

## Gardening at Whirlow Brook Park

The garden was started in 2011 to mark Su3a's silver jubilee and has been maintained ever since by a group of about 15 regulars, others helping when they can. We are actively seeking new members (whether with some or no gardening knowledge) who are always made very welcome. If you are interested in joining us, please phone Alison Cowper on 274 6165 or come to the park on the second or fourth Wednesday morning of any month and try us out.

Why do we do it? Some say it is for the satisfaction of working with others on a project that gives something back to the community. Others are inspired by the beauty and tranquility.

The garden has different areas - besides the main rhododendron and azalea beds there are boggy parts, woodland paths, the Japanese rock-garden and the pond margins - something for everyone! Last year, thanks to generous donations and a grant from the Sheffield Town Trust, Su3a commissioned an outdoor shelter made which was unveiled by the Lord Mayor.



Most of our work sessions involve hands-on gardening. We weed, sweep and prune during the summer, then gather leaves, clear the water-courses and generally keep the garden tidy in the winter. Replacement planting, bark-mulching and feeding takes place in spring and autumn. Once a year we clear silt and rubbish from the lily pond.

We welcome donations to replace shrubs that do not make it through the winter and to extend the ground cover. If you would like to make a donation in memory of a loved one, please complete the form below. Donations are recorded in the Book of Remembrance which is on display at the AGM.

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### SU3A Whirlowbrook Commemorative Garden. Donation Form

**Please print:**

Your name.....

Address.....

Tel no..... Email address.....

The name of the person who is being commemorated (if applicable)

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The inscription for the Book of Remembrance (if applicable).....

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The amount (please make cheques payable to SU3A and put 'WG' on the back)    £.....

Gift Aid Declaration (optional):

I (print your name).....wish my donation of £.....to be treated as a Gift Aid donation. I confirm that I am a UK taxpayer and that my current tax is more than the amount to be reclaimed.

Signed.....Date.....

Please send both form and cheque to Chris Cave, 96 Abbeydale Park Rise, S17 3PF  
To discuss any aspect of your donation please phone Alison Cowper on 0114 274 6165