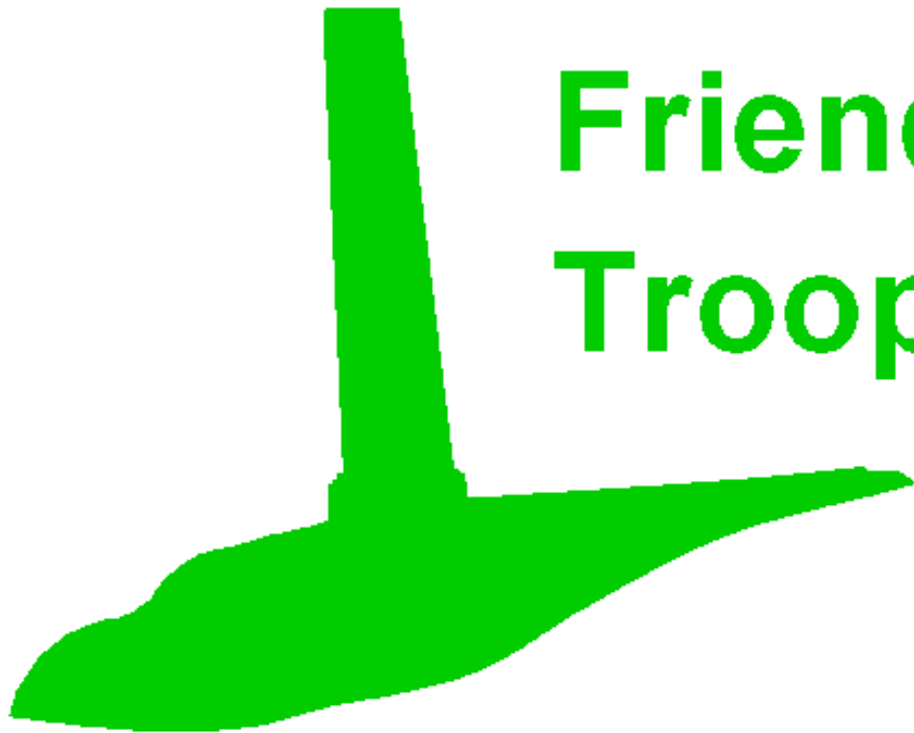


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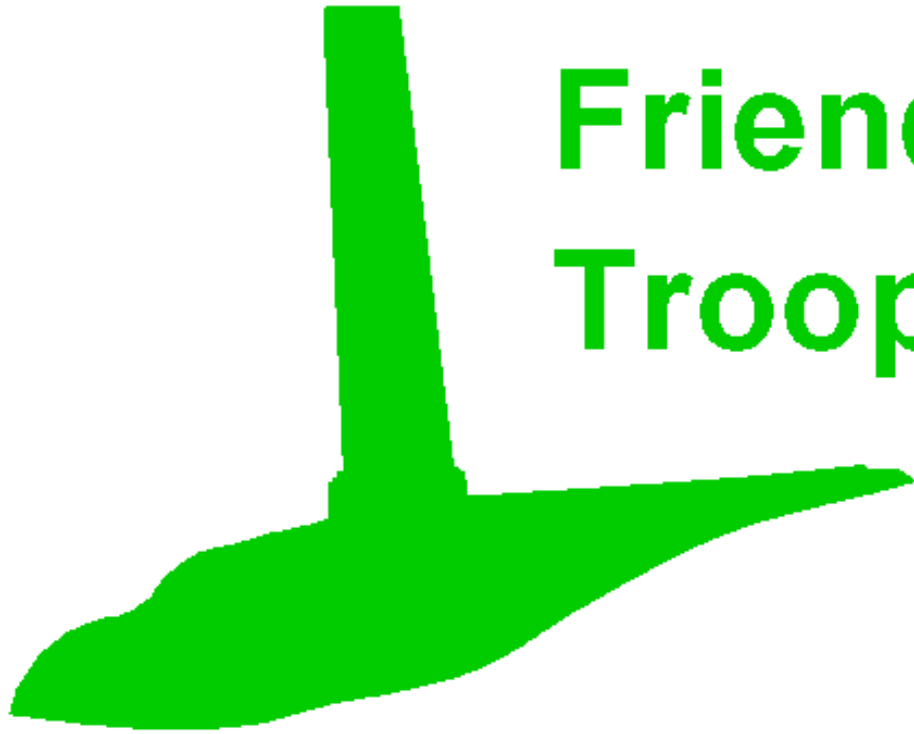
A very special place!



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Welcome



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Review of the Year - 2011

March 2011



April 2011



August 2011



November 2011



Stepping Forward



CommunitySpaces



Mr Rob Acton-Campbell
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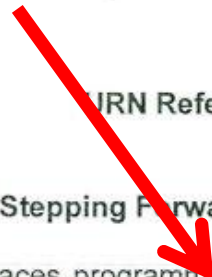
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Dear Rob

OFFER OF DELIVERY GRANT – Troopers Hill - Stepping Forward

Congratulations! On behalf of the Community Spaces programme I am pleased to offer **Friends of Troopers Hill** a delivery grant of up to a maximum of **£30,504.89** (the “grant”). This comprises £29,510.15 capital and £994.74 revenue. This grant is specifically for the purpose of **Troopers Hill - Stepping Forward**, the details of which are set out in Schedule 1 of this letter and outlined in your Stage 2 application form. We offer you the grant on the terms of this letter so please read it carefully.

£30,504.89



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EVENING POST

9

24 hours

Bid to create hilly nature reserve

Grant helps Troopers' friends march on with plans

NEIGHBOURS of a Bristol nature reserve have succeeded in acquiring a grant of more than £30,000 to improve it.

Friends of Troopers' Hill in St George enlisted the help and ideas of residents living near the hilly nature reserve by sending out questionnaires to 2,000 homes to ask how people would like to see it improved.

It was a condition of the £30,504.89 grant the group has just secured that members must have public support to go ahead with their plans.

The group has now been notified that it has been successful in its application to the Big Lottery through the Community Spaces Programme.

The project, named Stepping Forward, aims to improve access to Troopers Hill and encouraging visits from groups in the community such as Walking for Health.

The money will go towards improving existing steps and paths, making the reserve easier to reach by reducing mud on Troopers' Hill Field and to providing some information about the woodland paths to publicise their existence.

Rob Acton-Campbell, a member of the Friends' committee, put together the Lottery bid.

He said: "It's been a year of fant-



● From left, Rob Acton-Campbell, Bryan Tozer, Susan Acton-Campbell, Judith Tozer and Kit Elliott on Troopers' Hill

Picture: Dan Regan

astic effort for Friends of Troopers' Hill volunteers supporting the application process.

"Thank you to everyone who helped, including volunteers who delivered 2,000 questionnaires locally and nearly 500 people who replied to our survey. This proved the high level of support from local people for this project."

Work on the improvements will

start next year. Local children and adults will work with a wood sculptor to create carvings to mark and reflect the natural feel of an existing woodland trail.

This grant brings the total amount raised by the Friends since 2003 to more than £80,000. For more details about how the grant will be used, visit www.troopers-hill.org.uk/stepping-forward

Stepping Forward

Troopers Hill Stepping Forward

Project Description from Stage 2 Application

Introduction

The aim of the project is to give a better quality experience to all visitors to Troopers Hill Local Nature Reserve (LNR) while maintaining the appearance and feel of a wild oasis in the urban environment of east Bristol and protecting this important wildlife habitat.

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- Improvement works to flights of steps on the LNR;
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- A launch event to involve as many members of the community as possible.

Stepping Forward



Stepping Forward



Consultation

GREAT NEWS!



Troopers Hill can have over **£30,000** of
BIG LOTTERY FUNDING to

Improve Access to Troopers Hill



BUT
ONLY IF

we can prove that
YOU, local people want this work done

PLEASE

← read the plans,
fill in the questionnaire →
sign our supporters' list,
send in a letter of support

NO PROOF OF SUPPORT = NO MONEY

*More information and an online questionnaire at
www.troopers-hill.org.uk/steppingforward*

Consultation



Consultation



Essex Skipper



Photo by Ian Draycott, Troopers Hill LNR 1st July 2011



Now we have to get the work done!!!

Troopers Hill Stepping Forward

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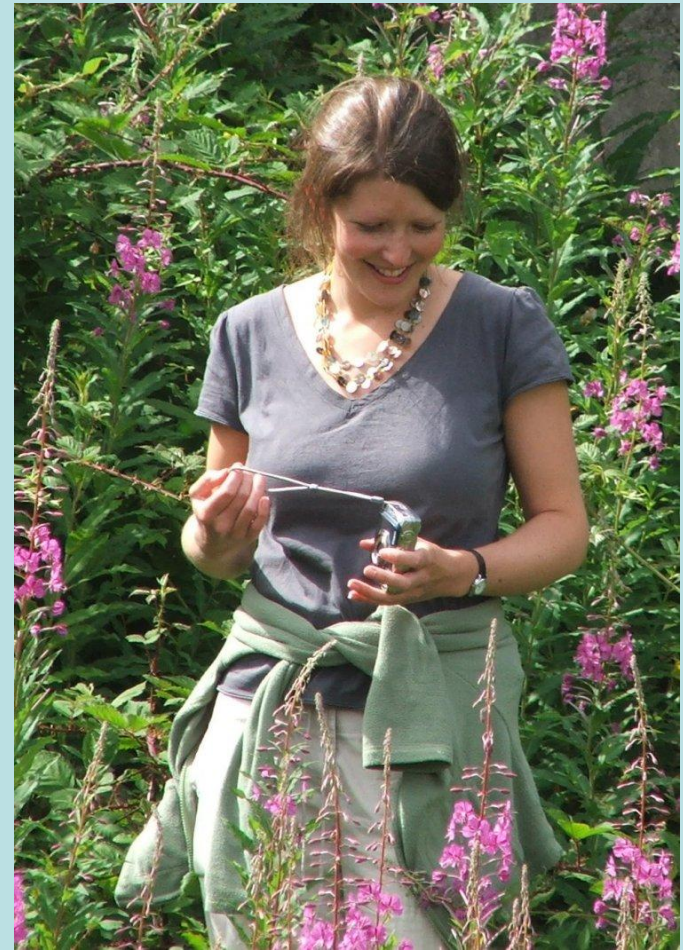
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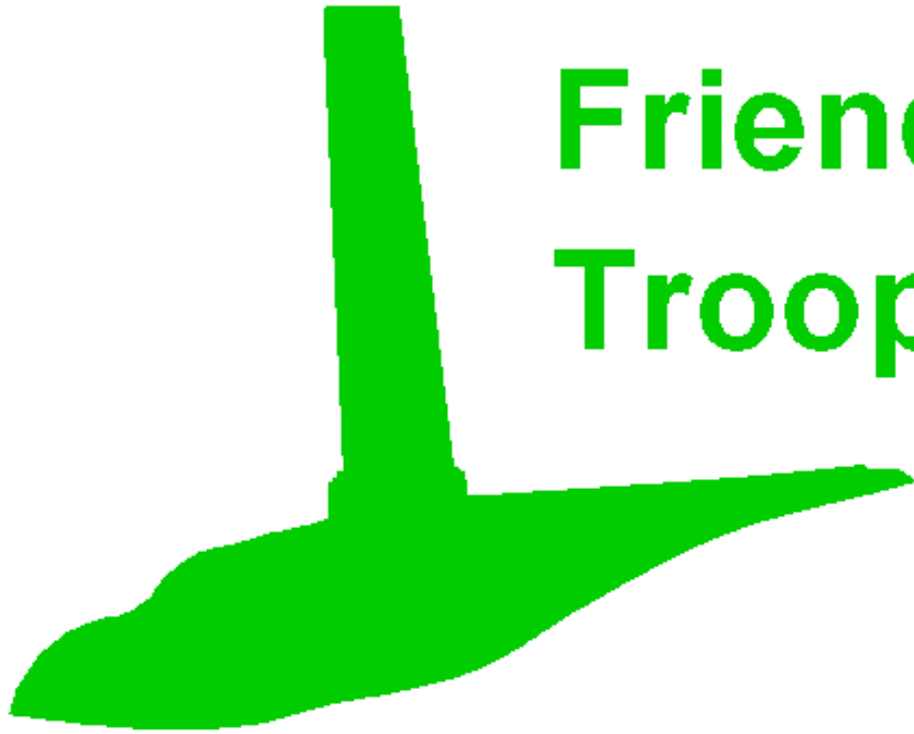
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Then we can celebrate!

