

Fit for a £40k revamp



CASH BOOST: Victoria Park and, left, Shelly Quinton-Hulme

VISITORS to a green spot won't just be taking in the view when they drop by – they could also be getting fit thanks to a £40k boost.

The Friends of Victoria Park group is planning a host of improvements including a trim trail after winning two grants.

The Big Lottery Fund will be paying for the trail to be used by keen walkers and joggers as part of the £43,000 works.

It will also be used for a huge mural in the under-fives play area, 30 mosaic stepping stones with a wildlife theme and balance beams and a totem pole created by chain-saw artist Mick Burns.

The work is due to be unveiled in October.

A jubilant Shelly Quinton-Hulme, chairwoman of the

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Friends group, said: "This project will not only bring the community together in creating these new pieces of artwork for the park, but will also enable us to exercise and play together."

"The opening event planned for Halloween will be amazing, again allowing everyone the opportunity to come together to celebrate our lovely park."

"I can't wait to get started and am excited about every aspect of this project."

The Friends have also been given a further boost this time from Trafford Housing Trust.

It has given it £1,000 to provide drop-in bowling sessions the dates of which have yet to be finalised.