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**Friends of Waterlow Park Update**

Highgate Breakfast Club to be held 17 January 2024.

**LOOKING BACK –**

The October bulb sale and December sale of wreaths and gifts for Christmas together netted around £2,700 which will be used for park plants and projects. One such will be the tulips in the curved beds just inside the St Joseph’s church park entrance. Those interested in

Garden volunteering can contact us here

<http://www.waterlowpark.org.uk/the-park/volunteering/>

**LOOKING FORWARD –**

**The Biodiversity Surveying** of the park’s plants is approaching the half-way mark – a tremendous achievement led by our Biodiversity team and aided by volunteers giving an hour of their time. Just one Saturday is all we ask and it is very rewarding. Work will start again in the latter half of February. We are also looking for help with uploading the data to GIGL, London’s natural environment database. If you would like to help please contact us (see below).

The guided walks on trees in the Park were very popular last year. We would therefore like to find out whether there are any other flora and fauna walks that would be of particular interest to park users.

And if there are any experts locally who would like to suggest a subject and/or lead a walk, please also get in touch via

biodiversity@waterlowpark.org.uk

**Camden’s public consultation** on whether to preserve some of the key views to the City from the Park by reducing the height of a lime tree closed in December. The results will be published soon.

**Future Events.** We plan to take partin the Happier Outdoors Festival,

18-27 March, Heritage Weekend at Lauderdale House, 24 February and of course the Fair in the Square in June and we think we have some engaging subject matter to bring to all these events.

**Our AGM date** is yet to be decided but it must fall in June this year

Either the w/b 3rd, 10th or 24th.

Ends

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15 January 2024