

Round Hill Society Annual General Meeting

13th December 2022



Agenda

- Introduction
- Treasury report
- Achievements of 2022
- Ongoing projects
- Your vote! On the Committee for 2023
- Other news



Who attended the AGM

Round Hill Society (RHS) Committee:

Present:

- Gary Jenkins - Treasurer
- Stefania Rosso - Member
- Julia Valentine - Co-Editor of Reporter
- Eva Wendler - Member

Apologies:

- Jamie Aitchison - Co-Editor of Reporter

Friends of Round Hill Society (RHS)

- Nine Friends of RHS

Councillors:

Councillor Pete West

PCSOs:

- Tillie Earley
- Lauren Lewis



RHS Committee thank yous

[About the RHS Committee](#)

[RHS Committee constitution](#)

Thank yous

RHS Committee leavers

- Rob Stephenson - former Chair and Editor of *Round Hill Reporter*
- Jo Alexander - former member

Friends of RHS

- Dominic Furlong - Round Hill Green Space project & defibrillator
- Jane Power - Round Hill Green Space & Facebook Community Noticeboard
- Laura-Kate Roe - Jubilee party & streetplays
- David Guest and Ted Power - website

Council and PCSOs



Treasury report

	GREENING PROJECT	LONG WALL	JUBILEE	UNALLOCATED	TOTAL
Opening Jan 2022	£1,615.32	£6,000.00		£3,888.77	£11,504.09
B&H City Council	£1,000.00				£1,000.00
Planning application	-£149.20				-£149.20
S J Brown		-£4,500.00			-£4,500.00
Daryl Bennett		-£1,500.00			-£1,500.00
B&H City Council			£500.00		£500.00
Jubilee Party			-£500.00		-£500.00
Fareshare donation				-£100.00	-£100.00
Signs for dog walkers				-£24.75	-£24.75
Cash float paid into account				£42.57	£42.57
RHS card sales				£40.00	£40.00
Reporter March				-£45.00	-£45.00
Reporter May				-£5.00	-£5.00
Reporter October				£65.00	£65.00
Balance 10 December 2022	£2,466.12	£0.00	£0.00	£3,861.59	£6,327.71



RHS Achievements of 2022

Read *The Round Hill Reporter* issues 87 - 89 on the RHS website to find out what the RHS has achieved this year:

- 87. [March 2022](#): Hospital Blue Plaque unveiling, Fareshare, Round Hill Green Spaces, Playsafe returns to Mayo Road
- 88. [June 2022](#): Summer Jubilee Street Party, Blue Plaque Unveiling, Toad Migration Watch, Garden Picnic, Long Wall Mural, Councillors give £1000 to Round Hill Greening from Ward Budgets
- 89. [December 2022](#): Advent windows, Defibrillator Appeal, Long Wall Artists thanked, Toads update, Community Carol Singing, RHS AGM, Round Hill Christmas Cards, Reporter New Co-Editors

RHS Committee comms:

- Committee met 11 times in 2022 ([minutes online](#))
- Revived Friends of RHS email group
- Created Committee Facebook page to communicate via Jane Power's Community Noticeboard Facebook group
- [RHS twitter account](#) has more than 400 followers
- More than 3000 people have visited the [RHS website](#) this year
- *Round Hill Reporter* delivered to 1000 households in December



Ongoing projects

Defibrillator & Round Hill Green
Spaces - Dominic Furlong



Round Hill defibrillator

- Consulted with BHF, paramedics (including local paramedic, Barry Smith) and RHS
- [Article in Winter issue of RHS](#)
- GoFundMe campaign launched in October with target of £2,000 to cover purchase of defibrillator and external cabinet and installation
 - **Target achieved in two days!** Thanks to generosity of Round Hill community, with particularly large donations from Gilly Smith in memory of her late husband, and Stuart Chapman
- Still in negotiations with landlords over where it will be located - speaking to Roundhill pub and Highways department of the Council next year
- Meeting with Ailsa McWhinnie if the Sylvan Hall residents' association to discuss defib locations



