

A BRIEF HISTORY OF VICTORIA PARK

Victoria Park, originally known as the Victoria Pleasure Grounds, sits between Stafford town centre and the railway station. Opened on 14th June, 1908, it provided an open space “exclusively for the joy and amusement of the inhabitants of Stafford” (Staffordshire Chronicle, 20th June 1908). Victoria Park was built in three phases, the first area to be developed was the stretch of land between the station and the river, and housed the bandstand and walkways. Phase two was the land on the other side of the river and included the bowling green, and the final phase, with a paddling pool, playground and tennis courts, was completed in 1930.

WHY HAVE A ‘FRIENDS OF’ GROUP?

A Friends of Victoria Park Group is vital as a way to genuinely involve local people in the future of the Park. The park has served the community for nearly 100 years and 2008 will be its centenary year. We want the Park to evolve and continue to be a place where people of all ages and backgrounds can meet to enjoy their leisure time.

MISSION STATEMENT

The Friends of Victoria Park is a group open to all, which exists to consult, campaign for and promote Victoria Park, Stafford, on behalf of, and for the benefit of the people of Stafford Borough and to provide a public forum for information, opinion and debate on all matters relating to The Park.

CONTACT US

For information on the Friends of Victoria Park call Joe Scully on 01785 619514 or email jscully@staffordbc.gov.uk



TO JOIN FRIENDS OF VICTORIA PARK

Membership is free, simply complete your details on the form below and post to the address overleaf. Alternatively, you can hand in at Civic Centre, Stafford or any of Stafford’s heritage sites, Stafford Castle, the Ancient High House or Izaak Walton’s Cottage.

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WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

Once we have received your membership form you will be added to the mailing list. We will send you minutes from our meetings and other relevant information to keep you informed of our progress. New members are welcome to attend our regular meetings to become fully involved in helping us return The Park to it’s original ‘Pleasure Ground’ glory.



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THE FRIENDS OF VICTORIA PARK

Involving local people in
the future of the Park

