

Swinton

Community Committee Newsletter

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In Bloom in Swinton

Yes In Bloom is coming to Swinton!

The Swinton area has been allocated some funding as part of the Salford West Regeneration Strategy for an environmental project that will enhance and improve parts of Swinton for all residents and visitors. After consultation with various groups and the Swinton Community Committee, the A666 was identified as the area that most people felt needed improving. Starting with improvements at the junction of Station Road, Queensway and the A666 Bolton Road, the scheme will roll out in both directions along the A666. The scheme will focus on improving the environment along this corridor and where possible creating a greener, cleaner and a more welcoming entrance into Swinton and Salford. By working with Environmental Services and Economic

Regeneration, we will also be able to work with local people and provide free training and on the job skills, which will lead to recognised qualifications. The scheme will not only help to build a sense of community spirit and well being, but will give local people the opportunity to gain skills that could lead them back into work. We will also be working in partnership with local businesses to promote the In Bloom theme along the shop fronts on the A666. We will be encouraging shop owners to get into the spirit of things and helping them to green their shop fronts by running an In Bloom Business Competition! Local schools will have the opportunity to get involved in an initiative to promote road safety along the A666. This will be an excellent chance for Swinton's young people to flex their artistic flare and create art work that will be displayed along the road side.

If you would like more information about this scheme please contact Tracy Jacobs, Swinton Neighbourhood Team, Tel: 0161 607 1963, Email: tracy.jacobs@salford.gov.uk

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Oakwood Park



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To access current and back issues type the following address into your computer: www.salford.gov.uk/swinton

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Victoria Park Update

Have you ever taken a stroll in Victoria Park and come across a tent with lots of kids cutting up bits of coloured paper, armed with glue sticks and covering everything in the near proximity with glitter? Well, if you have, you will have stumbled upon an activity provided by Salford Ranger Team.

Salford Ranger Team has park rangers at many different sites around Salford, including Clifton and Blackleach Country Parks, Albert, Buile Hill and Winton. The team's aim is to encourage people to use their local green space in a positive way by providing events and activities throughout the year for people to enjoy.

I have been in post as Victoria Park's ranger since June '07, a role funded by the Safer Stronger Communities Fund. I have the responsibility of planning and organising events and regular activities for people to enjoy in the park.

The events and activities in Victoria Park have been a huge success and attended by a great many people.

During the summer months I worked with Fiona Smith (community artist) delivering weekly arts & craft workshops for children and parents in the area. The kids were extremely creative and made all kinds of weird and wonderful things based on things you can find in the park. It was fantastic to see everyone come along with friends and family



and enjoy a day out being creative and having fun with others.

We also had the 'Caterpillar Story Tent' where children of all ages came and enjoyed interactive stories being read by Bookstart. Summer 2007 also saw 'Friendship Day' and a range of bands playing concerts in the bandstand, organised by The Friends of Victoria Park. We hope to continue and build upon these events in summer 2008!

Other activities I have been involved with include pumpkin carving and apple bobbing, winter treasure hunts based on the park's tree trail, Christmas crafts, a Christmas carol concert (with Santa and snow), calendar making, weekly health walks and there's still more to come.

I'm sure you will agree, having a quality local green space is an asset to any community and has many benefits for the people who go there, whether to play sport, join in an activity, meet friends or take the dog for a walk.

If you have any ideas about what you would like to see going on in the park or would like any more information about activities or events then please get in touch.

All details of future events can be found in ON Salford magazine, salford.gov.uk or by calling Salford Ranger Team on 0161 7934219.



Pendlebury United football club achieve FA charter standard club status



Manchester County Football Association has awarded Pendlebury United Football Club the prestigious FA Charter Standard Club award for grassroots football.

The FA Charter Standard programme, supported by FA partner McDonald's, was established six years ago and helps clubs to improve standards of coaching, administration, player development and child protection. The FA Charter Standard award is presented to those clubs like Pendlebury United Football Club who have raised their standards in these areas and lead the field in promoting best football practice, both on and off the pitch in grassroots football.

Chris Martin of Pendlebury United Football Club, said "This award is the culmination of a lot of hard work both on and off the field since the club was formed in October 2005 and thanks has to go to all players, managers and parents who have helped 'the fastest growing football club in Salford' to achieve the high standards set out by the FA. Particular thanks go to Jon Berry whose tireless efforts have been the main driving force behind the clubs new go forward attitude. It is also important to realise that the club now needs to move to the next level and cant just rest on its laurels, and together we look forward to a bright future for all at the club. The club would like to thank Sir Alex Ferguson for agreeing to present the award and for everybody at Manchester United for making the experience so special for both players and committee who attended." Anybody interested in joining Pendlebury United should contact the club via its website www.pendleburyunited.com

Andy Basterfield, Club Development Officer for Manchester County Football Association comments: "The FA Charter Standard award acknowledges the excellent support that Pendlebury United Football Club is providing within the local community and its efforts to provide opportunities for players to develop their skills and play football in a safe and positive environment."

