



Press Release

Eco Pod in Denham Country Park

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There is a new “hotel” for wildlife in Denham Country Park. Our new Eco Pod is now finished and whilst we are all very pleased to have an ice cream kiosk for when the sun comes out the bug hotel is sure to be an even bigger hit with the wildlife in the park. Covering one side of the Pod there are birds nests under the nooks and crannies for sizes and shapes of bugs, birds and maybe even bats. Coupled with a living roof nestled under our Heron Statue it is a real haven.

The Pod was made possible with a grant from the Veolia Environmental Trust which was given to Groundwork South who managed the project. It was brought to life however by the considerable time volunteered by Graham Chesterman to manage the project and Mike Shadbolt whose imaginative design and craftsmanship made the artistic building. Whilst the container which forms the base of this project had travelled the world before settling in Denham Country Park, the wood which clads it only came two miles from Black Park. The project was also supported by the Friends of the Colne Valley Park.

As soon as the weather warms up the kiosk will be open selling ice creams and tea and coffee and the small community room will be available to hire for local community groups or parties in the park. The Eco Pod will also be used for a wide variety of imaginative craft activities put on by the Colne Valley Visitor Centre.

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PICTURES ATTACHED

EDITOR'S NOTES

About Groundwork South

We provide training and create jobs, reduce energy and waste, reconnect people with nature and transform whole neighbourhoods. Step by step we'll go on changing places and changing lives until everywhere is vibrant and green, every community is strong enough to shape its own destiny and everyone can reach their potential.

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Bug Hotels



Graham Chesterman cutting the opening ribbon



Opening of the Eco Pod



New Eco Pod Ice Cream Kiosk