- Stepping Forward Celebration
- 20th October 2012
- Official Opening
- Craft Activities
- Walking Storytelling





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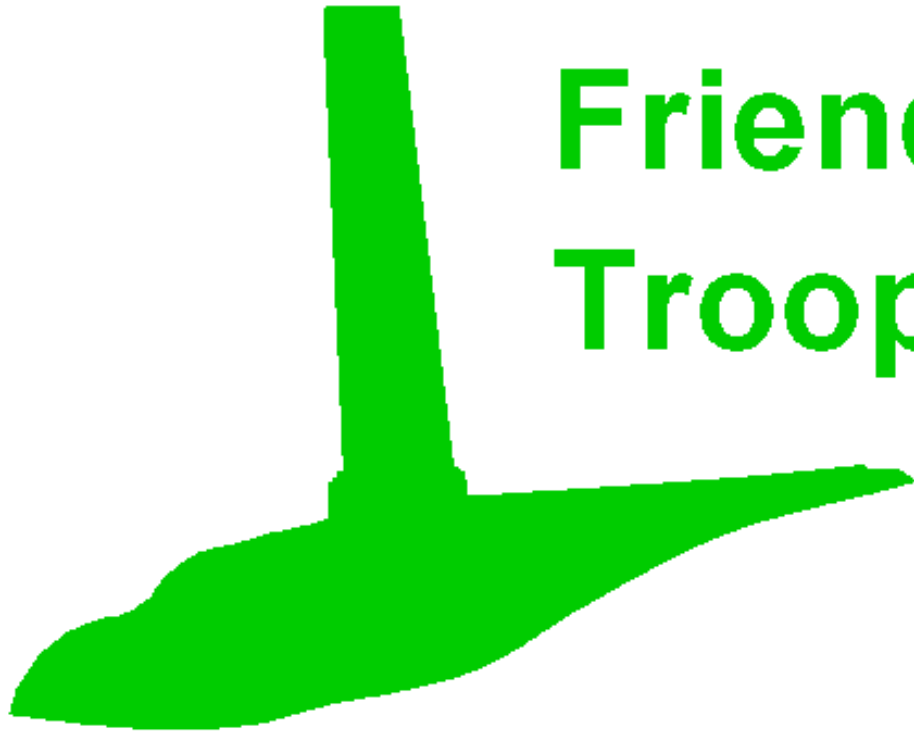
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Summerhill School

Summerhill School Visit Oct 2011

3 Year-3 Classes





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Green Flag



**Troopers Hill Local Nature Reserve
Green Flag Award Winner 2011/12**



**A big thank you to
Jules, Carol, Dave
and all the team.**



Bristol Green Flag Sites 2007

- **Troopers Hill**
- **The Downs**



Bristol Green Flag Sites 2011

- **Troopers Hill**
- **The Downs**
- **Queens Square**
- **Blaise Castle Estate**
- **St Pauls Park**
- **Ashton Court**
- **Netham Park**
- **St Andrews Park**



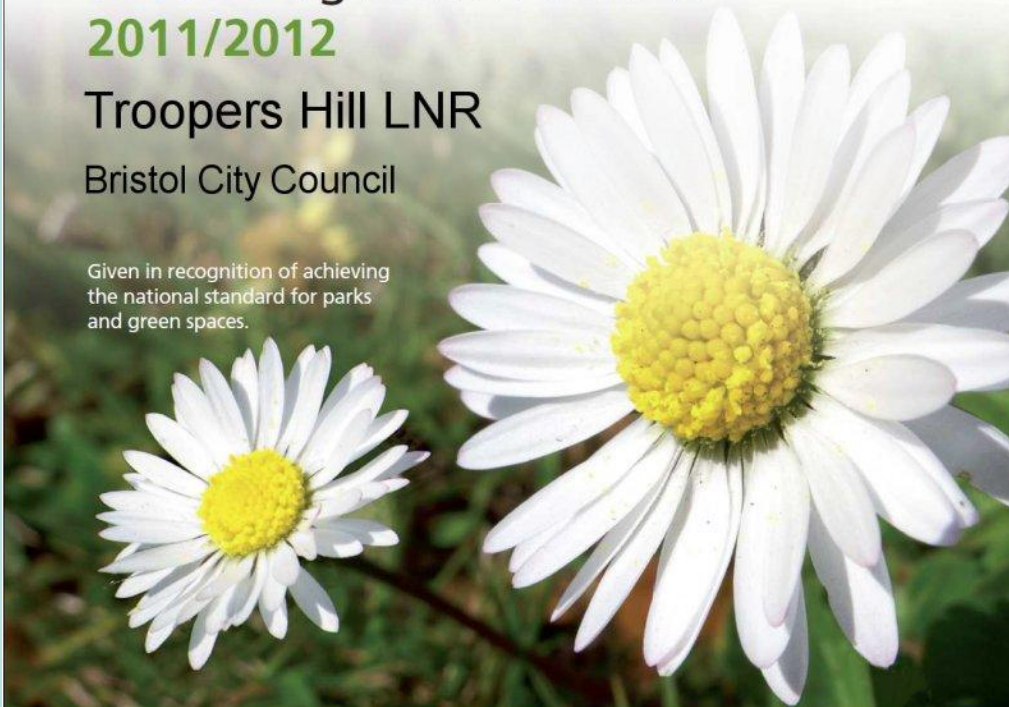
the mark of a quality
park or green space

Green Flag Award Winner 2011/2012

Troopers Hill LNR

Bristol City Council

Given in recognition of achieving
the national standard for parks
and green spaces.



Claire Cooper
Deputy Director
Community Action
Communities and Local Government



GreenSpace

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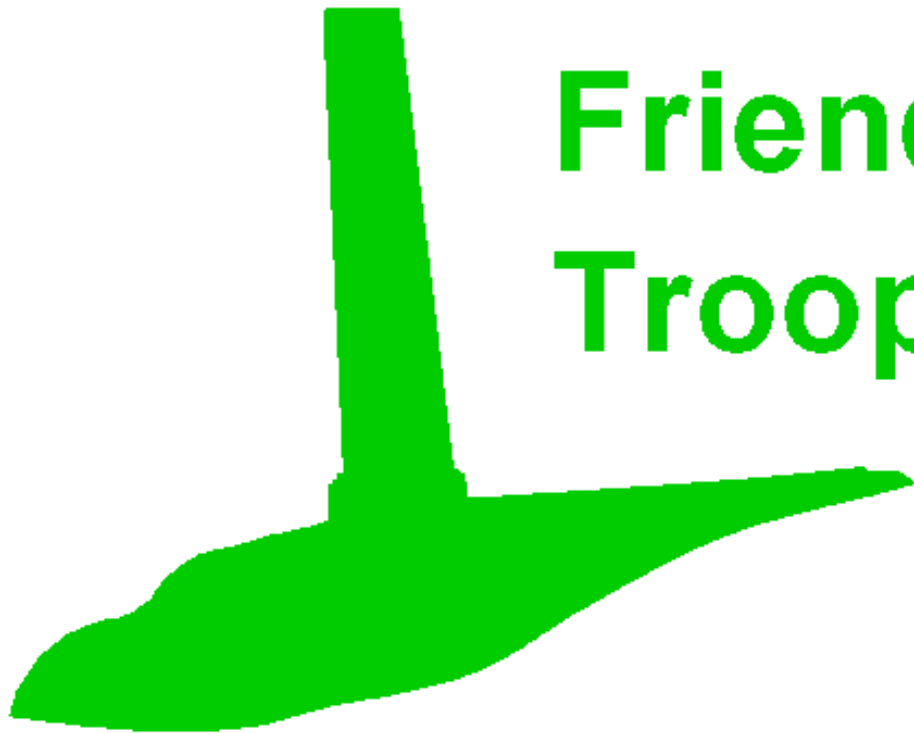


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Flagship
Award
2011/12



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The Royal Horticultural Society and South West in Bloom are proud to present

