

VPAG Newsletter - January 2026

🧑🧑 A happy new year from VPAG! 🧑🧑

💧 **Water maze update.** Can you help? Investigations have unearthed the tap to the water maze. Unfortunately, when it was turned on, nothing happened! We therefore need to trace the source of the water. Were you involved in the original project? Do you have any information about where the water originates from or where further pipes may be? If so, please let us know via hello@vpag.org.uk

We're also trying to locate any pictures and/or the original poster for the water maze, so if you have any images you are happy to share, please get in touch via the above address.

🐝 **Wildlife Group news.** Lisa Stone, our local Green councillor, will be leading drop-in dead hedging sessions on Thursday mornings from 10 - 12. We will be creating a boundary around the swampy area, and it is estimated that it will be 50m+ once completed. This is a long-term project! All are welcome - wear suitable clothes for the mud and weather. The council are providing tools, but please do bring secateurs and pruning saws.

We are planning more wildlife activities next month. This includes creating small wildflower beds to run alongside the desire path near the existing triangular bed. Look out for dates and details on the Wildlife Volunteer WhatsApp noticeboard. You can join it by following this link: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/C5ZrnYGq6YKHqDCqVPepij>. Alternatively, email vpagwildlife@gmail.com to join the google group email list.

🌳 **Bristol Parks Forum consultation.** The forum is an umbrella organisation for park groups and provides a 'community voice' for Bristol's green spaces. It works with the council to ensure parks are well managed and maintained. They are currently running a consultation about sports pitches in parks which can be found via this link. The deadline is 26th January. <https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/PlayingPitchStrategy2026/>

Dates for your diary

- Spring clean - Saturday April 15th. Meet by the Lodge at 10.00 am. Equipment provided, but wear gloves.
- Summer Festival - Saturday 19th September
- Bonfire - Thursday 5th November.

More details to follow nearer the dates.

The next VPAG meeting will take place on Monday 2nd February at 7.30 in Victoria Park Bowls club.

