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## FRIENDS OF LATCHMERE RECREATION GROUND

I am writing to invite you to the first meeting of the “Friends of Latchmere Recreation Ground” where there will be an opportunity to develop ideas together of what we might want the Rec to become. Over recent months I (a resident of Durlston Rd) have met with people with the aim of improving this green space.. The group has gained momentum, several more having joined us so that we are now ready to launch as ‘Friends of Latchmere Recreation Ground’ and to have our first AGM. **(Thursday 30th Nov 7.30 at Latchmere School)..**

**We will be conducting a consultation prior to our AGM.** There are potentially large amounts of money to be bid for and while nothing is of course certain, we are encouraged to go for ‘blue-sky thinking’ in planning for the rec. At the meeting there will be an opportunity for people to brainstorm ideas in small groups and then for people to put their own priorities on paper. These will later be collated and fed back via a FoLaR Newsletter.

The Rec is used at the moment on winter Saturdays by KIngston Little League, by dog walkers daily, by fitness trainers of different persuasions many days a week throughout the year and by children using the playground daily.

The Rec is wonderfully situated right in the heart of the local community and has the potential to be a real hub for that community. Certainly it could to provide something for all ages. We have picked up a wide range of ideas from people we’ve talked to so far, ranging from a cafe, somewhere nice to sit with interesting planting, sport for girls, table tennis, gym equipment for adults, better storage for Little League’s equipment, ecologically sustainable planting with bug hotels, and uncovering a buried stream.

We really need to hear your ideas on the 30th and to have your support if any of this is to happen. Please come along and do join the Friends group.

We look forward to meeting you.

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