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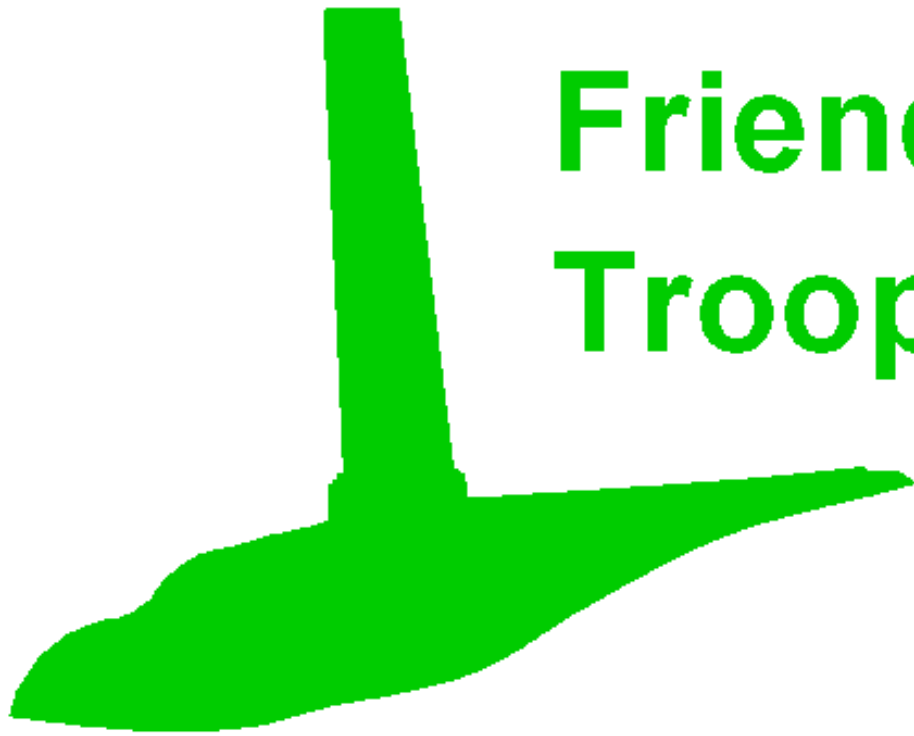


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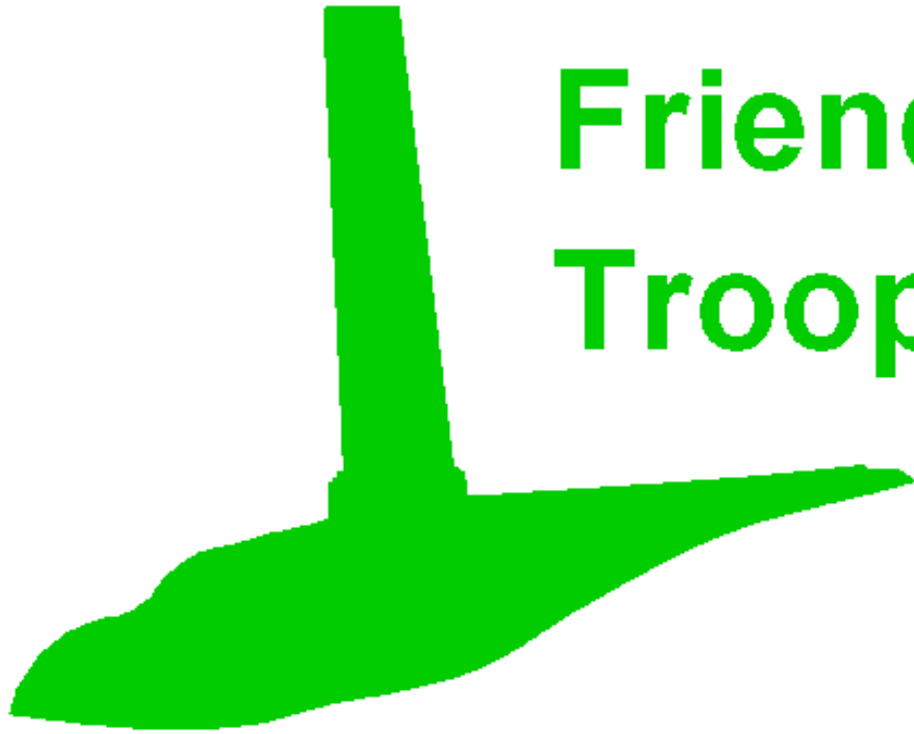
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2011 Events

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Family Fun Picnic



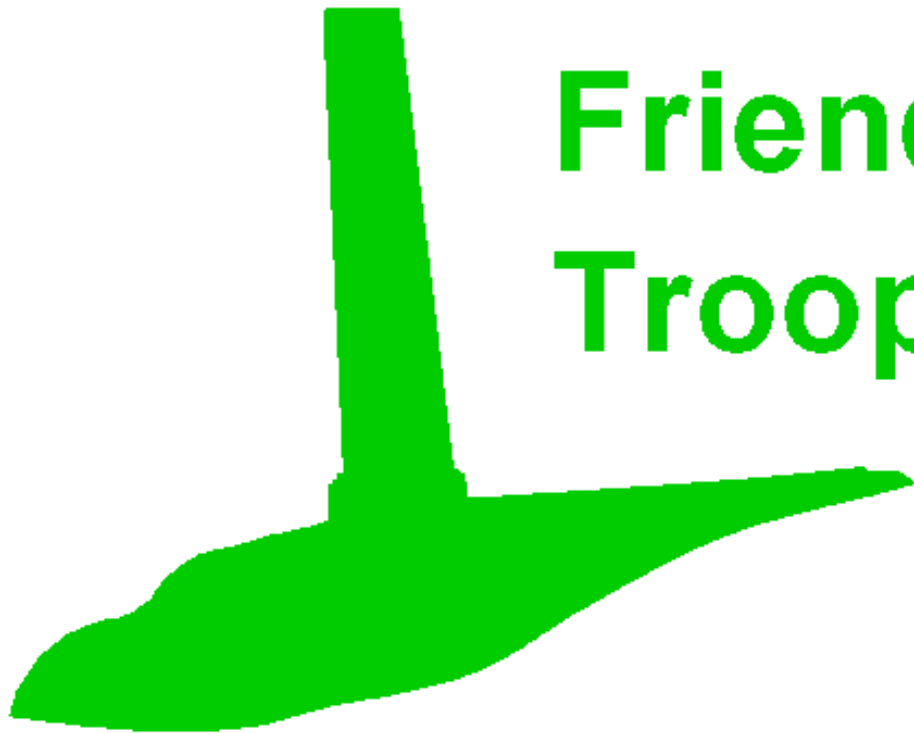
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Forest Club

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St George Strollers

St George Strollers





St George Strollers, a Walking for Health group, founded May 2011

by Clare Willott with support from Friends of Troopers Hill,

funding from Quartet's Active Bristol Fund and

professional support from Bristol City Council's

Sport and Health Development Team





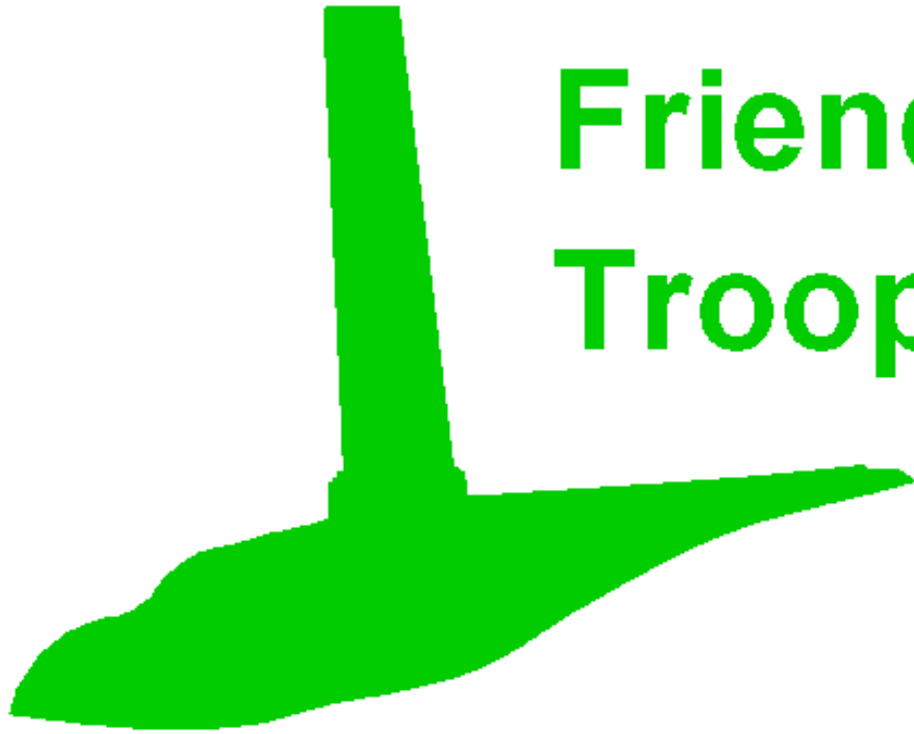
1. Wednesday 11th May - Taster Walk - St George Park and Avon View Cemetery
2. Monday 23rd May - Taster Walk - Magpie Bottom - 1st Walk led by Susan
3. Tuesday 21st June - Solstice Saunter - St George to Eastville Park via Royate Hill
4. Monday 4th July - Willsbridge Wander
5. Wednesday 20th July - Avon Aquatic Amble - St Anne's Board Mills, the Netham and a boat trip funded by the St George Neighbourhood Partnership
6. Thursday 11th August - Troopers Hill - our first evening walk
7. Wednesday 24th August - Wick Golden Valley - 1st Walk led by Clare
8. Monday 12th September - Hanham History
9. Friday 16th September - Bat Detecting
10. Friday 30th September - Partnership Walk - St Anne's Woods, Nightingale Valley
11. Monday 10th October - Cock Rd Ridge - 1st Walk led by Kit
12. Wednesday 19th October - Hengrove Mounds Wild City walk
13. Wednesday 2nd November - St George Park, Avon View Cemetery and walk planning meeting
14. Friday 11th November - Hanham Common and Hencliffe Woods
15. Wednesday 7th December - Harbourside Walk - 1st Walk led by Angela

Photos



St George Strollers





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Bristol Parks

WILD CITY

The logo for 'Wild City' is presented in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The word 'WILD' is positioned on the top line, and 'CITY' is on the bottom line. Each letter is filled with a different nature-themed illustration. The 'W' contains three green leaves. The 'I' features two green leaves. The 'L' depicts a blue bird perched on a branch above a green frog. The 'D' shows a brown fox standing next to a cluster of purple and white flowers. The 'C' in 'CITY' is filled with a stylized city skyline in shades of blue and green. The 'I' in 'CITY' has diagonal blue and green stripes. The 'T' and 'Y' in 'CITY' are solid black.

