

Chairman's Announcements

Subject:	Litter Picking
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Summary of announcement:

Community Litter Pick

Wiltshire Council and the Warminster Community Area Board wish to thank all the community groups who have participated in the 'Community Litter Pick' scheme over the years and for all the success that this has achieved.

The community groups in the Warminster area were some of the first to take part in the scheme and many areas have benefited from the Wiltshire Council and community group partnership working.

The Warminster Community Area Board would like to remind everyone of the scheme and the assistance which is available from Wiltshire Council.

If you are a community group and are keen to take part and improve your local area, Wiltshire Council can assist you by providing loan litter picking equipment and Hi Viz tops. The Council can provide information on how to undertake activities safely and arrange the collection of waste after the event. Any group interested should contact Mr Steve Pooler, Street Cleansing Technician, on 01722 434582 who will be pleased to help.

Examples of the 'Community Litter Pick' scheme and other community group cleanup activities being undertaken in Warminster are numerous, with a few being mentioned below:

- The Warminster Environmental Team, who are an established volunteer group carry out small 'clean up' projects around the town. There has been a lot of 'local press' in recent years about this group and the wonderful improvements they have made.
- The Warminster Cycling Group identifies areas and do litter picks on their routes. A great way to combine pleasure whilst looking after the environment.
- Various Schools in the Warminster area have undertaken clean ups. Warminster School have cleaned the town bus shelters and weeded the war memorial as part of their community curriculum
- Chapmanslade Village annually carry out a litter pick through the village, and a with a large number of parishes participating in the Britain in Bloom events and the Best Kept Village competition which are excellent events which focus the community on improving the local environment.

We apologise for not mentioning every group and all the wonderful work that is undertaken, without which the Warminster Community Area would not be the wonderful place that it is.

It's never too late to get involved, so come on and join in. We can all achieve more together.