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## PRESS RELEASE

### **SANDBACH PARK ENHANCEMENT PROJECT**

#### **Consultation drop-in session for people and community organisations who have an interest in improving the park**

Sandbach Partnership, working closely with Sandbach Town Council and Cheshire East Council, is undertaking a project to enhance Sandbach Park. The project recognises the important role that Sandbach Park could provide, in strengthening leisure opportunities, encouraging healthy living, and enhancing the image and distinctiveness of the town and its retail economy.

Sandbach Partnership has appointed Ryder Landscape Consultants Ltd to undertake public consultation and to develop concept designs which are built on a sound understanding of its local importance and what local people desire.

There is approximately £230,000 committed to the delivery of park enhancements and it is anticipated that further external funding can be generated.

Ryder Landscape Consultants are now undertaking a series of meetings, telephone conversations and site walk-about sessions in the park during December to understand how the park is currently used and what types of improvement would assist encourage more use of the park throughout the year.

Individuals and groups who use the park are now invited to attend an informal drop-in session at Marriott House Veterans' Association Club House in Sandbach Park on Thursday 17 December 2009 between 10am - 7pm.

Weather permitting; there will also be the opportunity to take a walk around the park with one of the Landscape Architects to look at specific items. The provisional time for this is 2:30pm to catch daylight.

People who do not currently use the park but might want to do in the future are also welcome.

Information received from the consultation process will inform the preparation of a draft park masterplan in readiness for public exhibition in February 2010.

Anybody unable to attend the drop-in session can still register comments by visiting consultation displays now located at Sandbach Library and Sandbach Leisure Centre during normal opening hours up to 22 December.

Questionnaire surveys can also be completed on the Sandbach Town Council website [www.sandbach.gov.uk/partnership](http://www.sandbach.gov.uk/partnership)

Alternatively letters, emails or telephone calls with your comments by Thursday 17 December to:

- Alice Cooper, Ryder Landscape Consultants Ltd, 38 City Road, Chester, CH1 3AE Tel: 01244 304191 or Email: [acooper@ryderlandscape.co.uk](mailto:acooper@ryderlandscape.co.uk)

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