Woodland wonders-Eden West Bowling







This summer Eden West Bowling partnered with Insync, the youth group from St. Stephen's Church to help improve the YBS Woods.

The young people from the St Stephen's had decided that they wanted to clean up the woods as it is regular route for them heading too and from school and as a place to meet friends.

They were sick of the dumped rubbish, the piles of burnt waste, the boggy paths and getting stung by brambles.

Their desire was to start a transformation that would encourage others to use the

space and know that good things can happen with just a few days work.

The group spent three Thursdays during the summer holidays working in the woods, they cleared over 100 bags of rubbish, a number of mattresses and chairs, cleared the picnic area and paths of brambles, put one ton of gravel on the bits of path that get muddiest and repainted the fence on Fellside Close and two of the entrances.

The YBS Woods are a fantastic local resource, a survey conducted at the start of summer identified over 18 different types

of tree and 20 varieties of wild flower.

The woods are packed with birds, insects and there has been a number of recent sightings of deer using the woods.

With summers heating up woodlands were a perfect place to spend time.

Eden West Bowling plans to keep on working on the woods, making it a great space for all. If you would like to be involved or find out more please email

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