

## 🎄 VPAG Newsletter December 2025 🎄

A very happy Christmas and New Year to all park users!

🔥 **VPAG Bonfire** - Thanks to everyone who helped out at the Bonfire. It was very well attended and raised over £650 for VPAG. Thanks to Greenwood's Estate Agents for sponsoring the event.

🍂 **Wildlife Volunteers** - We had a fantastic turnout for our session on 22nd November and it was great to see local families helping to create our impressive dead hedge. We have plans for more sessions next year so if you would like to keep up to date with wildlife volunteering, you can join our WhatsApp noticeboard via this link:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/C5ZrnYGq6YKHqDCqVPeji?mode=hqrt3>

The noticeboard is low traffic with no chat.

We will be having an informal social session for Wildlife Volunteers past, present and future at the Victoria Park Pub on Tuesday 16th December from 7.30. All welcome.

🥕 **Vegetable beds** - Look out for the vegetable beds near the Lodge, which will be back in action next year. Many thanks to the VPAG volunteer team for organising this.

**Local plans and proposals** - VPAG are constantly working behind the scenes to make the park a better place for its users. Recently, VPAG submitted a response to the proposed development at Whitehouse Street to raise concerns about how the height and scope of the development would impact on our historic park. Work is also ongoing to try and develop the Park Lodge into a sustainable community hub.

We welcome donations to help fund our voluntary work to improve the park and put on events. If you would like to support us, you can donate via this link.

<https://pay.sumup.com/b2c/QWOGHQZV>

🎵 **Carols in the Park** - This annual event is organised by St Michael's church and will take place on Monday 15th December by the lodge. Feral Folk Coffee will be open all day on the 15th, weather permitting, and will be serving cakes and hot drinks in the evening. Everyone is welcome.

**January meeting** - This will take place on Monday 5th January at Victoria Park Bowls Club.

