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Press Release

TULIPS TO RETURN TO DARTMOUTH PARK

Dartmouth Park used to be renowned for its wonderful Tulip displays, but some years ago a decision was made to stop planting bulbs in Sandwell Parks. The Friends decided they would like to see these colourful displays return in Spring 2009. They got permission from the Parks Department and purchased 200 Tulip Bulbs, which they thought was quite a lot of bulbs, but this is just enough to plant in the beds outside the Reform Street Lodge. Here is Tom Bagley and Robert (Nobby) Nock planting the bulbs on a bright October afternoon, under the watchful eye of Betty Finney, Committee Member of the Friends of Dartmouth Park.



Nobby and Tom
planting the tulip bulbs
under the watchful eye of
Friends Committee
Member, Betty Finney.

Tom has been with the Parks Department for 36 years, with nine of those in Dartmouth Park, and 'Nobby' has worked in the park for eight years. Tom and Nobby work very hard to keep the park neat and tidy, and their responsibility doesn't end with maintaining the flowerbeds, they're also responsible for clearing the park of litter, which is like painting the Forth Bridge. As you can imagine, Tom and Nobby are delighted that the money is now available to restore the park and they're look forward to work commencing on the project in 2009.

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