



# Friends of Shirtcliffe

## **Below are listed the Friends of Shirtcliffe events:**

All comers are welcome – equipment and protective gloves are provided.

**The week before each workday, FoS Officers undertake a Risk Assessment walk. If you spot any problems in the intervening period, please let one of the committee members know.**

## **Schedule 2018**

**Workdays** (*Please note: FoS Workdays are now Ranger-supervised.*) We work from 1pm to 3pm.

*Please note: some of the paths may be slippery, so do wear suitable footwear and take care*

### **June 2nd Preparation for the Handsworth Hobble**

The Handsworth Hobble is due to take place on Tuesday June 12<sup>th</sup>. FoS has agreed to help the Roadhogs clear the route of nettles and brambles. The section from the Small Glade into the Western Grassland is especially due for a trim. Tony Weightman of Handsworth Roadhogs will be leading this activity.

We'll be meeting at the Bramley Avenue entrance (grid ref: SK 40813 85708) and carrying the tools to the work site. We recommend wearing stout clothing to give some protection against the offending vegetation!

September 8th      October 6th      November 10th      December 8th

Any alterations will be published on our website and Facebook.

## **Special Events**

### **Don Catchment Rivers Trust – Balsam Pulling**

*Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June (10am to 1pm)*

Meet at Bramley Avenue access gate. The gabion at the TPT bridge was covered in Balsam seedlings. James (the Ranger) did trim it, but it will need checking. The DCRT team isn't familiar with this area. I will be away on this date, so it would be useful if one of our group could be there to give directions.

*Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> July FoS Workday (1pm to 3pm)*

Meet at Severnside Drive (SK 4116 8527). There are several Balsam patches along the Brook in this area. We will be parking at Schubert Bridge (SK 41997 85300) and carrying the tools to the work site.

*Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> August (10am to 1pm)*

Meet at small car park off Beaver Hill Road, overlooking Flockton Park (SK 42097 85287). There is a huge patch of Balsam at the Stone Lane end of the Brook. The ground is fairly soggy in this area, so come appropriately shod.