

Birkenhead Constituency Team Neighbourhood Engagement Update

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Reducing Plastic Waste in Birkenhead

Working with Birkenhead Park Pavilion and Emily Gleaves who runs workshops in local schools engaging with children on the importance of the environment and recycling the project will be taking plastic bottles destined for landfill and transforming them into 'eco-bricks' which in turn will be made into a sculpture at the Pavilion.

The sculpture will see a tree and seating made of the plastic bottles erected in the Elf Village behind the Pavilion.

Only a small number of plastic bottles are recycled with many of them being discarded in landfill. The project will engage with children in local schools, young people who take part in Birkenhead Parks Forestry School and volunteers to collect empty bottles and make the eco-bricks needed for the sculpture.

Once erected the sculpture will be a focal point in the park and be used by Park Rangers for future events.

The project has a number of benefits including:

- Reducing the amount of plastic bottles being discarded in landfill
- Educating children, young people and volunteers on the importance of recycling by teaching them how to make eco-bricks
- Using the sculpture to promote improving the environment and recycling to the community and everyone using the park.
- Building the sculpture at the Pavilion will be used by Park staff for events in the future.

With workshops on how to make the eco-bricks starting on Sunday 7th October at the Pavilion the aim is to have the sculpture erected and ready for unveiling on the 28th November.

For information on how to get involved with the project please contact Birkenhead Park Pavilion on 0151 652 5197.

Claughton Village Environmental Improvements

Continuing on the environmental improvements made in Claughton Village over the recent months the next phase of the improvements will see 'lamp post banners' erected at either end of the village welcoming visitors and drivers as well as bringing colour and an added visual aspect.

Designs are currently being considered but it is hoped that the banners along with the improvements already made will met the residents and shop keepers expectations and desires.

For information on any of these projects please contact.

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