

An environment worth keeping

Another successful litter pick took place on Saturday 14 January. Fortunately the amount of litter collected reduces with each litter pick, but we still continue to collect a large amount of fly-tipping and garden waste.

Opposite is the team who cleared Aspen Spring Wood during the November event. The wood is now clear of undergrowth making the wood more accessible. The group of regular helpers would be grateful for any additional volunteers, so if you can spare the time, please come and join us at our next event on Saturday 17 March 2012.

As well as helping keep the area clean it is also a social occasion as we finish by meeting at the Bread and Butter Café for a drink.



Waitrose

Community Matters Token Scheme

If you shop at Waitrose, Green Street Green, you will know that with your receipt you receive a green token to place in boxes to raise funds for good causes. Waitrose then makes a donation to each organisation according to the number of tokens in their box at the end of the month.

Friends of Warren Road Greenspace Group has been allocated one of these boxes for the month of March 2012, so we ask that you consider your local group when placing your token. We hope for a good result!

Your Greenspace team

Chair: **Steve Chambers**

Vice-Chair: **Simon Beswetherick**

Treasurer: **Ian Cochrane**

Secretary: **Brian Willson**

Members: **Chris Davies** and **Tina Bradshaw**

Chairman of the Friends Forum: **Mike Smart**

You can contact the Greenspace team by e-mail at: warrenroad.greenspace@gmail.com or visit our new website:

www.warrenroadgreenspace.weebly.com

Dates for your diary

Litter picks for 2012

Saturday 17 March

Saturday 19 May

Saturday 14 July

Saturday 15 September

Saturday 17 November

Join us on the green, Warren Road, opposite Cloonmore Avenue at 10am. Equipment provided.

Bromley Council services

You may be interested to know that an Orpington resident has been prosecuted for dumping building materials within the wooded part of Warren Road. The offender was ordered to pay fines and costs totalling £340. Councillor Colin Smith, Executive Councillor for Environment said "It is always regrettable having to resort to prosecution to reinforce this message, but the council simply will not tolerate such anti-social behaviour, and our thanks go to this witness for coming forward. I would urge residents to report dumped rubbish to us, particularly if they witness the offence being committed. Fly-tipping is illegal, spoils the environment and removed at great expense to the taxpayer. Every fly-tipping incident is investigated and we will continue to prosecute when we have sufficient evidence."

The witness who helped secure this conviction was awarded £500 for helping bring the case to a successful conclusion. The witness has generously donated the award to Friends of Warren Road Greenspace, for which we are extremely grateful.



Warren Road Snow Friends supplied with shovels and salt by Bromley Council cleared pathways and roads during the latest snowfall.

Working in partnership with:



A Bromley Council Park Ranger chipping the undergrowth cleared from Aspen Spring Wood during the November event.

Our new website

The group now has its own website www.warrenroadgreenspace.weebly.com where you will find details of our work and achievements so far, including historical facts about Warren Road and the surrounding area.

If you have any additional information about the area you would like added then please do contact us. We hope you will find your visit to the website interesting.

Fenced off areas in Warren Road

A couple of residents have asked why certain areas in the woodland in the centre of Warren are fenced off?

Within the last 18 months Bromley Council planted 'whips' (small trees) to replace the old trees that had been removed. The whips will eventually grow maintaining the wooded area. The protective fencing around the new trees will be removed when the trees are growing strongly, but this may not be for some time.

If you would like to become a friend of Warren Road Greenspace visit our website, contact us by e-mail or join us at the next litter pick on **Saturday 17 March**