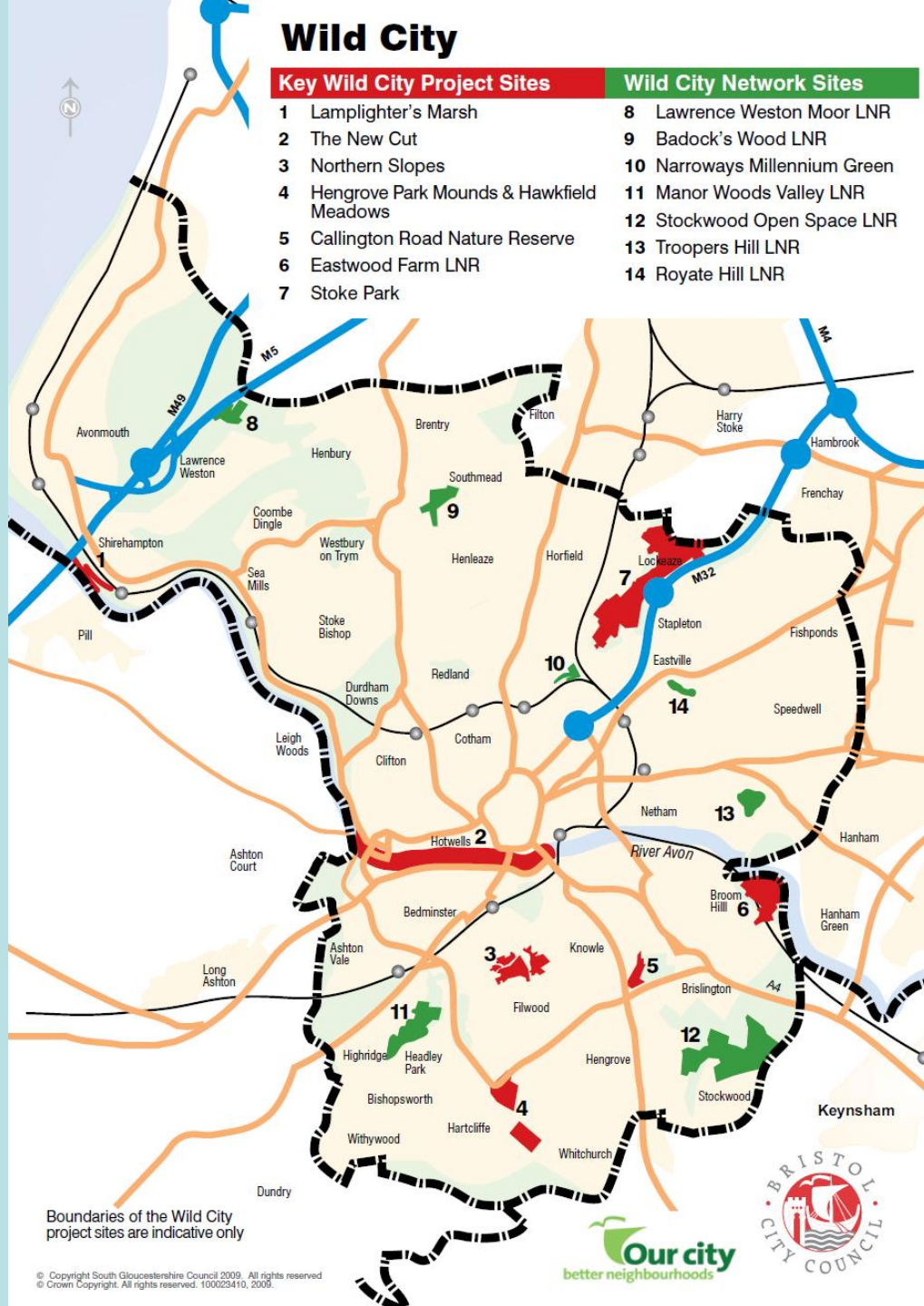
Wild City

Key Wild City Project Sites

- 1 Lamplighter's Marsh
- 2 The New Cut
- 3 Northern Slopes
- 4 Hengrove Park Mounds & Hawkfield Meadows
- 5 Callington Road Nature Reserve
- 6 Eastwood Farm LNR
- 7 Stoke Park

Wild City Network Sites

- 8 Lawrence Weston Moor LNR
- 9 Badock's Wood LNR
- 10 Narrowways Millennium Green
- 11 Manor Woods Valley LNR
- 12 Stockwood Open Space LNR
- 13 Troopers Hill LNR
- 14 Royate Hill LNR



Boundaries of the Wild City project sites are indicative only

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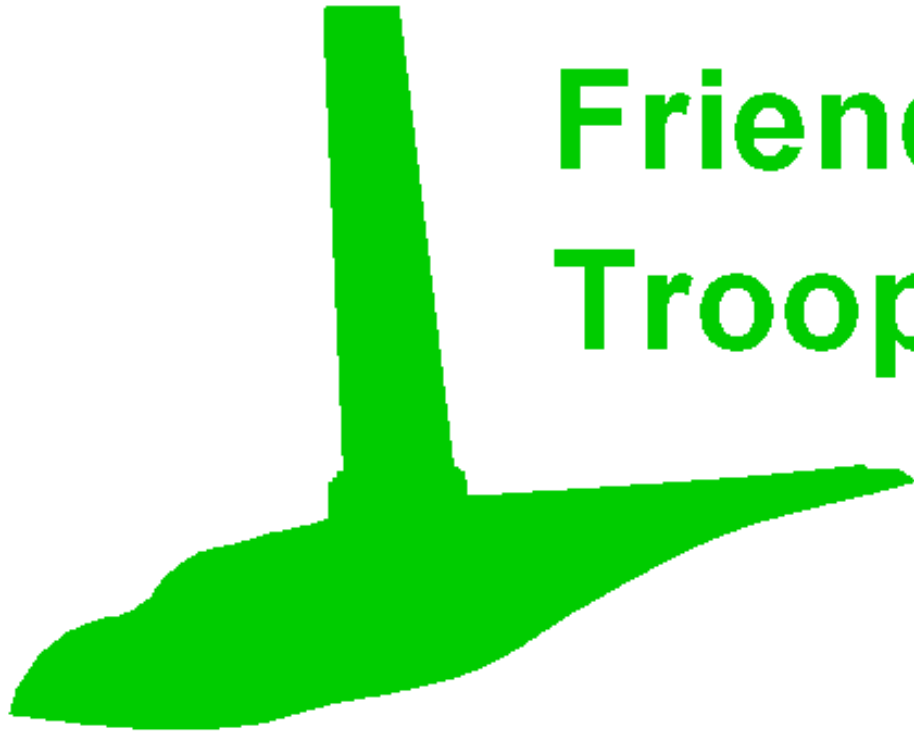
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Denise
James



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Managing Troopers Hill



Bristol Parks A Management Plan for Troopers Hill Nature Reserve

Revised January 2007



PEOPLE
PARKS &
NATURE
Working
together

RIGGS Designation



Regionally Important Geological & Geomorphological Sites



Troopers Hill Officially Designated in April 2010





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11 Compartments

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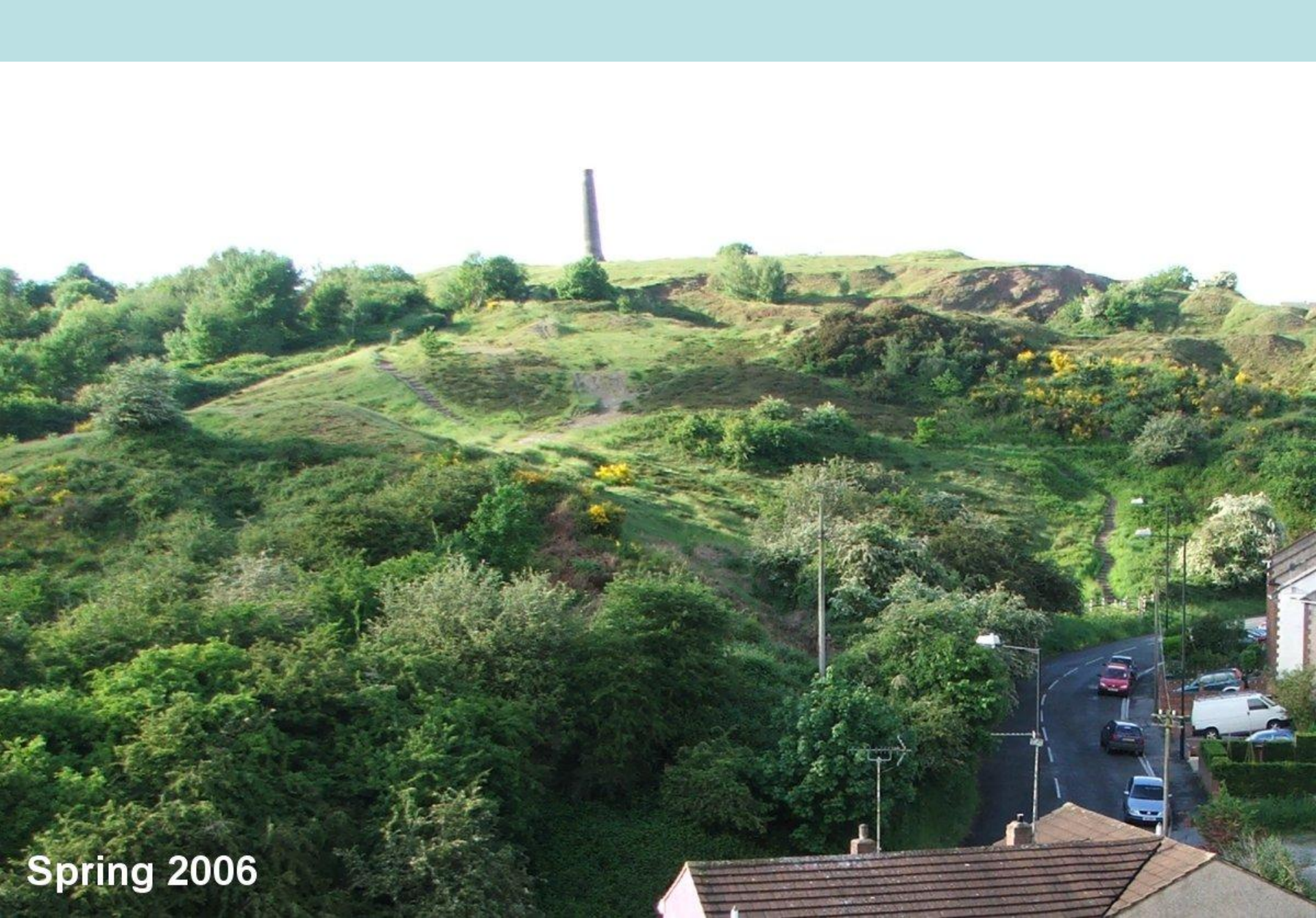


