



Danish Scurvy Grass
Jean Oliver



Good News 1

As you see Spring is happening .



Ground Ivy
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Good News 2

- I took the snaps of the Primroses before meeting with North Somerset Council officers to discuss Health and Safety on site.
- What is really reassuring is their insistence that **they really appreciate what a wonderful job we are doing and how much we've achieved.**
- Once the Risk assessments are fully completed we'll be back to work!
 - They don't want to be difficult but have to abide by modern rules.
 - Very special exceptions are being made for us and the same support will not be extended to any other volunteer group.
- Nothing has been completely resolved yet but here are the proposals
 - 40mph permanent limit from St. George's Hill traffic lights to Junction 19 M5.
 - Temporary 30mph restrictions when we are working – that requires 10 days' notice.
 - More areas will be cut by contractor with extendable tractor flail to keep us off the steeper bits.
- What is new is that the Health and Safety rules will be very much more strict.
 - Nearly all work including raking, litter-picking and surveying will need Traffic Management (cones & signs) which will require a temporary 30mph to be implemented – that requires 10 days' notice.
 - Details of volunteers' sign- in sheets and medical forms must be sent to NSC after all workparties.
 - Surveying will be allowed for groups of up to 3, who will have to comply with lesser Traffic Management requirements.
 - Lone working is forbidden!
 - Anyone visiting independently is, of course, at liberty to do so but can't use Flower Bank high-vis and do so at their own risk.

Good News 3 – lockdown is easing and most of us have at least one job!

Good News 4



St George's Flower Bank Local Nature Reserve: 30 years of road verge management by a local community
Giles Morris

Good News 5

We've got copies of Annie's book –
A good Easter present!



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Happy Easter
Stay safe
Bob

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