

VPAG Newsletter - August 2026.

 **No barbecues, thanks** - You may have seen the notices up on the boards which have recently been issued by Bristol City Council. During the continued heat wave, it has been requested that barbecues are not lit or used in the park. Many thanks for your understanding.

☺ **Help us take care of our wonderful park** - There has been a noticeable increase in the amount of tagging taking place in the park recently. Anti social and illegal behaviour can be reported via this [link](#) to Avon and Somerset Police.

Similarly, abandoned rubbish can be reported by logging onto [Fix My Street](#) or [Report a Park Problem](#). Thanks for your help.

 **VPAG Summer festival - save the date!** We will be holding our annual festival including the dog show on **Saturday 19th September**. There will be stalls, food and entertainment throughout the day. As usual, we will be requesting donations of cakes nearer the time.

Volunteering at the festival is an excellent way of gaining work experience, especially for younger people. If you or someone in your family aged 14+ would like to help on the day with stalls or stewarding, you can contact us by emailing hello@vpag.org.uk. We would be happy to welcome you!

 **Wildlife News** - Wildlife activities are currently on hold but will resume in the Autumn. Follow this [link](#) to join the wildlife volunteer WhatsApp group noticeboard.

The meadow containing our wildflower beds is due to be cut later this month. Mowing is a common means of maintaining wildflower beds. However, there is also great conservational value in keeping standing stalks as they provide habitat for overwintering invertebrates, so Bristol City Council has agreed not to mow the large triangular bed this season.

 **Tree Trail** - the [Victoria Park Tree trail](#) is up and running. It was created by [Sarah's Wildlife Projects](#) which undertakes wildlife projects in memory of the late Sarah Booley. You can pick up tree trail passports at Feral Folk Coffee. If they have run out, please let us know via this [link](#).

 **Good news about the loos!** Bristol City Council have arranged for the toilets in the park to be open daily from 8am to 6pm, starting on 17th August until 31st October. That should make things a lot more convenient!

 **Geocache in the park!** There is now a geocache in the park. Can you find it?!

Dates for your diary

- **Saturday 12th September** - [Windmill Hill City Farm Golden Anniversary Fayre](#) 11.00 - 4.00
- **Saturday 19th September** - Victoria Park Summer Festival including Dog Show
- **Thursday 5th November** - VPAG Bonfire night event

The next VPAG meeting will take place on Monday 7th September at 7.30 at Victoria Park Bowls club. All welcome.

