



Community Engagement

Sarah Smith, Community Officer for the Partnership has been working with a few pupils from Montalbo Primary School to design a nature trail around the site and surrounding area. This is due to be launched in the summer with copies available on site, in town and from our website!

Work Accelerates!

The final layout is now taking shape. The paths final finish will generally be resin bound gravel but needs a warmer temperature before it can be laid.

Some of the sandstone setts have been re-used on the performance area and in the mini golf. Final works to the wall alongside Flatts Road and the new entrance feature has begun. Due to the poor condition of this wall, it has had to be taken down completely to be built back up again. Final installation of the ironworks by local firm Little Newsham Forges will then follow. The lamppost near the performance area has been re-used.

The restoration of the green area adjacent to the Castle and planting will start after Barney Meet (25, 26, 27 May) when the area around Woodleigh is ready. This is to ensure that some of the site is open to the public at all times. The work will include refurbishment of some of the seats, repairs to the steps and planting.

The new kiosk, which will act as an information point and a base for both the mini golf and for the new re-sited play area, is almost complete. The new play area equipment from Pennine Play will be installed in early June and include a wooden castle and a mini beast hunting area!

An official opening for the whole site will be held in July. Dates to be confirmed.

A Journey through Teesdale – Mini Golf Course

The Mini Golf Course project led by Barnard Castle Town Council is now complete and will be open to the public shortly.

A Stone Carving Workshop has been held with young people from Teesdale YMCA. The stone features carved by local artist and sculptor Phil Townsend are now installed.

A ribbon cutting ceremony took place on 23 May and opened by the Town Mayor, Frank Harrison. The stone features include a memorial to the late town historian, Alan Wilkinson, who brought mini golf to Scar Top.

A public opening for the course will be held on Saturday, 20 July, once the whole site is complete with special offers for those who wish to have a game on the day and in the weeks to follow.



Works to the Weir

Please note that works to the weir by the Environment Agency will be moving over to the north side of the Tees and close the path from Raby Avenue to the Silver Bridge and you may have to seek alternative routes.

Completion Date

The whole site is due for completion by mid July, and activities are being planned for the summer period.

Contact Details

If you would like any more information on this project or the Landscape Partnership, please get in touch using the contact details below.

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