

## **Media Release**

### **Brittens Field Improvements**



Improvements to some areas of Britten's Field have been carried out by Ilminster Town Council and the Football Club which will also get over a problem of what to do with a large pile of soil.

The soil was left over from digging the foundations of the Archie Gooch Pavilion and a large amount has already been re-used on the project site.

The Mayor, Councillor Val Keitch explained "Soil was piled adjacent to the new pavilion during the construction work and has been removed as part of the final stages of the project, and before it causes any damage to trees on the western edge of the field. Some of the excess soil has been used to help to level areas within Brittens Field which were uneven and so make it safer for users, and another amount has been spread on the Brittens Field side of The Incline."

Before the soil was moved, checks were undertaken with the Conservation Officer at the District Council to make sure that there was no likelihood of damage to any possible area of archaeological interest relating to the canal.

Most of the areas of soil will be seeded with grass and there is the possibility also of using wild flower seed on the bank near The Incline, which is still very steep and thus dangerous to cut with motorised mowing equipment.

Mayor Val Keitch said: "This is necessary work following the construction of the pavilion and it makes sense to use this soil where it can enhance our current recreation area. While it might in places look untidy for a short period, once the grass has grown it will no doubt make it much better for users."

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