



## **Friends of Summers Field Newsletter February 2015**

After the flurry of activity in 2013 buying the mower, building the shed to house it, planting the remainder of the trees, etc, 2014 was much quieter with most activity involving maintaining the field.

In January the Cotswold Wardens installed the gates funded by the Parish Council on the public footpath that runs across the Northern side of the field. This has greatly improved access from this side of the field and has been much appreciated by users of the footpath as well as users of the field.

Another barbeque was planned for August, but yet again the weather defeated us although we did manage to hold a work party to build the compost area for the grass cuttings. We're hoping for better weather for a barbeque this year!

Although the Apple Festivals held in October 2012 and 2013 were very successful, we decided as a committee that a new idea was needed as a fundraising event. In addition October is a crowded time on the village events calendar so we also decided that a Spring or Summer event would be more appropriate. The precise form of this event is still under discussion so any suggestions would be welcome!

As always, as well as money from fundraising events, we will continue to need donations and membership fees to cover the annual outgoings which amount to £1500, so a response form is attached for anyone who would like to make a further donation or apply for/renew membership of the interest group (£10 per year).

On a personal note, many of you will have noticed a Sold sign outside Hill View. For those who don't know the background, Jenny and I are planning to move to Cumbria to a converted mill we fell in love with when we spent Christmas in the Lake District. I was already planning to resign as Chairman at the next AGM, but assuming our move takes place as planned, I will also be resigning as Treasurer and Director/Company Secretary of Friends of Summers Field Ltd before the move date. So....., we're looking for volunteers to join the Management Committee and take on these roles.

These issues will feature prominently on the agenda for the AGM which will be held at 7:30pm on Friday 6th March in the Village Hall. All members of the community will be welcome.

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## Response Form

Please complete the relevant section(s) and return to Sandy Higgins at Hill View, Church Road, Doynton BS30 5SU.

### Donation

I wish to make a general donation of £..... to the Community Orchard and Wildflower project and enclose cash or a cheque for this amount payable to Friends of Summers Field Ltd.

### Membership

I wish to apply for/renew membership of the Friends of Summers Field interest group and enclose a cheque for £10 payable to Friends of Summers Field Ltd.

### Gift Aid

I am a UK taxpayer

I am not a UK taxpayer

Name: .....

Address: .....

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Email: .....