He continued "Manchester County FA is committed to raising the standards of football at grassroots level and the work and achievements of clubs like Pendlebury United Football Club make this possible".

For further information around the Charter Standard Programme, please contact Andy Basterfield on 0161 604 7632 or Andrew.basterfield@manchesterfa.com



Swinton & Pendlebury Youth Forum

Are you aged 14 – 19 and live in Swinton?

Would you like to have a say in decisions that are made in the area?

Could you speak up on behalf of young people?

We are looking for young people who want to have a voice in what is happening in Swinton. There will be training and you may be able to gain awards for your involvement. Members can represent a school or youth group, or you can join on your own just because you want to make a difference.

Why not get involved and tell us what you think about:

- Places to go
- Being safe
- Activities in the area
- Binge drinking and smoking
- Being active and healthy
- Local parks and leisure
- Youth Services
- Your local neighbourhood
- Issues for young people, and
- Anything else

For more information or how to get involved; contact Emily Wells on 794 4321 or the Swinton Neighbourhood Team on 607 1965

City West Housing Trust

Council homes in west Salford will transfer to City West Housing Trust in July 2008. Over the next 5 years City West will be spending over £147 million on improvements to homes, estates and services. The improvement programme will start soon after launch and City West is working closely with tenants to identify local priorities for improvement.

Tenants have been working with officers from the City West project team in 'Themed Working Groups' looking at how City West will deliver the improvements promised in the 'Offer Document'. The Tenant Consultative Group meets monthly to share ideas and make recommendations about the future housing service.

If you are interested in attending or need further information, call 0800 328 4599 or email: options.delvery@salford.gov.uk

Let's keep vehicle crime down!

Vehicle crime is down by over 20% in Salford, but we're all being encouraged to do our bit to keep it down.

By following these top tips you'll reduce the likelihood of your vehicle being targeted....

- Always remove sat navs, car stereos, work tools and valuables from your vehicle, taking care to wipe away any sucker marks from the glass which could indicate that a sat nav is hidden inside.
- Always lock your vehicle even if you're away from it for even a few seconds.
- Get an approved car alarm or immobiliser making sure that it is visible or that the manufacturers' sticker is clearly displayed in the window. Also consider other anti-theft devices such as steering wheel locks.
- Have your vehicle registration number etched on your windows and headlights.
- Wherever possible always try and park in well lit and secure car parks.
- Never leave important documents such as the vehicle registration document, your driving licence or insurance details in the vehicle.
- Never leave your car keys near your front door or where they can be seen through windows as they are an easy target for 'hook and cane' burglars.

There is a host of helpful devices available that the Salford Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership is offering for free or at a reduced price including immobilisers and car security kits.

For more information visit www.salford.gov.uk/community-safety-wicked-items or call 793 3576.

Salfordian HOTEL Southport

A charming period hotel run by the Salfordian Trust providing Salford residents and guests with excellent facilities overlooking Hesketh Park, the hotel is situated in its own lovely grounds and close to many of the local attractions, such as the Botanic Gardens, the magnificent Annual Flower Show, the Marine Lake and not forgetting the wonderful shopping area to name but a few.



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Swinton Summer Activity Programme

This will be the third year that Swinton has run its own free Summer Activity Programme. As in previous years we are asking you what activities your young people would like to take part in. If you have children of your own who have taken part in previous activities, or work with a group who are looking for things to do during the summer – this is your chance to have your say!

All suggestions and comments should be directed to **Tracy Jacobs** at Swinton Neighbourhood Team

Tel: 0161 607 1963

Email: tracy.jacobs@salford.gov.uk



STOP SMOKING SUPPORT GROUP

11am, every Wednesday from 16th January 2008
at

Swinton Library

(Lancastrian Hall), Chorley Rd, Swinton, M27 4AE.

Want to stop smoking?

Have you quit before and didn't manage to stay stopped?
Like to try a different approach this time round?

Come to our weekly drop-in sessions for:

- Friendly support and advice;
- advice on nicotine replacement therapy (patches, gum etc);
- other non-nicotine methods (including Champix and Zupan);
- advice on healthy eating and exercise to avoid gaining weight;
- relaxation and stress management and
- help to improve your chances of staying smokefree.



