

Radford Semele Parish Council Environment report – October 2024

Playing field wildflower meadow & hedge

Members of FoRGE will scarify the meadow area and sow yellow rattle and some extra wildflower seeds during November. It's hoped that this will help to reduce the excess grass for next year's flowers.

The hedge will be trimmed back a little in the winter to keep the plants strong and healthy.

Maintenance of hedges in The Valley & Valley Road

WCC trimmed back the verges in the Valley and Valley Road on 18th October.

I have reported the overgrown hedge leading down to the Valley on Lewis Road.

Update on the situation with trimming back the hedges in The Valley and Valley Rd will be provided at the meeting.

Canal Access project

Extremely positive news - the reworked ramp design has been approved by Sustrans, which means that CRT can now submit the planning application.

Town & Parish Council Reference Group meeting

Taking place on 12th November. No subject has been confirmed yet.

Wet footpath problem on path leading to Southam Rd

Update to be provided at the meeting.

Telephone Box restoration project

The Risk Assessment is now complete and a work schedule is in the process of being created in order to coordinate all the project volunteers. Once this is in place we can approach the occupants of the properties near to the box to discuss optimum days and times for us to work. Hopefully we can start work in November.

FoRGE activities

Footpath Group

Met up on 14th: trimmed excess vegetation from the jitty (footpath between Offchurch Lane and Southam Road) and the footpath that runs from Radford Rd along the back of Lythall Close and Overtons Close. The footpath that was re-established earlier this year has now settled and has become the main pathway for walkers.

Recent bus survey

Judy Steele had a meeting with Cllr Redford to discuss the feedback from FoRGE's recent survey on what people think about the bus service in Radford. Further update at the meeting.

FoRGE nature talks/activities

Members of the group are in discussion with Radford Primary School and The Scouts to assist in delivering talks and activities for the children around nature and the environment.

Solar Farm proposal

FoRGE has shared on social media Matt Western's recommendations on formally responding to the developer's planning application.

Cllr Josie Sanderson