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Let's get fizzical

Coca-Cola army helps Kathleen plant her 600 trees

by LEWIS JONES



COCA-Cola employees Susan Renshaw and Jo Ford Mills (front) help plant ash saplings in Diggle with fellow workers Nick Scott, Matt Jackson, Saphir Cashman and Nick Crawley

will be benches for people to sit, relax and just enjoy the space.

"There were so many trees but I don't have 600 friends so the help from Coca-Cola was really appreciated, it was a brilliant day."

Kathleen, (62), who lives in Denton, bought the land in Huddersfield Road in 1982 as a place to keep her horses.

In May this year she registered The Diggers Charitable Trust to take care for sick or maltreated cats and sheep and promote conservation.

Project

Kathleen has funded the project from her own pocket, creating a memory garden for animals and pulling together a

raft of volunteers known as the Land Army. The determined charity champion even travels to Diggle twice a day to take care of the animals as well as juggling her day job and setting up a 10-strong folk group to promote the charity.

She said: "We perform little ditties about the projects and have even got videos on YouTube.

"It feels wonderful to think that a part of me will live on after I have gone."

Kathleen is looking forward to seeing the trees grow with experts predicting the wood should be established within 12 years.

To help the charity or for more information visit www.thediggers.co.uk.

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