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Bluebell Project – Compton Copse

2020



Image above shows size of 2-year-old immature Bluebell bulbs.

During October 2020, three thousand of these immature bulbs were planted shallowly into the root plate area around the tree. In the photo below this area is the paler central area.

Digging in this area was not an option because of the roots. So it was prepared with more shredded leaves than elsewhere. As a result, the surface of this ground had become a thick layer of friable decayed shredded leaves and decayed twigs; the nearest we could achieve to what happens in natural woodland.



1.9.2020 – Volunteers preparing ground for planting mature Bluebell bulbs. Stable manure and decayed shredded leaves from the parkland, were dug into top 10" of soil. The ground was found to be in much better condition following earlier repeated dressings of decaying shredded leaves. There were lots of worms, skinny red and pale fat ones. Hurray, this project depends on the leaves and the worms!



7. 1.2021 – After planting 5 thousand mature bulbs around the site's perimeter: Waiting!?



17.1.2021 - Bluebell shoots emerging. 4 copies of the notice below are pinned on posts.



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Thousands of British Bluebell bulbs have been planted in this area for everyone to enjoy. Their green shoots are now emerging. The posts are to discourage footfall over this area while the Bluebells get established.

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