

Long Lane Car Park Refurbishment

As part of Ringwood Town council's continued support to Ringwood Town FC, it was agreed the outstanding loan would be cancelled in exchange for the creation of additional car parking space and assistance by the club in creating the car park. Local councilor Richard Frampton superbly managed the project and provided all the heavy equipment and consumables necessary for completion of the work.

Shown across and below are a series of pictures that illustrate the transition of the car park from mounds of rubble and weed to a very impressive looking car park.



The existing playing field and overgrown mounds of dirt, the picture doesn't give a true representation of the space wasted by the mounds.

Rubble dumped at the football club by the council had the dual benefit of saving the cost of disposal and providing material to form the base of the car park and drainage



Creation of the sound suppression banks at the rear of the car park, this work was already underway by the time the photographer turned up, proving one mans early start is another mans mid morning

The car park is starting to take shape,



The soil removed to form the car park proved to be of superb quality and several lorry loads were taken away by local farmers and the council, much of it was used at Bickerley. Another example of the win win nature of the project.



Day 3 and the area is now starting to look like a car park and with the removal of the excess soil the area looks significantly bigger. However the worker in chief, Cllr Frampton, was caught taking a break and having only completed 5 hours of solid work and was promptly chastised by one of the Ringwood Town committee.



The finished article, an incredible transformation in just under 4 days of continuous work.



Finally, Steve Simpson pushes his luck with a very helpful Cllr Frampton and some renovations are made to the existing carpark

Ringwood Town FC would like to offer sincere thanks to Ringwood Town Council and in particular, Richard Frampton, for their help and funding in providing the additional car parking space that will be extensively used by a large number of Ringwood locals and visitors from visiting teams. On busy weekends it is not unusual for 500 hundred cars and well over 1000 people to use these facilities. This also represents a fantastic advertising opportunity for local business.

Ringwood Town Council are delighted that by working together we have been able to achieve a significant improvement at Long Lane, which can only benefit all users and visitors to the site. In addition we have managed to create a bund at the end of the car park, which should reduce the noise emanating from the ground, which will be a great benefit to residents in the area.