

HILTON VALLEY NEWSLETTER

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PICTURESQUE OPEN SPACE UNVEILED FOR HILTON RESIDENTS

St. Modwen is delighted to announce the delivery of a brand-new area of open space, which residents of Hilton will be able to enjoy for years to come.

Located just behind the Hilton Valley development the space benefits from an enhanced landscape, including a collection of woodland walks. Residents of all ages can come and explore the natural delights of the woodland, in turn learning about the area in which they live.

Improvements to natural habitats, including the addition of a new pond and wildflowers, will also greatly benefit local wildlife, providing new homes for a variety of insects, reptiles and nesting birds.

Speaking on behalf of St. Modwen, Andrea Clarke, Residential Portfolio Manager, said: "Now, more than ever, we know that keeping well and looking after mental health is so important for members of our communities. Spending time in fresh air is one of the easiest ways to ensure we feel rejuvenated and energised."

We've worked so hard to create a space that current and future Hilton residents can be proud of and we hope that opening the gates now will give Hilton residents more opportunities to immerse themselves in the great outdoors."

The teams involved had intended to officially launch the area by inviting children from the local school, The Mease Spencer Academy, to take part in an activity session led by Sam Beckett from the Hilton Conservation Group. Due to the Covid-19 restrictions in place, the event was postponed twice.

Discussing what makes this new open space special, Sam said: "Diversity of local wildlife is something we can often take for granted. Features of the new space in Hilton are quite remarkable, in that they encourage natural regeneration and make space for new species to thrive. I look forward to coming back to run activities with local children as soon as it is possible to do so."

Talking about her hopes for the future of the space, Julia Hart, Principal of The Mease Spencer Academy, said: "As we're in such close proximity to the Hilton Valley development, we've been watching and waiting for the moment the open space was completed.

Our children will benefit greatly from exposure to such an interesting landscape, which offers so many opportunities for them to learn about the environment and local wildlife. Of course, they also can't wait to play in the large open space which we simply didn't have before! We're very grateful to St. Modwen for developing such a valuable community asset."

Rosie Coulton, a resident of Hilton Valley recently visited the space said: "We have just been to the water pond and new walkway through the woods and it is fantastic! What an amazing feature to have right on our doorstep.

It's such a shame we couldn't have a celebration to thank the teams involved in person, hopefully this'll be something we can do when things return to normal."

Take a look at our aerial video of the open space in all it's glory here <https://vimeo.com/478502014> - big thanks to the children from the Mease Spencer Academy who you can see giving us a big wave!

You can also download a children's activity leaflet here <https://www.stmodwen.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/Hilton-Valley-Public-Open-Space-leaflet.pdf>, which was developed by St. Modwen and Hilton Community Conservation Group to celebrate the wildlife that can be found at the Hilton SOS (Strategic Open Space).

We want everyone to remain safe and only ask that visitors adhere to the current Government guidelines, concerned with use of outdoor spaces during the Covid-19 pandemic

YOUR CHANCE TO WIN A

WIN £50

LOVE2SHOP VOUCHER

TRAVEL SURVEY

We are currently undertaking a travel survey of residents at Hilton Valley. The purpose of this survey is to help us understand your travel needs and how best to support them through the Community Travel Plan.

Complete the survey by November 20th to be entered into our prize draw. The lucky winner will receive a £50 Love2Shop voucher.

Complete the survey on line at:
<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/Z8PBPXK>





INTRODUCING THE HILTON VALLEY ESTATE MANAGEMENT COMPANY

Did you know when you bought your property at Hilton Valley you became a member of the Hilton Valley Estate Management Company?

The Hilton Valley Estate Management Company has been set up to manage and maintain areas of open space on site at Hilton Valley. Mainstay has also been appointed to deliver all aspects of estate management services.

