

NORTHALLERTON SPORTS VILLAGE

Community Briefing



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Welcome to the Second edition of the Northallerton Sports Village Community Briefing

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Latest news

Work continues on site with most groundworks to the existing Stone Cross site complete. New pathways have been laid, with additional off-road routes through existing woodland areas. Benches have been installed around the site and mounds created around the lower football pitches, which will be planted with wildflower seed. Trees and shrubs have been planted around the site.

On the new land, north of Stone Cross, the land has been levelled and a new 1kilometre fitness trail is currently being constructed. The car park is also under construction and work has begun to create the allotment gardens. Some of the pathways will have a tarmac surface finish, and these works are currently in progress.

Coming soon



We have recently appointed another contractor to undertake some of the more specific ecological works. This element of the project includes works to enhance Willow Beck and some woodland management on the existing Stone Cross site. This work involves the removal of some trees, in line with an ecological assessment of the site, to improve biodiversity and the provision of habitats for local wildlife in the long-term. There may be times when access to certain areas will be restricted to the public, but we aim to keep disruption to a minimum.

Photo of mounds and pathways created at Stone Cross

Developing the site for people and wildlife

In addition to planting trees, shrubs and wildflowers, we are installing a large number of bird and bat boxes, which will attract more wildlife

As well as enhancing Willow Beck, we will also be creating a wetland area to the north of the site, with 'wild food' plants surrounding it.

To protect the environment, a flood zone has been created to the south west of the site, which will be planted with wildflowers.

Signage

New signage will be installed over the next few months, so look out for this as the site develops.

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