



Richard Dumbreck's
SINGLETON TRUST
Preserving Singleton as a Community



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SINGLETON
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Singleton Woodland Volunteer Group

Thanks go to John Highton and Patrick Allen as well as all other volunteers who have given their time to help maintain the woodlands and new paths within Singleton Park. The Trust has donated money to the group to enable them to buy a small tractor and other tools to manage the woodland and paths more effectively.

Since the group was started in 2016 a total of 600 new trees have been planted in Singleton Park. This includes 250 trees that were donated by the Woodland Trust.

Woodland Walks Phase 2

The second phase of the permissive footpaths in Singleton Park is now complete and these continue to be enjoyed by many people who live in Singleton and the surrounding area.

Dog walkers please note: Your dog may be carrying a virus in it's poo that can cause cows to abort their calves. Please act responsibly and keep them on leads, pick up your poo and leave in one of the many poo bins located nearby.

Fylde Bird Club, representatives from Singleton History Group, Lesley Robson and the Trust have been pooling their knowledge to create information boards that will be placed within the village in the coming months.

Garden Plots

The garden plots have all been let out to local people and continue to be enjoyed to the full. John & Karen Ashcroft have two plots and have recently been featured in the 'Gardens World' magazine (on the same page as Alan Titchmarsh no less) when they won the national 'Most Passionate Plotter' competition. Well done John and Karen.

Peace Garden

In 2013 the Trust along with the community of Singleton identified a Peace Garden as part of the vision and the aim of this will be to provide a quiet place where people can visit and reflect. The Trust are planning to have this completed before November 2018 to mark the centenary of Armistice Day. An area near to the church has been identified and a planning application will be made shortly.



Trust Property & Land

The Trusts ongoing maintenance programme continues.

The old Police House has been renovated and a new tenant is now being sought.

The Trust has granted an easement to the owners of Singleton Mill Barn to allow them to create a new and safer access to their home over Trust land. The Trust has also fenced off a small area of woodland adjacent to the school which has enabled the school to create a woodland classroom.

Trust policy is now to review domestic and agricultural rents on a more regular basis to ensure they are consistent and affordable.

Worswick's Farm House

Planning Permission and Building Regulation Approval have now been received to demolish Worswick's Farmhouse prior to building a pair of semi-detached cottages on the site. Competitive tenders are currently being obtained for the cost of the work.

A585 Proposed Bypass

The Trust has been in contact with the Highways Agency regarding the proposed bypass and has expressed its concerns should the route go through Singleton Park.

These concerns include: the historical context of the Park, the detrimental effect to the farming of the land and the potential damage to the Walks, which have been provided for the benefit of the community.

Community Support

The Trust has made Charitable Donations to St Chads Little Gang for playgroup equipment, to Singleton Gala towards 2017 village gala and to Singleton Choir for room hire for rehearsals.

Keith Walker

Chairman of Trustees for Richard Dumbreck's Singleton Trust