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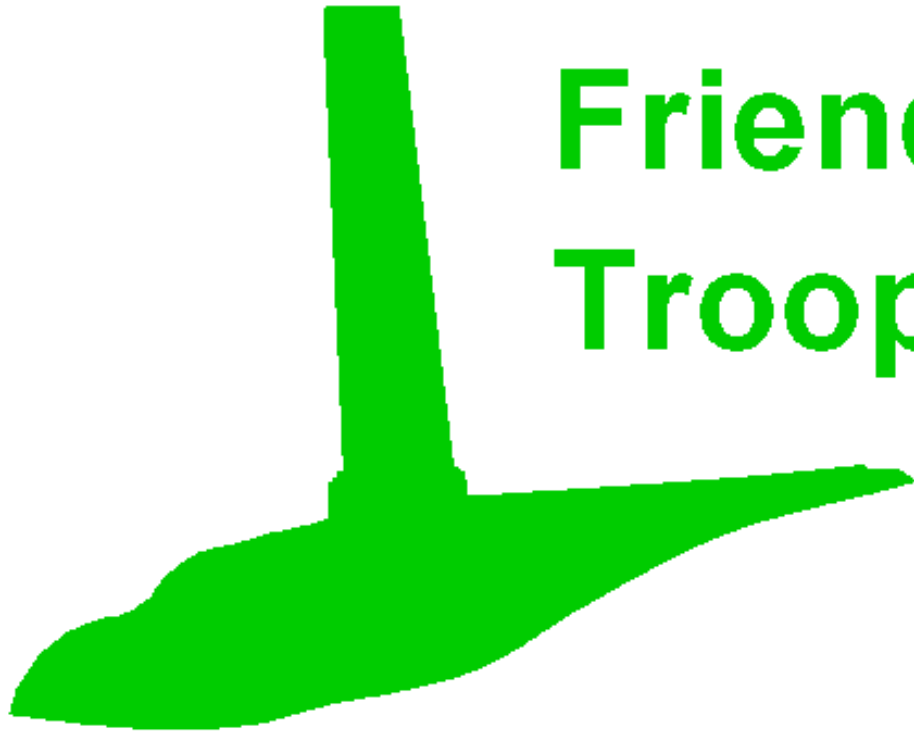
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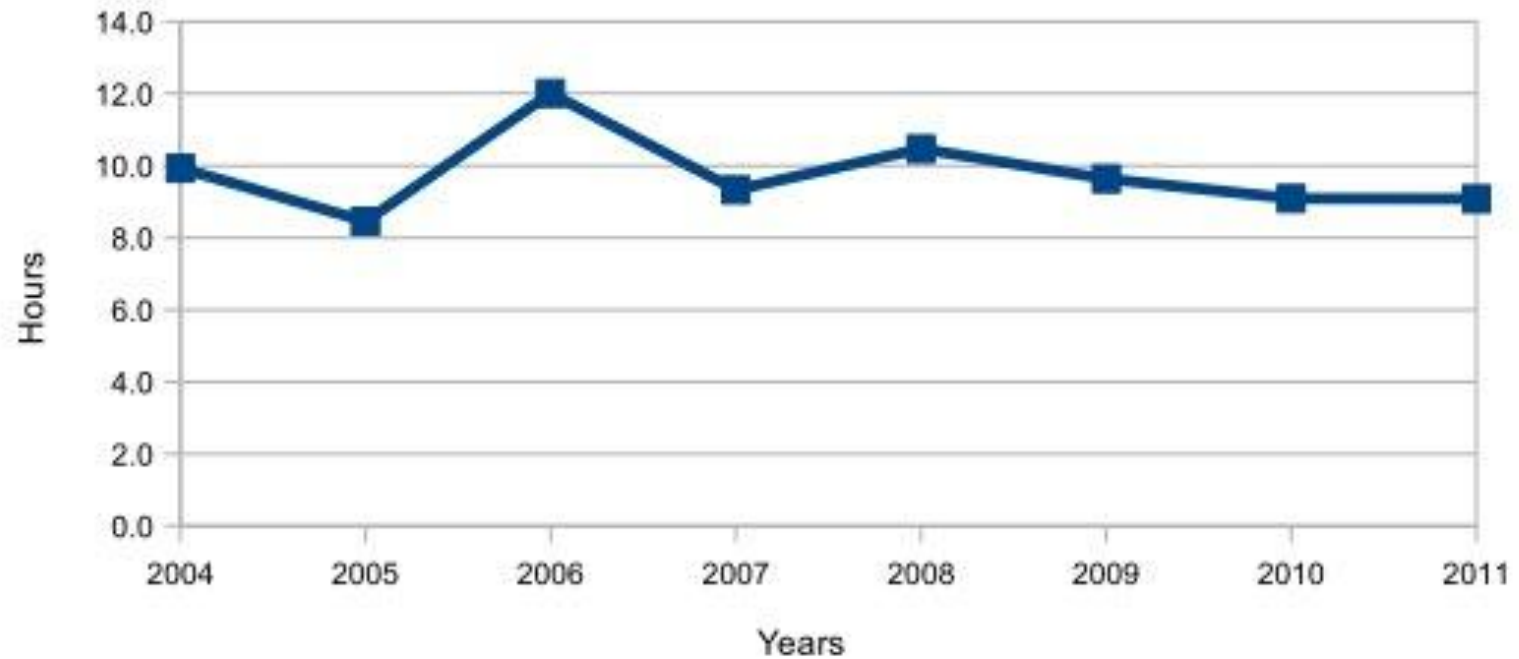
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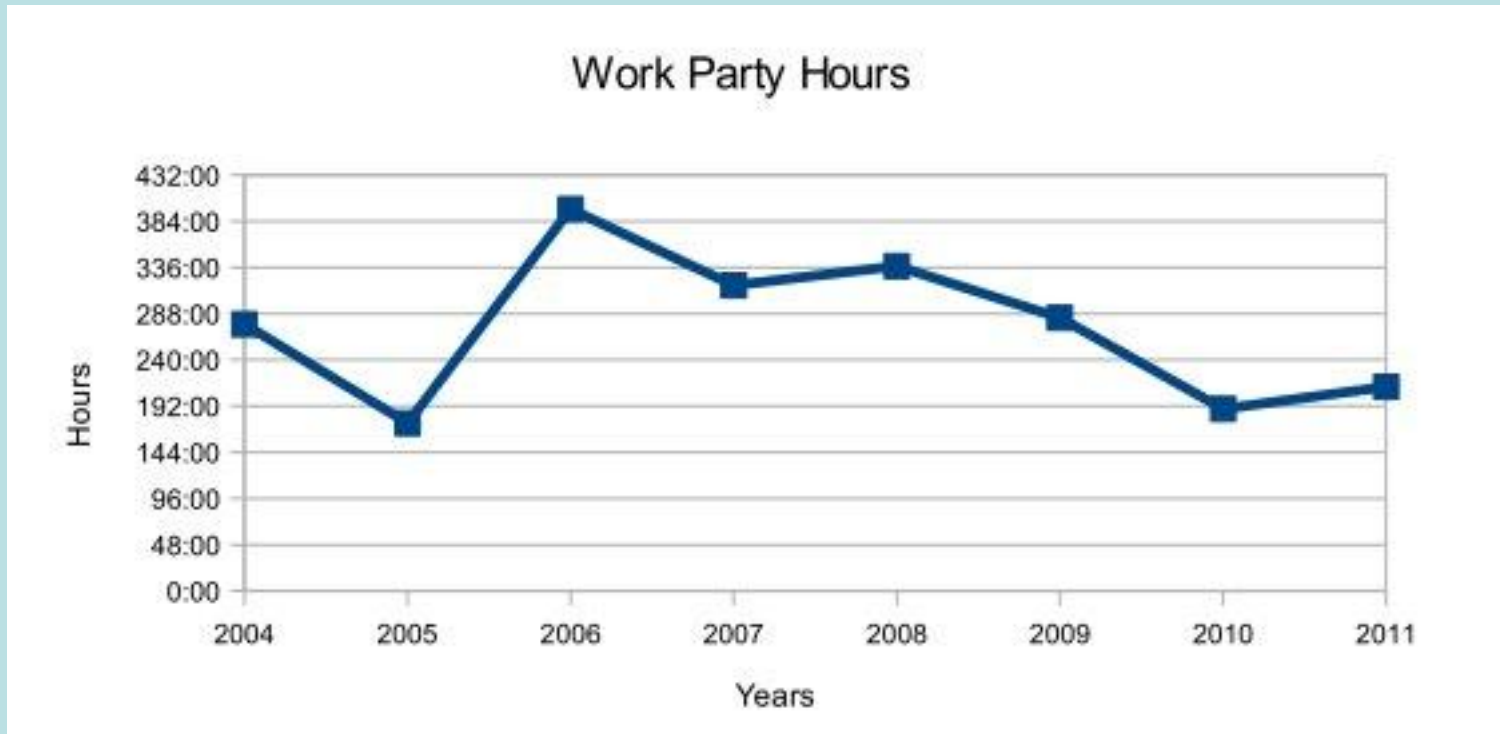


Work Party

Work Party Average Attendance



Work Party Hours



- Total Hours recorded at Work Parties 2003 – 2011
- 2203

Work Party

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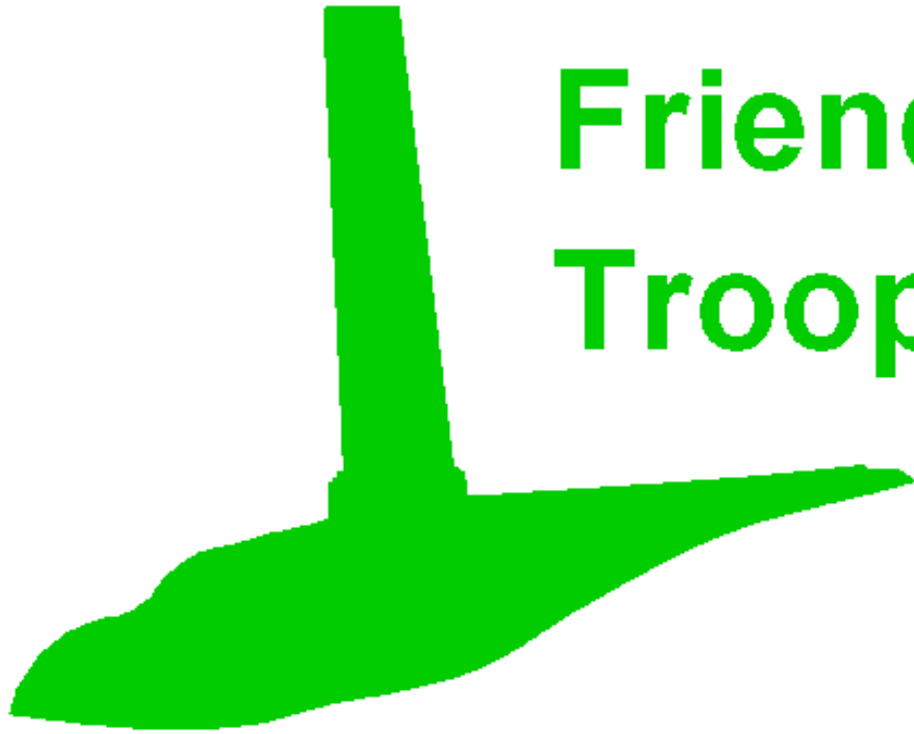
Voluntary Work

