

## **Friends of Radford's Green Environment (FoRGE)**

### **Purposes and Aims**

Friends of Radford's Green Environment (FoRGE) is a community group set up by residents of Radford Semele. The purpose of the group is to be an active and constructive force in the shaping and developing of the village environment and its green spaces.

The group acts for the benefit of the community and local wildlife.

#### **FoRGE Aims:**

- To promote, enhance and, where possible, improve and extend the green environment of Radford Semele for community enjoyment and safety, and to support wildlife. Areas include the village's parks, public walkways and land under development.
- To improve access to nearby green corridors such as the National Cycle Network (Route 41 Offchurch Greenway) & the Grand Union Canal.
- To address flood risk in the village by seeking advice on ways to prevent this and raising the issue with all planning agencies.
- To provide a community voice in shaping the development of the village as a green and safe environment in which to live.
- To enable residents to be better informed about the development of the village in relation to its (and their) green spaces.

#### **We shall do this by:**

- Working with local councils, agencies, landowners and property developers to voice community interests for a green and safe living environment.
- Consulting the village about and seeking support for our ideas for improving green spaces.
- Identifying and raising funds, and securing relevant permissions, to implement improvements and enhancements to the village environment.

#### **Management and Membership of FoRGE**

FoRGE is managed by a steering group of members, currently Emma Nelson, Dave Steele, Judy Steele, Naomi Northey.

Membership of the group shall be open to all village residents. People beyond the village with an interest in supporting the group's aims shall be welcomed as associate members.