

Rockley Memorial Park gets new woodland walk

Streetwise and Cityscape Greening are adding a new woodland walk to Radcliffe on Trent's hidden gem - the cliff-top Rockley Memorial Park (NG12 1AR).

Streetwise Environmental ensures Rushcliffe remains clean and tidy, as well as ensuring parks and open spaces are well cared for and professionally designed and planted. Streetwise is expanding to offer professional landscaping services for organisations such as parish councils and is partnering with Cityscape Greening of Nottingham to offer this extra service.

John Scott-Lee, MD of Streetwise explains: "Streetwise is excited to be working with Cityscape and it shows what can be achieved within the local community when companies join forces."

Rachel Cameron, owner of Cityscape explains what is happening. "At the far edge of the park, adjacent to the cliff walk, we are creating a new woodland walk to attract more visitors to this beautiful place. When I first visited in October, there was little diversity in the planting in the woodland area and the Parish Council was very keen to address this. By working together we have developed a woodland planting scheme using mostly native trees, shrubs and perennials to provide year-round interest. The species we are planting include our native sorbus, viburnum, prunus, daffodil, snowdrop, bluebell, fern, dogwood, geranium, geum, primula and hellebore to name a few.

The three organisations are also working with Mencap who will design and make homes for birds, bats and hedgehogs, as well as the Bat Conservation Trust and Notts Wildlife who will provide specialist advice on siting these new homes. Other new features include a willow tunnel and tree stump stepping stones to attract schools and families.

Background to the Park

The memorial consists of the park and woodland, within which is a shelter holding a dedicatory plaque. Lisle Rockley presented the park to the parish council in commemoration of those who fell in World War 1, particularly in remembrance of his son, William, who was killed in action in 1917. The park was opened on October 15th, 1927.