What's growing on?

The FBST Gardening Group Newsletter - Summer 2025



Noticed something new in the Square?

The new FBST notice board was recently installed in the Garden. Production and installation costs were fully covered by generous grants of £3,000 from the Police & Crime Commissioner's Community Safety Fund and £100 from the Neighbourhood Watch.

The space will display community safety and contact info, FBST news and events, and FBST Garden communications.

Read more about the successful "Keeping Brunswick Safe" bid for this grant on the <u>FBST website</u>.





FBST have been looking at both restoring the drinking fountain and setting up a garden tap for the Square. At the General Meeting on June 21st, the Board reported they'd received a quote of £8,250 for Southern Water to connect the water source to a garden tap.

Residents in attendance agreed that the priority should be the

garden tap, not the drinking fountain. Restoring the fountain would cost £1,800 for cleaning and granite refurbishment alone, plus engineer work for inspection and potential replacement of pipes. Look out for info on how you can help us reach our goal to fund this vital water hookup by next summer!

Befriend a plant. Get it a drink.

Our new plants are dying for lack of water. To combat this, we'll continue our "Thirsty Thursday" sessions throughout August and September (if it's not pouring down!) There are 3 ways you can help:

- 1. We've set up water stations around the Square. Please help us by filling any empty bottles you find there with tap water.
- 2. Leave some bottles or buckets on your doorstep and get in touch via WhatsApp or email gardening@friendsofbrunswick.co.uk with your street number.
- 3. Join us on Thursday evenings at 6pm to help water.



