



Good to see both the Victoria Square herb bed and the Memorial Beds at Albert Road looking fantastic – thanks the small team of volunteers looking after these areas. There are many areas in the town looked after by small groups of volunteer gardeners, we really appreciate your input and effort.



Thank you

All work parties are 9.30-11.30am	Please bring your own gloves, tools and green bags
Tuesday 13 th October	Town Garden and Old Mill
Sunday 18 th October	Empty blue tubs
Wednesday 21 st October	Rodmoor Gardens and Nuttery
Sunday 25 th October	Replant blue tubs
Thursday 29 th October	West Hill – bring scissors to remove old membrane
Monday 2 nd November	Rodmoor Gardens and WI Beds
Tuesday 10 th November	Town Garden and Old Mill
Wednesday 18 th November	Rodmoor Gardens and Old Mill
Thursday 26 th November	Station Road
Saturday 28 th November	Millennium Garden



Lots of activity in Rodmoor gardens on 7th September from major cutting back, tree planting, redesigning the far bed and planting more bulbs to cutting the grass – the first time in ages there has been grass to mow! We always welcome new gardeners so if you like being outdoors why not come along to a work party and join in? No expertise required just enthusiasm. We are a cheerful, friendly bunch – the social side of gardening is equally important so we are always happy to discuss gardening topics and chat about life in general!



Open Gardens June 5th and 6th 2027 Open Gardens is PiB's main fundraising event which funds much of the planting and maintenance we do across the town throughout would be interested in opening your garden next year. interesting and accessible. Email [portishead in bloom@outlook.com](mailto:portishead_in_bloom@outlook.com) to express interest

Thanks to everyone who helped take down the flags on Monday 14th September – many hands made light work of a sometimes-tricky job. The baton now passes to our band of clever sewers who will repair those damaged over the summer and make some bright new designs for 2027. The unusual amount of sun caused more fading than we usually experience so they will be even busier this time. I think everyone loves to see the flags so we are very grateful for their efforts!



The recent rain had caused a flush of weeds everywhere in the Town Garden but after two hours work from the sixteen volunteer gardeners who were scattered around the town centre on Tuesday 15th September was looking much tidier.





Some of the gardeners were back despite the inclement weather on Saturday to remove dead heather and the vexatious membrane which makes gardening in West Hill Triangle so difficult. One of the gardeners described the morning's work as 'unbelievably wet and filthy' – but they still seem to be smiling!



There were more smiles on Sunday 20th when the volunteers enjoyed a splendid paella at Venga courtesy of Roman Jarana Vidal who kindly invited the PiB gardeners to his restaurant. It is wonderful that our efforts are so appreciated and was totally unexpected but delightful!



A fantastic turn out on 23rd September saw 21 volunteers in Rodmoor Gardens, where there was lots to do, from weeding and



deadheading, starting on some of bigger replanting projects for next year and adding more bulbs including some crocuses bought in memory of Janet Skinner – we receive so many kind donations for many reasons including those instead of funeral flowers – thank you to everyone who contributes.