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Oscar Bartlett

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Troopers Hill Field

Gillian Dyte



Community Tree Planting Event

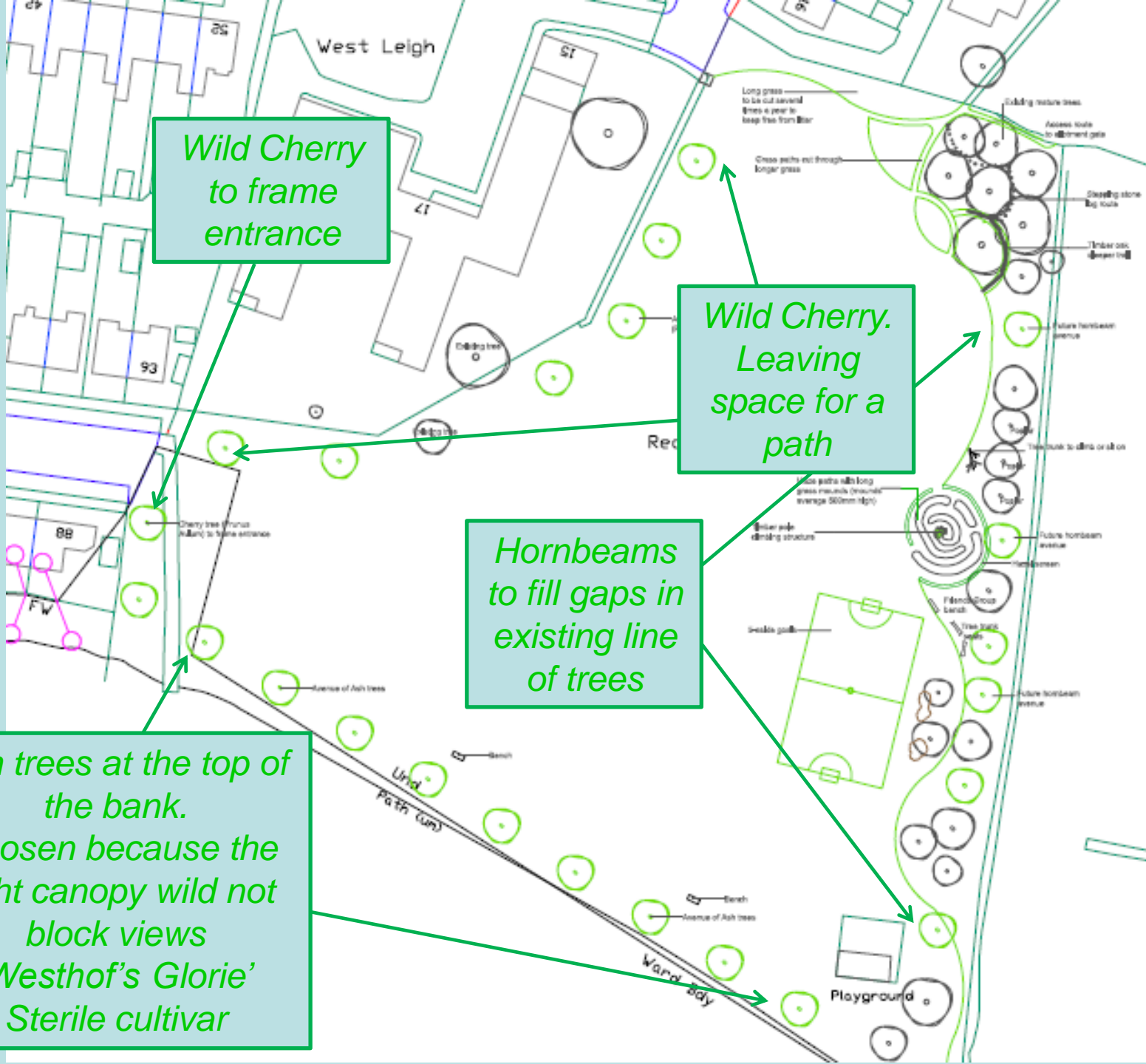


*Wild Cherry
to frame
entrance*

*Wild Cherry.
Leaving
space for a
path*

*Hornbeams
to fill gaps in
existing line
of trees*

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'Westhof's Glorie'
Sterile cultivar*

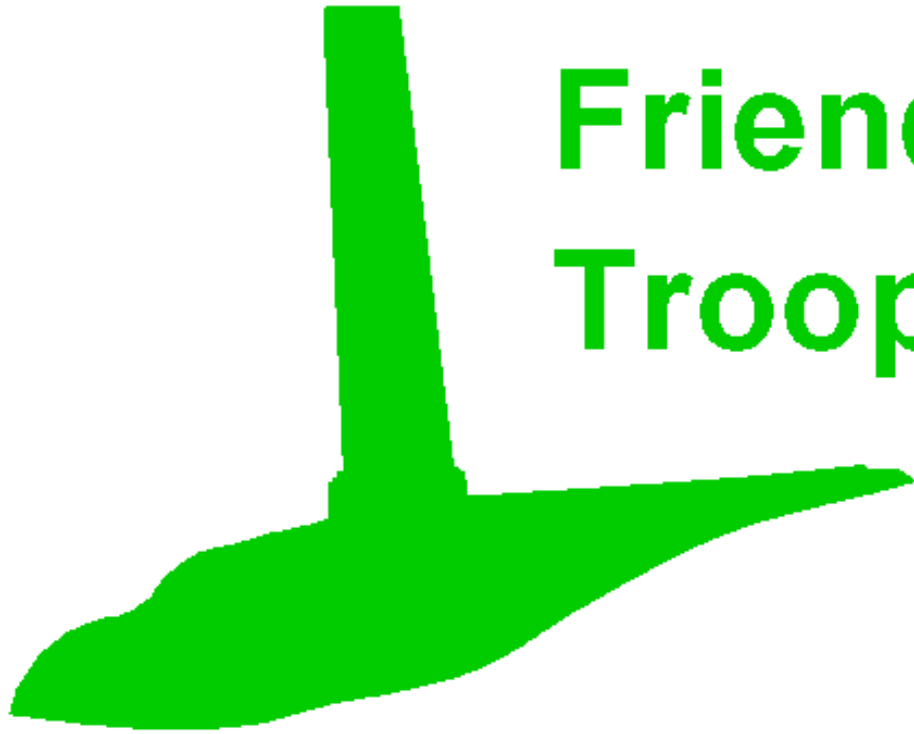


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Green Volunteers Bristol





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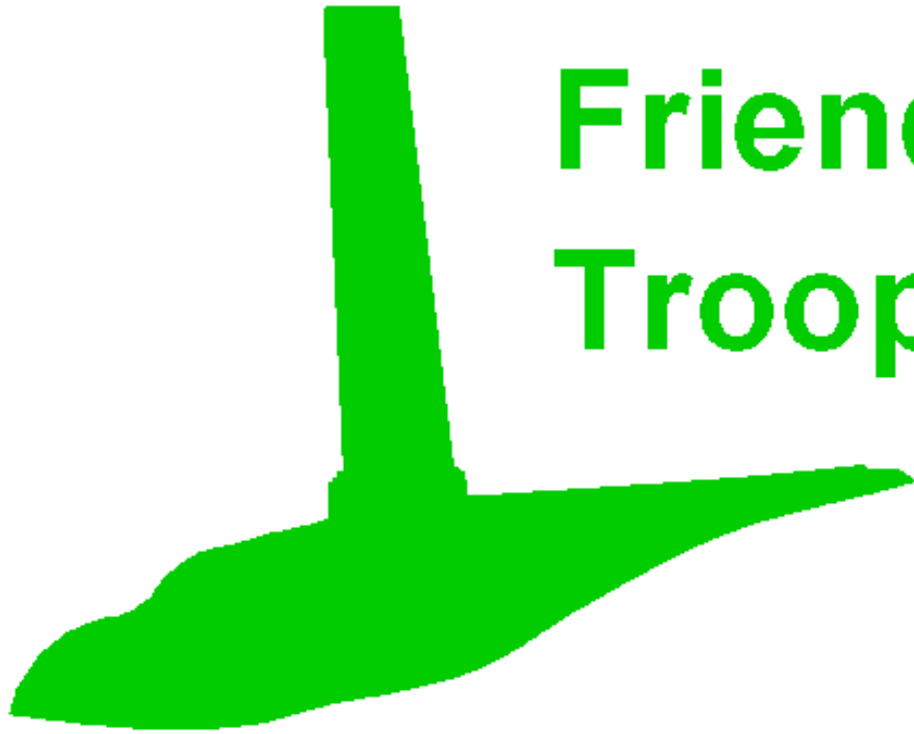
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The Hill

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An increase of 48%



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***** £30,000 Big Lottery win for Troopers Hill *****
www.troopers-hill.org.uk/steppingforward

[Thurs 8th Dec 7.15pm - Review of 2011 >>](#)



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Troopers Hill is a haven for wildlife in east Bristol only 3 miles from the City Centre.

Explore this website to find information about the reserve including its history and wildlife. Troopers Hill Field and Troopers Hill Woods are adjacent areas in which we also have an interest.

Visit Troopers Hill, come to one of our events; join one of our work parties or explore the hill yourself.

