



St Anne's Scouts' Project to make something beautiful out of waste ground

The Scouts have begun to turn a plot of derelict land at the side of the Parish Centre into a garden. The plot is all enclosed –a walled garden that can be seen from the windows of the lounge – and full of sun.

Work has already begun - a volunteer has rotavated the ground and the Scouts have covered it with black plastic to stop weeds growing back – and they have great plans.

In one area there will be a fire pit and decking at the other for people to sit. In between will be artificial grass for playing on, keeping weeds down and providing space for containers for growing plants. A flagged path will run down the middle and on the other side will be raised beds for growing vegetables and herbs.

The area is secluded and secure and could be used by other parish groups once it is finished.

The Scouts have got off to a great start by securing £2,000 from Tesco – thank you to everyone who contributed by putting counters in the collection at Burscough Tesco – but this won't go far. They will need materials, tools and willing bodies to help transform the plot. Could you help? Do you have gardening equipment or materials - flags, containers, plant pots, spades or forks - that you don't need or no longer use? Would you like to get fitter? Why not come and work out in the Scouts' green gym? Every little helps!

If you can help at all, contact Bill and Anne Gilham who will be pleased to tell you more about the project.



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