

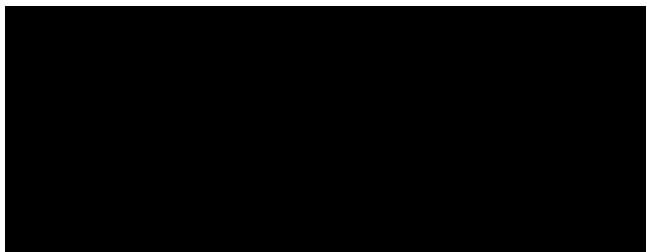
completed by the beginning of July. Wring Group Ltd, who is working on behalf of Legal and General, will carry out the work.

The structural demolition works will follow and will be carried out by machine except for some hand demolition in sensitive areas. Please note that there will be temporary exclusion zones in public areas on site that will be constantly managed by the contractor's banksman. These will be kept to a minimum, whilst the highest levels of site and public safety are maintained.

The demolition work will be carried out in a controlled manner with the intention of minimising impact on Hospital Trust staff, patients, neighbours and the general public.

[REDACTED] additional footfall on the Green both during the construction phase and once any development was complete, this would cause extra wear and tear on the paths. We also stated our concerns about additional litter problems. To this end (as the Trust relies solely on donations from our local community), an agreement was made under Section 106 that a consideration from the developers would be made to cover any additional maintenance costs caused.

The Pond



We asked Land & Water Services Ltd (L&W) to carry out a survey and to provide options for retaining water at the optimum level required by the Trust: At least 200mm above the level at which it currently appears to stabilise.

We have now received a comprehensive report on the pond and surrounding area from L&W. The report includes advice, options, and next steps.

We aim to fully assess these options along with their individual merits and associated costs before deciding to commit to a project of this scale.

We have invited a representative from L&W to speak at our AGM and go through a Q&A exercise. We hope they are available to attend.



As we enter early spring, it can be a great time of year for new volunteers to become acquainted with

our projects. We are constantly working to encourage biodiversity, to keep the Green looking as natural as possible, and to make it a safe and pleasant place for all to enjoy.

Last year we planted 105 trees donated by the Woodland Trust. This year we are teamed up with Surrey County Council's tree planting project, "1.2 million trees". SCC's ambition is to become a carbon-neutral county by 2050. The benefits to us are that we will receive annually from Surrey free saplings ('whips' such as we have been planting already) and we will receive valuable advice on planting and aftercare. We have already met on site with a team from Surrey and they advised us on where and how to plant their first allocation of trees this autumn and, more importantly, how to increase the success rate of the new trees becoming established. So, keep an eye out for dates when we'll need help preparing certain areas and planting these new additions to the Green.

Lastly, we would like to thank everyone who helped last year keep the Green looking so good. Without your help we really couldn't do it. We hope to see as many of you as possible at our next session. Everyone is welcome – regulars and newcomers.

Maintenance dates for your diaries during 2024:

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| Saturday 23rd March | 2pm - 4pm |
| Saturday 22nd June | 2pm - 4pm |
| Saturday 21st September | 2pm - 4pm |
| Friday 27 th December | 10am - 12pm |



And finally: we are always interested in ideas to improve our newsletter and would be very pleased to hear from you if you have any suggestions [REDACTED]



The current trustees are:

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