

Holliday Park

An extra S106 funding stream was secured to enable the purchase and annual maintenance of 4 off twin arm hanging basket poles, 2 off triple arm hanging basket poles, 4 off additional picnic benches, 2 off 3 tier planters (as have won awards in the High Street) 6 off trees in the car park area and in addition to this a new path to link the access road to the play area and a permanent 5-a-side football pitch with fixed posts.

Mine Site Project

Work is continuing to create a footpath to pass alongside the site marker posts of the former Boyne Colliery. Notice Boards will be erected depicting the local map when the mine was operational along with some illustrative work by some pupils of Langley Moor Primary School.

FOLM gifted Silver Birch Sapling

Following the Queen's Commonwealth Canopy Initiative, the FoLM was gifted a Silver Birch sapling from a lucky Ushaw Moor recipient which is now happily growing in the High Street. It appears that the 10,000 nationally available lots of 5 x saplings were all allocated within less than 15 minutes.

Railway Footpath Fencing Repainted

FoLM volunteers have painted the knee rail fencing and the linking Boom gates that are situated where the Durham - Bishop Railway path crosses Sleetburn Lane. In addition, overgrown shrubs opposite the former Whitwell Terrace have been removed and the now exposed knee rail fences have also been protected. Special thanks to the Clean & Green Team for the efficient removal of the rather large pile of debris!!



The FoLM wish to record their sincere thanks to the following businesses/organisations/individuals for their generous donations of either funding materials or expertise/certifications:

Alderson Funeral Directors
Buildbase
County Durham Housing Group
David and Lorna (Salvation Army)
Durham PAT Testing
JDMotors

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Kenny Mills & Bob
KS Digital
Noble & Brett Roofing
Park Commercial
Reprotec
Tesco (Langley Moor)

In addition, we are also indebted to our Unitary and Parish Councillors and the officers of the Parish Council for their help and support during this year.



Nominations 2018

Our group was nominated at the 2018 Environment Awards in the category of Volunteer Group of the Year, We were pleased to receive a Highly Commended Certificate.

At the same presentation a member of our group Ben Hopson won the Young Volunteer of the Year category (under 18's). Congratulations Ben on your well deserved award reflecting your commitment to our local communities.

Protective Subsurface

Earlier this year Boyne Place was cleaned in preparation for a subsurface protective treatment that was generously supplied and applied by Reprotect.

Tesco Car Park

Plans are at an advanced level following an FoLM initiative between Brandon & Byshottles Parish Council and Tesco. The plan is to provide a much safer access from Black Road, along the allotment side of the car park.

Fence to be Replaced

A funding application is in progress to enable the derelict fence at the entrance to Langley Moor (Between the River Browney and the Adoption Agency) to be replaced. The 140 metres of post and 3 rail fencing will make the Langley Moor to Durham footpath much tidier and more importantly safer, especially when the Browney is in full spate.

Christmas Tree Switch on 2018

This year's Christmas Tree switch on Event took place on 2nd December 2018. It was our 7th since we formed our group. Once again, FoLM wish to thank Langley Moor Primary and St Patrick's Primary Schools for their unwavering and enthusiast support of our event. Both choirs gave excellent performances that were so enjoyed by our rather large audience!

Please check our website or facebook for more details.

Litter Picks 2018

As in previous years our group have conducted a number of litter picks throughout the year. Our volunteers generally also involved a number of Tesco staff members keen to support the local community.

Our collected items this year include:

- 36 bags of litter
- 2 car tyres
- 2 wheelie bin lids
- 1 mattress
- 1 car battery
- 1 bed headboard!



Our monthly meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday of the month (except August) in the Parish Council Chamber at 7:00pm. If you wish to help towards improving our community please feel free to attend any meeting"