

Silver Court

Members of the Silver Court Residents Association were overjoyed with the result of a recent project where they live in Caledonian in Glascote Heath.

The residents of the over 55's scheme were eager to have a summerhouse installed so that they had a suitable spot to "meet for a chat and have a cuppa outside" whatever the weather.

One resident was able to strike up an impressive deal when purchasing the new summerhouse after getting in contact with Planters Garden Centre. This was seen as a magnificent coup and saved a lot of money from their funds which they raise themselves.

The community garden, located in the middle of the houses, is on sloping land and the area for the summerhouse needed levelling out before anything else could be put in place. All the residents at Silver Court were keen to get involved and see the project underway.

To start off, the group needed to find some paving slabs, sand and labour in order to lay the foundations. This led to one resident taking the initiative to approach Stuart Etheridge the Community Development Officer for the local area. Stuart put out a request for help and had a great response. There were several offers of help including the Council's Property Services who donated some paving slabs and Morrison facilities services came up trumps when they offered labour and materials to get the site ready. It wasn't long before staff from Morrison turned up at Silver Court and swiftly got the project started. They did a magnificent job of laying the base ready for the summerhouse.

Since then, the plucky residents at Silver Court have weatherproofed and erected the new summerhouse and they tell me they had much fun and games putting it together! There has been a real community spirit for all those involved and residents at Silver Court are very grateful. This will be a great new facility which will be enjoyed for many years to come.