

## **FoLaR UPDATE ON COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS (14<sup>th</sup> October 2024)**

FoLaR are in regular contact with the Council working with them to meet all the different demands on the Rec from biodiversity to sport to play to gardens that lift the soul. Below is an update on issues that have been resolved as well as some of the projects being looked at in the future.

1. The stopper (stops the gate swinging onto the footpath) on the RH gate at Latchmere Rd roundabout will be fixed shortly.
2. The closing mechanism on the gate nearer the café will be removed – as people were finding it too strong. We have also agreed that by not having an auto closing mechanism at all on this gate will enable those in wheelchairs to be able to enter as well as making it easier for bikes. We will put up a reminder notice on the gate asking people to close the gate afterwards. They are also looking at the middle Latchmere Lane gate.
3. Path repair will be done shortly. The puddling at gates will need to wait until there is budget approval. The plan is to put tarmac down (as well as building up the tarmac at the Latchmere Rd roundabout gates to stop puddling at both gates there).
4. The Council wardens are being asked to remove the graffiti in the toilet cubicles.
5. New caps will be provided on two football pole holders that are a hazard to other users. Removal of protruding metal near the boundary on Latchmere Lane will also be removed.