

ST. NICHOLAS PARK PETITION

We, the undersigned, petition Warwick District Council to fully restore to their previous condition the grassed areas in St. Nicholas Park which have been treated and killed with weedkiller, as soon as possible.

St Nicholas Park is a cherished recreation resource for local residents and visitors to Warwick, and is designated as a public recreation space by Warwick District Council. We note that WDC have current policies to encourage residents to take more physical exercise and therefore should logically not make their parks less accessible to the public for recreation.

Large areas of the open, grassed areas in St. Nicholas Park have apparently, been deliberately killed by Warwick District Council in preparation for the planting of "wild flower" meadows. We believe that the locations chosen are inappropriate for this type of planting and that consequently much of the grassed areas will be inaccessible to park users for their recreation.

We are concerned that the views of the Friends of St. Nicholas Park and Warwick Town Council have been ignored regarding these major changes.

We are also surprised that our Ward Councillors have not had an opportunity to debate the issues and the impact of the changes on park users.

We expect WDC and our elected Councillors to act as the stewards for our parks, protecting them from further development and drawing up policies which encourage greater use and participation by local residents.

We understand that if WDC receive 500 signatures this petition must be debated in full Council.

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