



Biodiversity & Green Spaces

Diss Community Woodland Project, owners of Quaker Wood on Factory Lane, has acquired the woodland, near Denmark Lane, now known as Bombard Copse. The site will be managed for community enjoyment and nature conservation.

Later this year, the charity will consult the local community and carry out a biodiversity survey. Supported by grants from Diss Surveyors Allotment Charity and the Norfolk Community Foundation's Greening Our Communities Fund.

More information: www.quakerwood.org.uk



Bombard Copse.
Photo Credit: Gemma Waterman

An agreement is now in place with DCWP to manage the heritage gardens, ensuring these valued spaces are carefully maintained and enhanced for future generations.

Along the boardwalk, we will be restoring a smaller number of floating planters to protect the boardwalk and ease ongoing maintenance, while also introducing new aquatic plants in the Park to reduce water saturation and increase biodiversity.

Signs of spring are already starting to show! Spring bulbs should be appearing very soon on the other side of the Park by the road, nestled between the trees.

Upcoming Projects...

- Skate Park repairs are scheduled to commence 9th February.
- The Flock sculpture on Mere's Mouth will receive a full clean this month.
- The old and decaying wooden and metal planters around the town centre are to be replaced with 4 recycled plastic self watering planters along with new plants.

Diss Carnival '26... Game On!

Diss Carnival Parade & Fun Day returns on Sunday 7th June 2026 with an exciting new theme, "Game On Diss", celebrating all sports, games, and community fun. 2026 marks the 60th anniversary of England's 1966 World Cup win, making it the perfect time to celebrate sporting history alongside modern games and creativity.

From football, rugby, cricket, and tennis to BMX biking, cheerleading, golf, bowling, gymnastics, board games, and computer games - choose your favourite sport or hobby and bring it to life in the parade.

The Fun Day promises free family fun, stalls, live entertainment, and have-a-go activities inspired by sports and carnival silliness.

Applications open online Thursday 12th February: [Diss Carnival](#)

- Stallholders: deadline 6th March 2026
- Procession participants: deadline 30th April 2026

Stay in the game:

- Follow @DissCarnival on Facebook & Instagram
- Visit www.diss.gov.uk/diss-carnival

Celebrate sports, teamwork, and community spirit - Diss style! Game on!

A Chance To Have Your Say

Diss' **Annual Town Meeting** will take place on Wednesday 29th April 2026 at Diss Corn Hall, 6pm.

- Display stands from local organisations sharing information on their services.
- Find out what your local councils have been working on in the last year and future projects lined up for Diss.
- Celebrate the best of Diss as this year's Honoured Citizen Award winners are recognised for their dedication and efforts in the community.

And finally - have your say at our Q&A session with representatives from the town council, district and county councils.

Diss Matters Spring/Summer Edition '26

We're looking for local events and community news stories to feature in our Spring/Summer Diss Matters magazine, scheduled for delivery to all Diss households in April.

If you have something you'd like to feature, please get in touch for more information!

Articles must be received by 6th March 2026.

