

Wish list of Projects for Rusthall and Tunbridge Wells Commons

This list comprises a range of projects of different scope, together with approximate costs. Most of these projects will not take place without extra funding..

1. Cut back scrub at the top of the steep bank adjacent to the A26 between Sainsbury's roundabout and Major York's roundabout to allow maintenance of the bank with hedging flail, reduce risk and re-expose all traffic signs. £3,500
 2. Widen the racecourse. Cut back scrub and saplings to create a series of scallops in the woodland edge in accordance with project 6.3 in the management plan. £12,000
 3. Improve the path from Brighton Lake to the Terrace Walk. Widen the existing path to allow light penetration and encourage grass. Improve drainage at the top of the path and install steps on the steep section. £3,500
 4. Clear scrub and graffiti from Edgcumbe Rocks; remove bramble, ivy and scrub to re-expose the rock faces and bring in specialist contractor to remove the remaining graffiti from the main rock face. £2,000
 5. Increase levels of roadside tree cutting accelerate the current programme to push back and scallop all roadside woodland edge in accordance with project 6.5 in the management plan and to reduce liability. £3,000 per week
 6. Clear Happy Valley slopes; remove scrub from the section between the 101 Steps and the Beacon Hotel and crown lift large trees to regain views. £6,000
 7. Install kerbs in Bishops Down Road. Put in partial kerbing to prevent erosion and upright posts on bends to prevent over-running by large vehicles. £3,500
 8. New path at Happy Valley; re-open the path from Nevill Court to Happy Valley rocks by clearing scrub and holly. £2,000
 9. Improve the condition of the sandstone wall behind the newly restored path at Brighton Lake; clear vegetation from the wall surface and re-point. £1,500
 10. Improvements to the Terrace Walk. Scallop the woodland edge on the south side of the path to increase safety and enhance the habitat for invertebrates, in accordance with project 6.3 in the management plan. £4,500
 11. Design of new logo for letter headings, signage, website etc. £500
 12. New map book to update 1975 record. £500
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