

## Councillors Briefing Note No. 281

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### **'Clean for the Queen' 4 – 6 March 2016**

'Clean for the Queen' is a national campaign, launched by Country Life magazine and Keep Britain Tidy, to mark her Majesty's 90th birthday in June.

Wiltshire Council has been encouraging local communities through the area boards to participate in this campaign and to rally volunteers and groups to help clean up the county to mark the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.

The 'Clean for The Queen' events are scheduled to take place across the country this coming weekend (4, 5 and 6 March). Wiltshire has responded really well and clean ups have already started. On 18 February, 32 volunteers collected 44 large bags of litter from the Ivy Partnership Estate in Chippenham.

68 known events are scheduled to take place this weekend with around 1,400 people participating. There are also a further 40 events scheduled to take place after this weekend up to June.

To support the area boards and community volunteers a tool kit/information pack and a presentation guide for the local Community Engagement Managers to deliver/provide vital information are attached for information.

Local volunteers/groups are required to register their event (details of how to do this are in the tool kit).

Equipment to support a litter pick event, supplied by the Landscape Group, will be allocated via the local Community Engagement Manager. This includes high-vis tabards, gloves, litter grabbers, rubbish sacks, first aid kits, wipes and string. All reusable items will be collected and reallocated by the Community Engagement Manager.

Volunteers/groups will be briefed by the Community Engagement Managers to carry out risk assessments, to ensure they have insurance cover, and to communicate the locations for collection of the litter bags following the litter pick events.

### **Confirmed Clean for the Queen events:**

- Amesbury – three events – 25 people taking part
- Bradford on Avon – one event – 60 people taking part
- Calne – three events – 142 people taking part

- Chippenham – six events – 150 people taking part
- Corsham – four events – 55 people taking part
- Devizes – four events – 65 people taking part
- Malmesbury – three events
- Marlborough – one event – 12 people taking part
- Melksham – five events – 170 people taking part
- Pewsey – one event – 20 people taking part
- Royal Wootton Bassett – five events – 120 people taking part
- Salisbury – six events – 75 people taking part
- Southern Wiltshire – nine events - 180 people taking part
- Tidworth – three events – 155 people taking part
- Trowbridge – two events – 45 people taking part
- Warminster – eight events – 65 people taking part
- Westbury – three events – 60 people taking part

For more information about events taking place in your area please visit [www.cleanforthequeen.co.uk](http://www.cleanforthequeen.co.uk) (all events should be registered here).

If you want any further information about events happening in your local area please email [areboards@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:areboards@wiltshire.gov.uk) or contact your local Community Engagement Manager.