyce and I catalogued the wild flower plants growing in the Sandbeds during two weeks in August and the list was put on our website.

I would like to thank my loyal Committee for their help and support during the Pandemic. With their involvement in the Sandbeds we were able to open it for the use of all the local people when it was allowed during Lockdown. It was a beautiful and safe oasis in their time of need.

Thank you.

Marion.