



Bee Part of your Community

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Hello, we hope you enjoy reading the latest news from your Local community group, working voluntarily to regenerate Charnock Park for all to enjoy.

LATEST NEWS



**STAMP OUT ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR –
REPORT ALL INCIDENTS ON Tel –101. GET AN
INCIDENT NUMBER, THIS WAY PATROLS WILL
BE INCREASED – LETS WORK TOGETHER ON
THIS PLEASE !**

For those of you that visit the park regularly you will have noticed that since the last newsletter was produced we have raised enough money to have the ability roundabout installed at the park, which is great news for all, but especially for disabled children in the area who have mobility problems, as there are two seats on the roundabout and for those who are dependant on wheelchairs there are two secure wheelchair bays. The climbing frame has also had a makeover, having been painted and a metal climbing rope fitted to replace the one that was vandalised. There are two picnic benches and tables in the recreation area and a new bin.

We have recently had a pyramid climbing net installed- funded by SHEFFIELD TOWN TRUST ,plus two dizzy sticks - funded by J.G.GRAVES CHARITABLE TRUST.

We have also secured funding from VIRIDOR WASTE MANAGEMENT LTD for a zip-wire, a see-saw, and another set of swings to be installed, but firstly we have to organise an extension to the recreation grounds fencing boundary, and are in talks with Parks and Countryside and fencing contractors about this.

We have an outstanding bid to try to secure funds for a basket swing, again an excellent piece of equipment for children with disabilities to enable them to join in with their friends – we should know soon if we have been successful.

There has been a noticeable increase in the number of children using the facilities and enjoying themselves, since the improvements have been made- why not come along and join in the fun too?

THANKYOU TO EVERYONE WHO HAS DONATED MONEY , WITHOUT YOUR HELP THESE IMPROVEMENTS WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE !

WEBSITE UPDATED –

www.friendsofcharnockrec.co.uk

**Check it out !!
We now have a progress
section with photographs.**

FUNDING APPLICATIONS

Currently, we are busy applying to funders for large grants, as if successful this will allow for the bigger changes to be made.

This is quite in depth work and therefore as our efforts have been concentrated here we have not had quite as many community fund raising events this year. We will advertise any events and will keep everyone updated on any funding news.

We have raised over **£70,000**, since we began in July 2006 !!

SHEFFIELD TOWN TRUST

We are very grateful to the above charitable trust, who have made a very generous donation to the group of £10,000 !!

This has paid for the pyramid climbing net that has been installed recently, without this donation the provision of this piece of equipment would not have been possible for some time .

Thankyou

**J.G.GRAVES
CHARITABLE TRUST**

We are very grateful to the above for the very generous donation of £2000, which has enabled the purchase of the two dizzv sticks.

BREAKING NEWS – with help from Parks & Countryside, SCC, £50,000 PLAYBUILDER scheme money has been secured for Natural play. This will be situated in the playing field area of the park, Consultation through the local school has commenced, to see what children want from this opportunity. Work will start soon on this project. **GREAT NEWS !**

CHURCH BURGESSES TRUST

£2000 DONATION.

Thankyou very much for this fantastic donation, this will be used either towards new park equipment or the extension to the fencing boundary.

KEEPMOAT FOUNDATION.

£2000 DONATION

**MANY THANKS TO ALL AT
THE ABOVE ORGANISATION!**

**We very much appreciate every
penny !**

Forthcoming events

ACTIVITY SHEFFIELD VANS

The vans will be coming along to Charnock Park throughout the six weeks school holiday. This is a free facility, encouraging kids to play together at a range of sporting/fun activities, 2 coaches staff the van and supervise/help the children. Under 8's to be accompanied by a responsible person over 18.

This year we have had 2 slots per week funded due to the success of last years, these will be held on Fridays and Saturdays on the park field between 3.30- 5.30pm. The "Friends" try to be present at some of the sessions to sell cold drinks, crisps and sweets, again raising money for the park improvements.

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE !

A.G.M –Sept 09

We will hold our AGM again this year at Gleadless Methodist Church Hall, please look out for the posters about this , there will be one displayed in the "Friends Of" notice board on Carterhall Lane – and we will also be advertising in the school newsletter. Everyone is welcome to come along.

Please check our website regularly for updates on events !!

Grand Christmas Prize Draw- we will of course be holding our yearly raffle for the park, and will be working on securing some prizes over the coming months. Last year we did fantastically well with the raffle and raised £600 . Please continue to support us in this by buying a ticket this year. ANY DONATIONS GRATEFULLY RECEIVED !

Reindeer food - You will no doubt have seen us standing freezing in the cold , selling our reindeer dust at £1 bag, and yes, we will be making and selling again this year, every penny back to the park, so please buy a bag from us when you see us to ensure Rudolph and Santa find their way to your little ones doors .

To view other fundraising events that we have had please log on to our website – www.friendsofcharnockrec.co.uk.

THERE HAVE BEEN MANY MORE DONATIONS , AND ALL OF THESE ARE VERY MUCH APPRECIATED !

P&A JEWELLERY , WALKLEY

IAN SHEPHERD UPVC WINDOWS AND DOORS

WEBSTER'S BUTCHERS, WHITE LANE,

TOWNEND FLORIST, GLEADLESS ROAD

DEXTERS, GLEADLESS TOWNEND,

BASEGREEN SERVICE CENTRE

EIGHT FIVE FIVE DELI/CAFÉ

WESTFIELD OPTICIANS

HENRY BOOT

SHEFFIELD SWIM SCHOOL- for selling reindeer food

MARY'S PANTRY –thanks for selling reindeer food

RUNAROUND PLAY CENTRE- thanks for selling reindeer food

CAN YOU HELP ?

Please contact us , if you like what you see in the park and would like to help us achieve our aims.

You may wish to donate, become a member, help at an event, have a fundraising idea, give feedback or new idea's – come on don't be shy – lets hear from you –it's your park !

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**THANKYOU TO JUDI &
KATHRYN of Grant Thornton for
your help/ time.**

**GRANT THORNTON – are
donating free time and
accountancy advice to our group,
this is very much appreciated !**

Thanks to Charnock Hall Primary School for all your support.

Thanks to everyone at school who welcome us, allowing us to consult with the kids, inviting us to joint fundraisers, putting our news on school newsletters, etc. In particular thanks to Mrs.Anderson – headteacher- you have been brilliant, so accommodating ! Thanks to all the children for your helpful idea's and helping to plant the bulbs, together we will make your recreation area a special place to be, lets continue to work together to keep it a nice, clean play space.