[How to Get to Troopers Hill >>](#)

[BCC Interactive Map >>](#)

Next Event
Thurs 8 Dec 7.15pm
Review of 2011

Work Party
Sat 7 Jan 10am

Meeting
Thur 8 Dec 7.15pm

St George Strollers
Wed 7 Dec 10.15am

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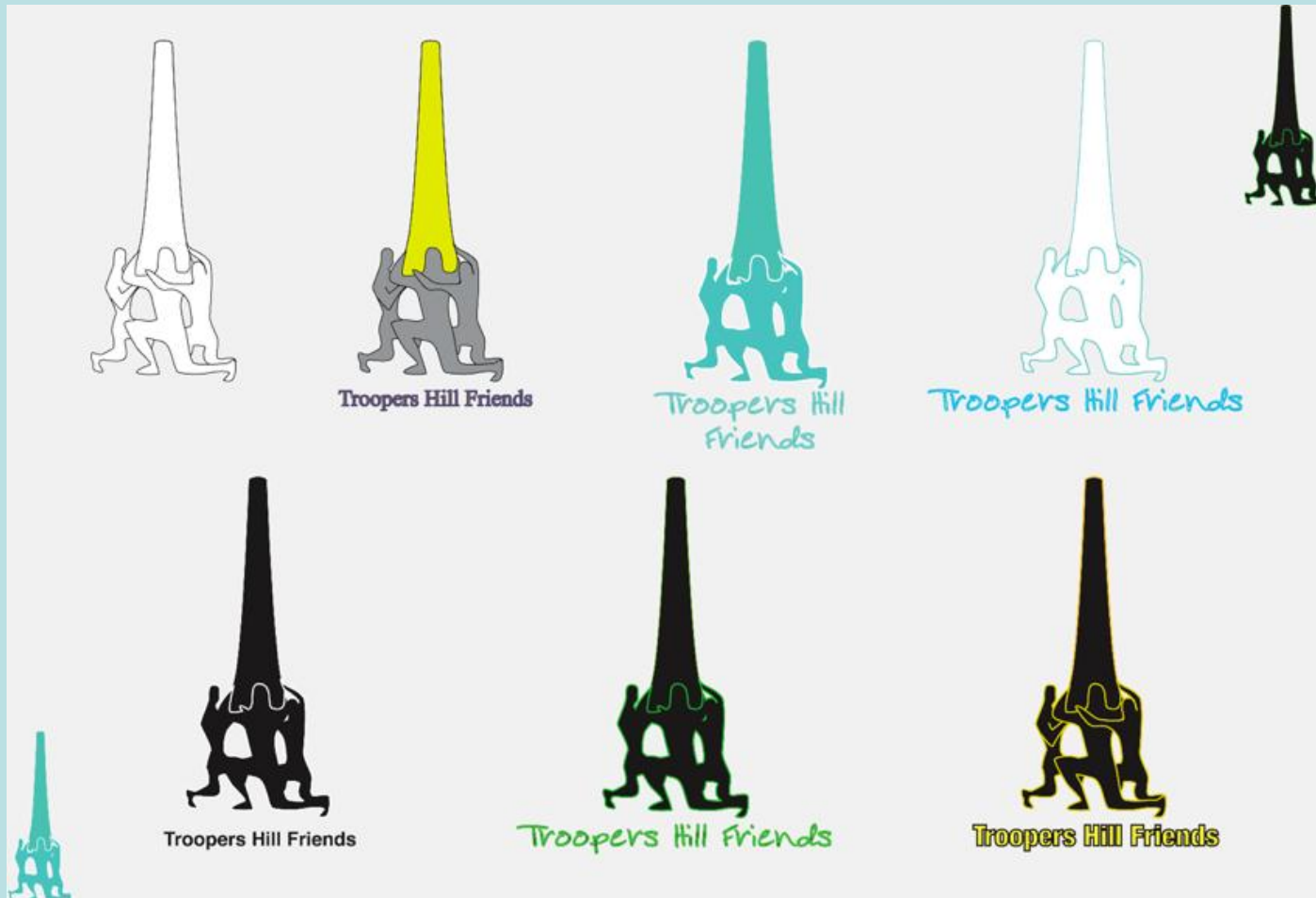
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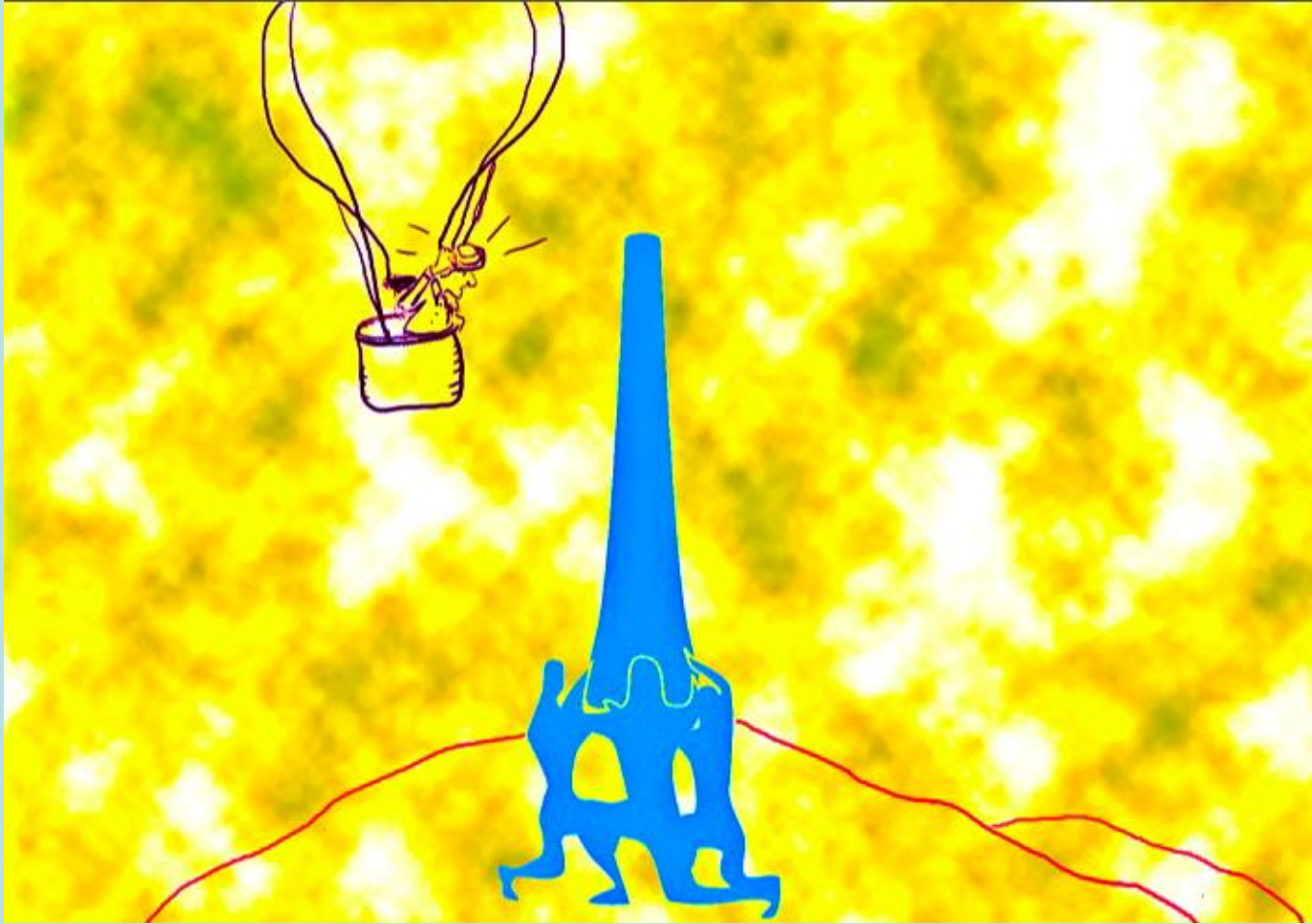




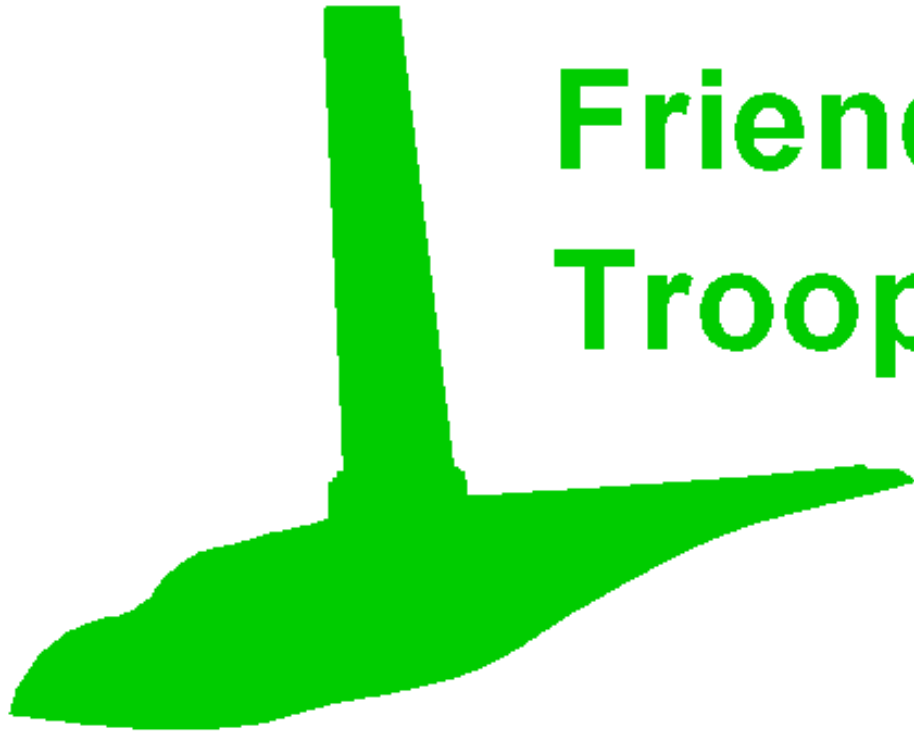
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By Antonino D'Anselmo