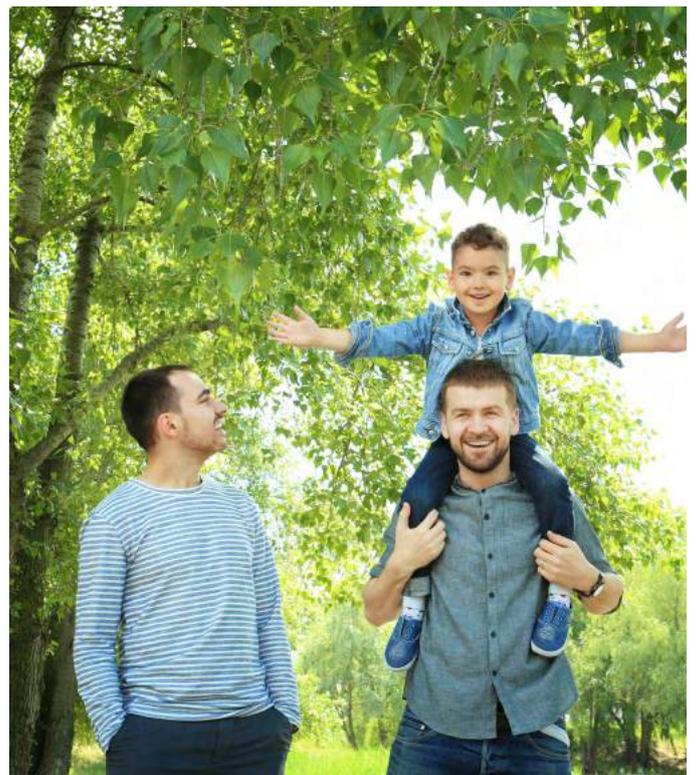
Eventually, the Hilton Valley Estate Management Company will work to the benefit of 480 new residential homes and will own the areas of open space and site infrastructure that are not adopted by the local authority (including areas open to the public). They'll also be responsible for general governance and secretarial duties.

Representatives of St. Modwen are currently acting as Directors of the Management Company. However, once the Hilton Valley development is complete, the Directors will be fully replaced by you, our residents.

As the Hilton valley community continues to grow, we would like to establish a Residents Working Group forum. The aim of this is to facilitate engagement between elected homeowners, who represent the community, and the managing partner, as well as any other local stakeholders. Discussions about management of the estate, as well as wider community issues and ideas for uses of the spaces, can all be explored.

If you are passionate about Hilton Valley, have a strong sense of community and can spare some of your time, we'd love for you to step forward and join the Residents Working Group forum. Acting as the voice for your fellow residents, the working group will help to shape the future of the Hilton Valley community.

To register your interest, please get in touch with us via Hiltonvalleyestates@stmodwen.co.uk





THE MEASE SPENCER ACADEMY TURNS TWO!

Guest editorial from Julia Hart, Principal of The Mease Spencer Academy: Now in our second year, we are well and truly settled in our beautiful new school on the corner of Carsington Road. As you may know, we opened with just one class of Reception children and will grow year on year as the children move through school – it will be 2025 before we are full!

At The Mease, our number one priority is building relationships and we want all our children to experience what it feels like to have respectful, caring relationships with others. We want them to question and challenge what they hear and see as they explore the world. We want them to develop a moral compass that helps them to be brave, independent and kind and gives them the resilience to grow, ask for help and to recognise when others need it too. And, of course, we want them to achieve personal success and always be the best they can possibly be.

The African proverb, "It takes a village to raise a child", is very true. We feel so fortunate that our Hilton Valley community and the wider village enable our children to experience and grow in a safe and healthy environment.

Recently, we were so disappointed that the restrictions imposed to tackle the Covid-19 pandemic meant we were unable to take part in the opening of the Hilton Valley open space. We can't wait to join up with the teams at St. Modwen and the Hilton Community Conservation Group in the future, to explore the woodland and bring our children on visits to the pond - watch this space!



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