For more information please contact:
Julie Holden (Health Improvement Worker):
Tel: **0161 607 1964**
or email: julie.holden@salford-pct.nhs.uk



Copies of this information are available in other languages and formats on request.

Play and stay sessions

Every Thursday from 10.00-12.00

(Term time only)

At West Dene, Birch Drive, Pendlebury (off Hospital Road)

We have hundreds of toys for you and your child to play, learn about and loan.

If you would like to attend please contact Zoe on 0161 794 2485



Volunteers - what skills can you share?



Keeping fit



Supporting Children's Groups

We all have skills to offer, all you need is;

- Commitment to children, young people and families
- Enthusiasm and a desire to get involved
- Regular commitment of your time

You decide how much time you can give, what you are interested in and we match you up to the available opportunities.

- Expenses are reimbursed and there is continuous ongoing training and support

Although all applications are welcomed we particularly encourage applications from **MALES** as they are currently under represented within the project

For more information or an application form please contact **Sharn** on: **0161 794 2485** or **Shahanara.Begum@salford.gov.uk**



Mentoring

Groundwork Update

Art Work - Kingsley Road Community Garden

The recently completed Kingsley Road Community Garden has now been brought to life by the completion of the artwork element of the project. Beech Farm Residents Association attended an Environmental Art Workshop run by Groundwork to help them decide what art they would like to installed within the garden.

They then worked with Groundwork to appoint three artists: Green Monster Arts worked with children from the Deans Primary School and local children from Kingsley Road to design thermoplastic markings for the pathway and Thompson Dagnall worked with the children at St. Peters Primary School to make models showing what



wildlife they had seen in the local area. The children came up with some fantastic ideas and Thompson recreated one of their models to carve a huge wooden frog that appears to be jumping around the garden looking for flies. The children even got some hands on wood carving experience as they had the opportunity to carve some wooden mushrooms which are scattered around the garden.



Paul Bearman worked with young people from the Girls Group which is run by Swinton Families to research the poems written by some of the poets that the surrounding streets are named after. Many of the poets such as Wordsworth wrote about wildlife and nature, and the young people used this for inspiration to create metalwork showing flowers, dragon flies and butterflies, along with the lines from the poems themselves.



Beech Farm Residents Association would now like the garden to be known as Margaret's Garden and the garden will be officially opened and named at the opening event to be held on Saturday 23rd February.

Beech Farm Residents Association and Groundwork Manchester, Salford and Trafford would like to thank all of the residents and young people that contributed towards the design of the garden and the artwork, and the Big Lottery Fund for awarding the Residents Association the grant.

Art Work - LIVIA Events Space

Contractors are currently on site at LIVIA to complete the Events Space, which is situated overlooking City Walk close to Silverdale. The Events Space will be made entirely out of stone and young



people from Swinton Families and St. Marks Primary School attended art workshops with sculptor Michael Disley to carve their own stone plaques and benches.



The children thoroughly enjoyed the day, although many of them had aching hands afterwards. The Events Space will be completed within the next couple of weeks, and will be used for outdoor activities and events throughout the summer.

Spring into Summer at LIVIA

Come and celebrate the first day of summer with us on Sunday 30th March from 12pm to 3pm at LIVIA near to the new play area next to the Youth Centre at Clifton Green. Hopefully the weather will be better than at the opening of the play area last summer, and there will be loads of fun, summer themed activities for the whole family to enjoy.

If you are a group or organisation who are interested in having a stall or running an activity, please contact Claire Tomkinson at Groundwork on 0161 220 1000.

Know your councillor

Clifton & Pendlebury Ward



Cllr. Bernard Lea
Tel: 0161 737 4905



Cllr. Maureen Lea
Tel: 0161 737 4988



Cllr. Barry Warner
Tel: 0161 793 5545

Swinton North Ward



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Cllr. Bill Hinds
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Cllr. Val Burgoyne
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Cllr. Stephen Cooke
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Member of Parliament



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Springwood Primary School, Barton Rd, Swinton,
First Thursday each month, 6.30-7.30pm

Worsley Road Methodist Church, Worsley Rd, Swinton,
Second Thursday each month, 6.30-7.30pm

The Agnes Hopkins Centre, Clarendon Road, Swinton,
3rd Wednesday each month; 6:30-7:30pm

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If you are interested in placing an article in the Swinton Community Committee Newsletter please contact Catherine Walker, Swinton Neighbourhood Team on 0161 607 1961 or email catherine.walker@salford.gov.uk

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