TEAM UP TO CLEAN UP - Spring 2018

NOMINATION 7:

Name: Michael Dyson (Chairman, Selby Civic Society)

Please state the name of the site that you think would benefit from a grant?

Waterfront Gardens and Amphitheatre, Ousegate, Selby

Please provide your email address:

Please provide your phone number:

What is the address of the site you wish to nominate?

Waterfront Gardens and Amphitheatre, Ousegate, Selby

Why do you wish to nominate this site?

The waterfront gardens were created as part of the Town Renaissance Scheme in 2008-9 and received wide praise including a good design award from Selby Civic Society.

Since that time the gardens have received minimal maintenance and no new planting.

The area is now looking tired and neglected with weeds and overgrown grasses.

Encroachment of thistles and brambles from the River bank and the blocking of views of the waterfront by willow have spoilt this attraction.

The site would be restored as an attraction for the benefit of the Town's citizens and visitors.

What do you want to do to improve the site?

The work would be undertaken by Civic Society members and volunteers.

We propose that work is undertaken in two phases

Spring 2019

Dig all beds, remove all perennial weeds, add compost as required

Edge and tidy grassed area, treat grass with fertilizer/ moss kill

Clean Sculptures and Time Line as appropriate

Re varnish and preserve wooden seating

Plant new Shrubs, flowering plants and Summer flowering bulbs

Autumn 2019

Clean and tidy

Plant Spring Flowering Bulbs and shrubs

Additionally, the Civic Society would negotiate with the River Authorities to see if Willow and other invasive plants could be cut back to open up views.

Funding is required for new shrubs, plants, ground cover plants and bulbs, for path cleaning materials, Path Clear, fertilizer, moss kill, compost, etc. Brushes and varnish for seats. A considerable number of new plants are required to cover a large area to make a difference and sustain improvements to the gardens for a number of years.

Do you know who owns or looks after the site? (landowner, council, friends group, trust etc):

Selby District Council

Would you like to sign up to regular updates from the Central Area Community Engagement Forum (CEF)?

Yes

*Please provide 2 photographs showing your proposed development site