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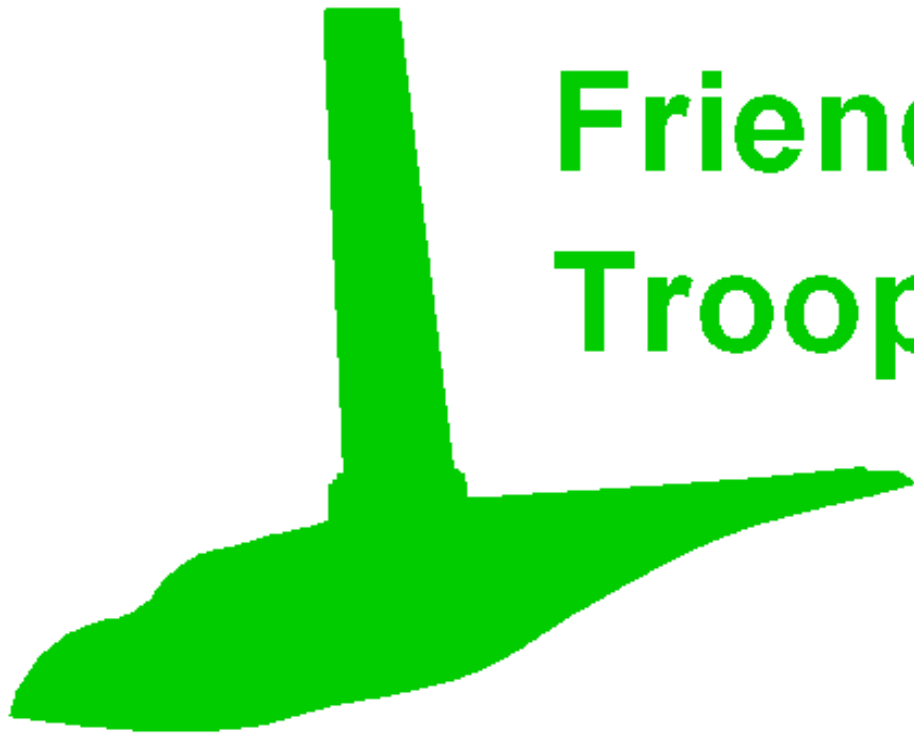
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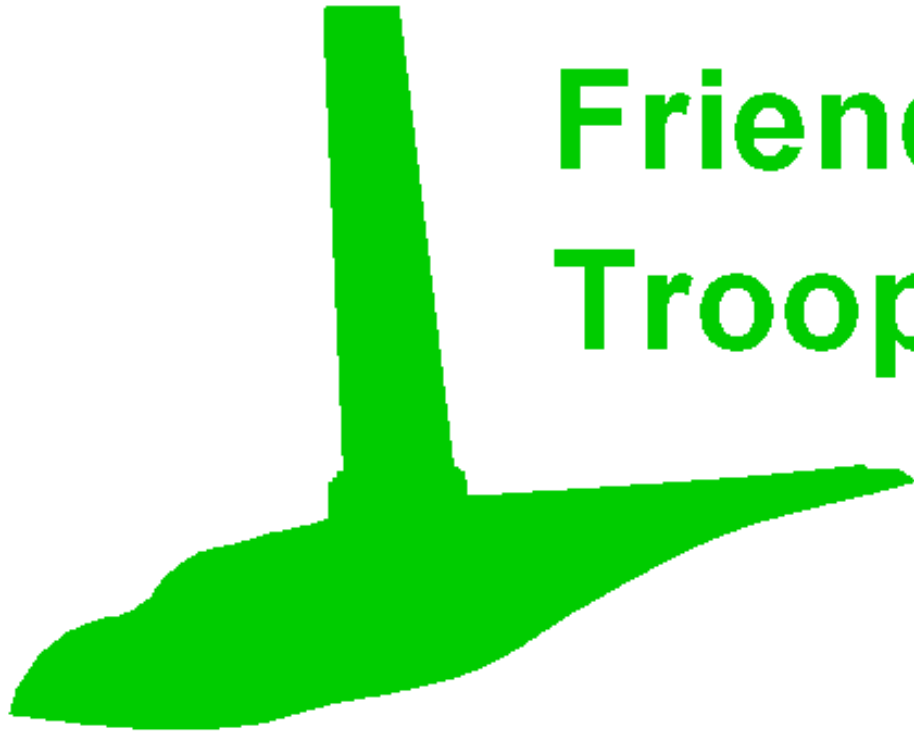


Donations & Grants

- Beeses £250
- Bristol City Council Events £478
- Bristol City Council NP £300
- Quartet for Strollers £1,700
- Skins Production Company £100
- Dig In Donation Tin £80
- Community Spaces £1,000

2011 Accounts

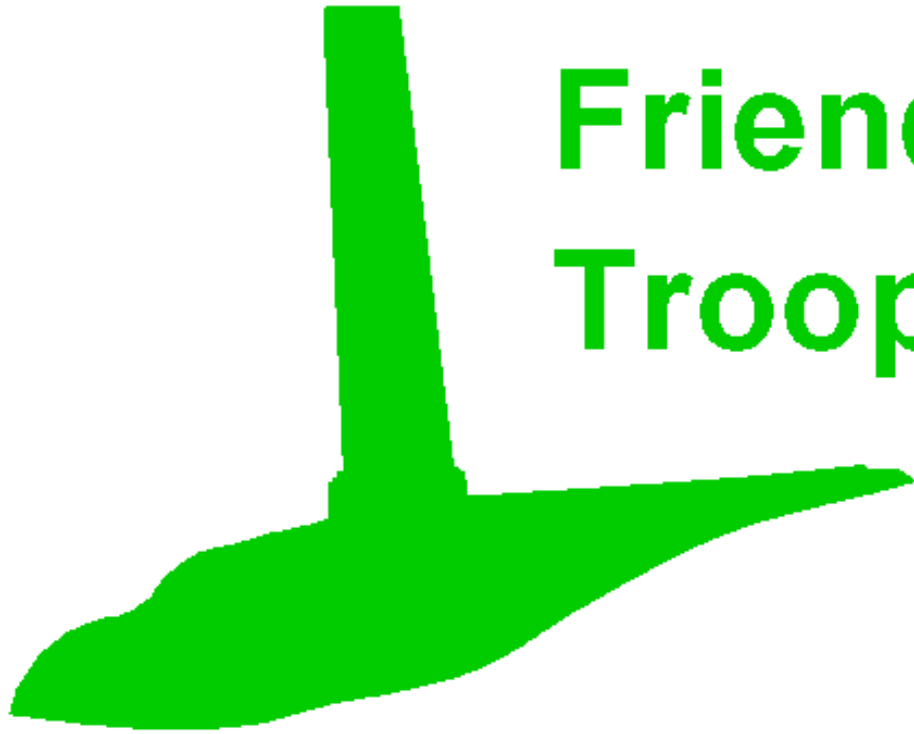
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- Received £4,463.80



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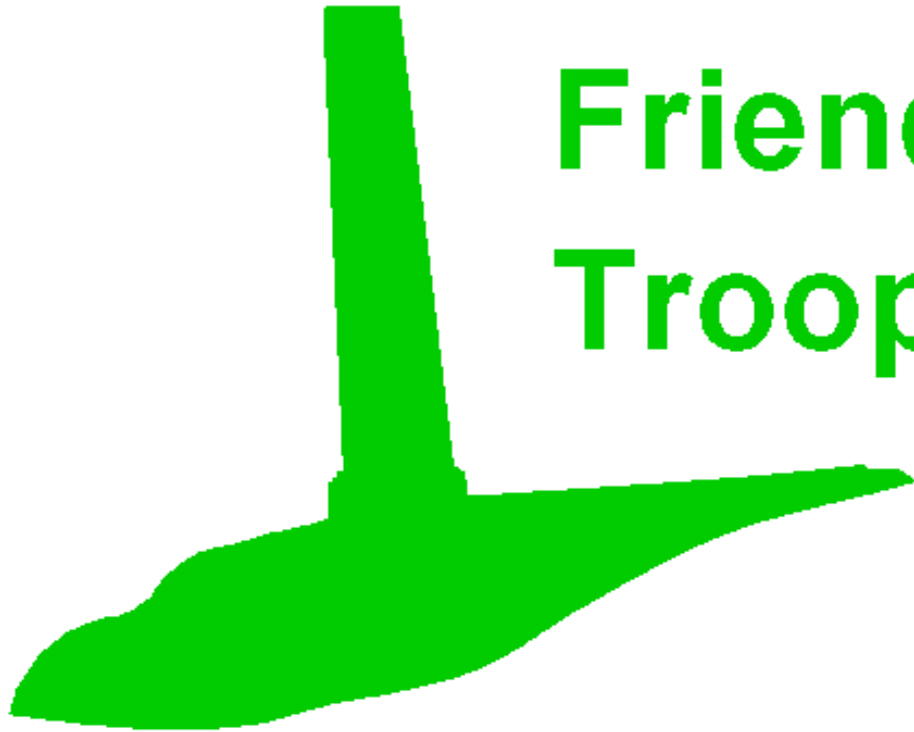
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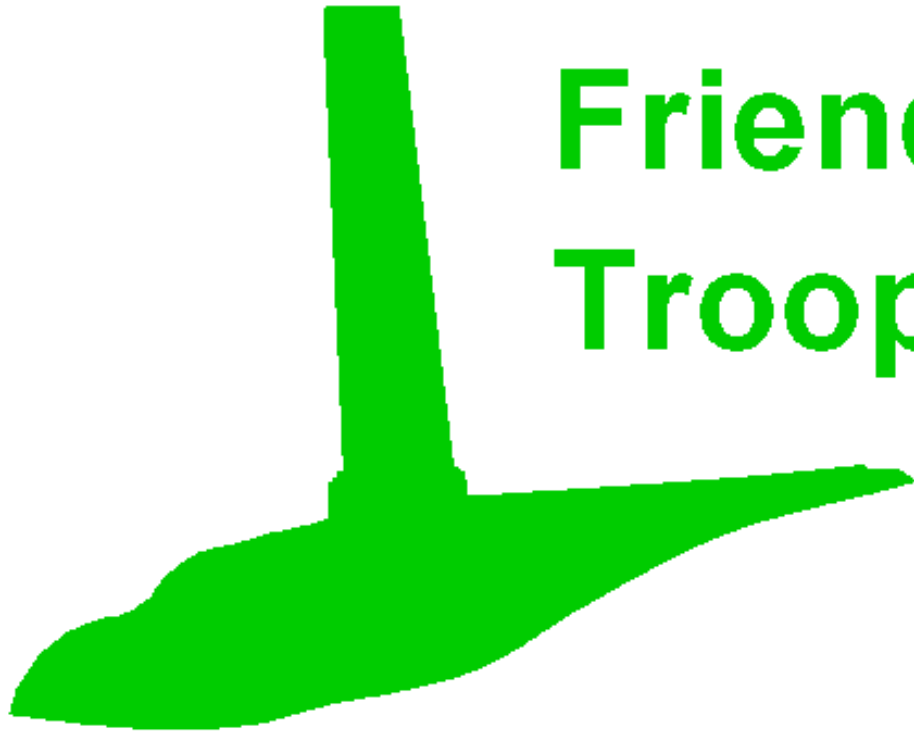
Events for 2012

- Music on the Hill
- Stepping Forward Celebration
- Dog Show
- Tai Chi Demonstration & class
- Saturday Work Parties (+2 evenings)
- Avon Valley Walk
- Dawn Chorus Walk
- Tree Gazing Walk
- Fungi Foray
- Sunset Stroll
- Forest Club

Meetings for 2012

- At Summerhill Methodist Church
- Next Meeting:
- Thursday 12th January 2012
- 7.15pm





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That's all folks!