
Help build a medieaval garden

Lewes Priory Trust is building its own community-run medieaval kitchen garden.

They call for volunteers to help create six raised beds and three wooden compost bins with lids on Saturday and Sunday, October 8 and 9. Meet at the Folly Tower.

Jobs include clearing small stones and litter from cleared ground; levelling ground (this has largely been done but will need to be fine tuned;) measuring and marking the site, lifting sleepers into

place, fixing brackets and assembling bins. You will need plenty of water and/or flasks of tea/coffee, (biscuits will be provided) and gardening gloves as there are sharp stones and small bits of old glass. Spades, forks and rakes would be useful. Next week the garden area will be turfed and over wintered. In spring wattle fences will be made to to enclose the site, a medieaval turf bench constructed and beds planted.

Tracy Anderson thanked

everyone who supported the project. "We have been successful in our bids and received grants from Tesco's Bags of Help, Sussex Community Fund and Lewes Town Council. We were also chosen as one of the Mayor's charities. Thanks too to St Mary's Gardening Club, Southover Primary School, Lewes and District Garden Society and Lewes Castle Rotary Club who supported our applications and to our neighbours who have offered advice and support."

Trust seeks volunteers to help build garden

The Lewes Priory Trust is calling for volunteers to help it reconstruct a medieval kitchen garden.

It is seeking helpers tomorrow (October 8) and Sunday (October 9) to lend a hand building six raised beds and three wooden compost bins that will feature in the community-run space in Lewes Priory Park.

Jobs will include picking up small stones and litter; levelling the ground; measuring and marking out the site; and assembling the bins.

Those interested should meet at the folly tower for a 10.30am start and are advised to bring a drink and gardening gloves; biscuits will be provided. They may also like to bring spades, forks and rakes.

In the week after, the trust says the garden area will be turfed and overwintered. In spring 2017 it will make wattle fences to enclose the site, construct a medieval turf bench and the planting of the beds will then begin.