

What has Denise James ever done for us?



September 2011 - Denise attends her first FoTH meeting provides information on Community Payback, a 2-man cleaning crew and anti-dog fouling resources

We have since made much use of Community Payback doing tasks from clearing gorse to installing hefty pitch pine waymarking posts.



October 2011 - Denise attends Forest School with her grand-daughter ensuring this activity could go ahead because it met insurance requirements.



November 2011 - Denise starts to tackle the leylandii tree problem affecting plant life on Troopers Hill. A long haul involving a conservation officer, agreements made and re-made, felling and removal that was a **SUCCESS!!**

January 2012 - Denise supported our first dog fouling clean up campaign with spray paint, posters and sorting out an enforcement visit. Denise starts to tackle difficult land encroachment issues.



So that's what happened in Denise's first 4 months with us. To avoid laying waste to forests and ink lakes and documenting the next 2 years a couple of sample headlines are:

1) She encouraged us to keep going for the It's Your Neighbourhood award and presented us with our first "Outstanding" certificate **in 2012**.



2) Working with Denise via the St George Neighbourhood Partnership Environment sub-group the councillors on the St George Neighbourhood Committee were convinced that a tarmac path across Troopers Hill Field would be a good idea thus saving many muddy local shoes so funding from section 106 money was agreed **in 2013**. Quote from a local woman on Friday 21st March, 2014 "I live in Glebe Rd and that path is wonderful. I walk my children to school along it. It is slightly longer but it is a so much nicer walk".

Normal day job duties for Denise included signing off our risk assessments for work parties and walks and whenever a referee was needed for a grant application Denise was likely to be in the frame.

From  Friends of Troopers Hill to Denise
THANK YOU