Round Hill Green Spaces



Illustration: Peter Gates

Round Hill Green Spaces

Ditchling Road -- Prince's Crescent Bus Stop 'Pocket Park' Proposal

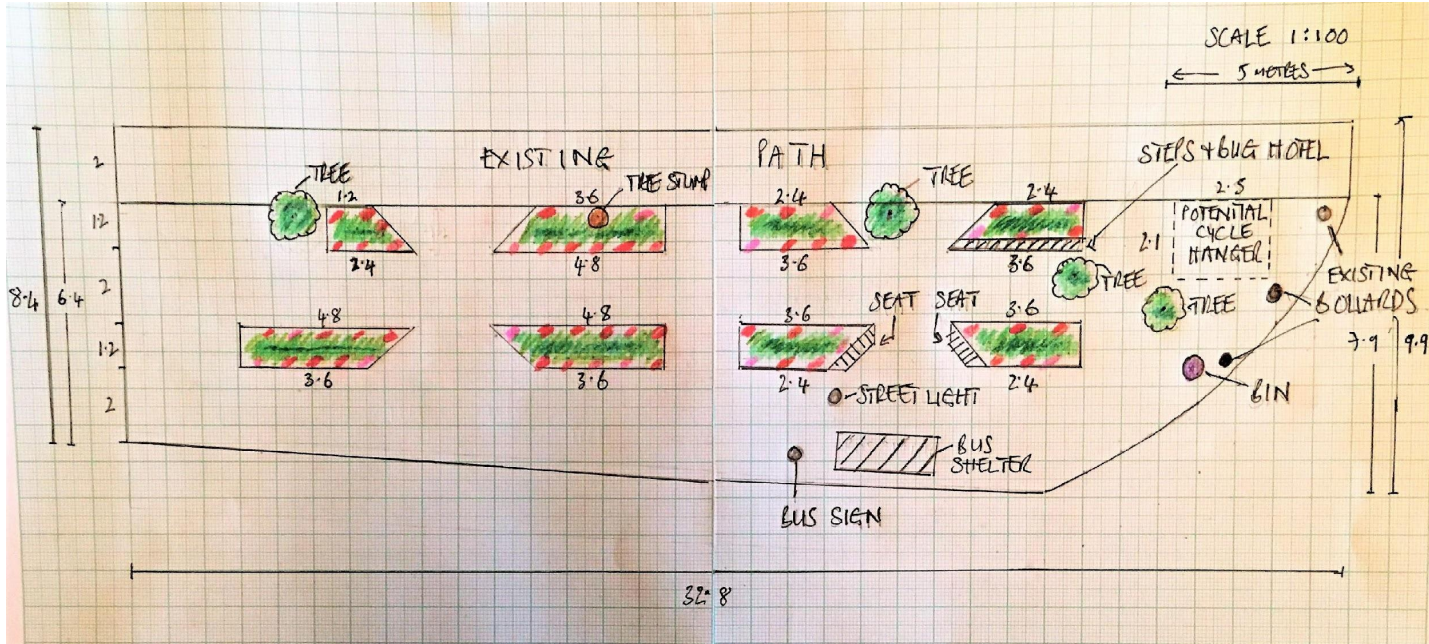
January 2021

Current status

- End of 2018 started discussing the idea of Round Hill Green Spaces (RHGS)
- October 2019 submitted petition to the council for a RHGS at three sites: (1) planters to narrow the Crescent Road-Prince's Crescent junction; (2) planters at the junction of Richmond and Mayo Roads; and (3) a pocket park at the southbound Ditchling Road-Prince's Crescent bus stop
- January 2021 formal proposal sent to council officers
- Petition about improving road safety presented to ETS in November 2021
- January & February 2022 council officers and ward councillors make site visit
- Space gets "permission in principle" and highways licence for a bus stop pocket park but dependent on checking if planning consent is required



RHGS: proposed plan for bus stop pocket park



RHGS 2022

- April 2022 received ward councillor funding of £1,000 from Pete West and Sue Shanks
- May 2022 RHGS Plant Sale £230 raised
- June 2022 received Jubilee planting funding £200
- September 2022 refreshed planters with soil and new plants from One Garden
- November 2022 submitted planning application for bus stop pocket park
- December 2022 will re-submit planning application with required technical changes



Your vote! For the RHS Committee to continue

Background

Every resident of the Round Hill Conservation Area is automatically a member of the Round Hill Society.

In order to hold a bank account, collect money from the council, impact planning applications and more, the Society needs a Committee.

At a minimum the Committee must have a Chair, a Secretary and a Treasurer. The Committee must meet at least six times a year. The Committee must have an Annual General Meeting, where the Society members must vote for positions on the Committee.

Votes confirmed

- Julia Valentine - Co-Chair & Co-Secretary
- Eva Wendler - Co-Chair
- Gary Jenkins - Treasurer
- Stefania Rosso - Co-Secretary
- Dominic Furlong - Special Projects

Apologies to Jamie Aitchison, who is also a valued member of the Committee (and Co-Editor of the Reporter) but we forgot to vote on his position! Jamie will continue on the Committee unless he or anyone else contacts us to object!



Other news

Next Committee meeting: 16th January 2023, 7.30pm at Roundhill pub - everyone welcome!

RHS Committee to add items to next meeting agenda:

- Street play barrier gone missing - fund new barrier
- Suggest project for Good Gym - clearing cat creep?
- Look into property act fund for community groups to deter crime or story vulnerable people: £500 (raised by PCSO Lauren Lewis)
- Look into Resource Centre for Funding & Sussex Community Foundation recommended by Cllr Pete West
- Annual community street party
- Discuss dates for street plays to notify police in advance via Sussex Police website
- Thank you to Jan before she leaves the area

Next AGM suggestions:

- Hold in November
- Find somewhere that can host 7-9pm
- Downs Infant School or Salvation Army have hosted in the past
- Make meeting hybrid in-person & online

Idea submitted to RHS Committee in ideas box:

- Discuss graffiti solution - tagging on walls and function boxes remains normalised, despite clean up projects



Stay in touch!

Contact the RHS Committee

- Email us at roundhillsociety@gmail.com
- [Follow us on twitter](#)
- Join [Jane's Facebook Community Noticeboard](#) to follow our updates
- [Email us](#) to join the RHS_Friends mailing list to stay up-to-date with the latest news

Contact your Police Community Support Officers:

- Laura Lewis: lauren.lewis@sussex.pnn.police.uk
- Tilie Earley: tillie.earley@sussex.police.uk

