

Binfield Heath Parish Council

Litter pick round village: 02/02/19

Description:

Annual litter pick by councillors and volunteers around the village roads to tidy up verges and roadside spaces, between 10 and 12, starting outside shop. Hi-vis vests and pick sticks handed out. Litter collected in plastic bags for recycle and non-recycle items, collected at the end of the morning by volunteer with trailer and left in agreed place for SODC waste team to collect. No large or bulky or dangerous items collected – these are noted for special collection later.

Risk Assessment

Date of Assessment: 30.01.2019

Assessment carried out by: Elisabeth Ransom, vice chair, BHPC

| What are the hazards? | Who might be harmed and how? | What is planned already | Further action on day | Action by whom? | | |
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| Passing traffic | Volunteer litter pickers | All to wear hi-vis vests and take sensible precautions walking along the roads. All children to be accompanied by adults. | H&S and traffic awareness announcement at start | Council | | |
| Dangerous items | Volunteer litter pickers | Recommended to wear strong gloves, use pick sticks and avoid moving the following: Hyperdermics / large broken glass Dog waste Large bulky items | Dangerous item awareness advice at start Bulky or dangerous waste to be noted and reported for collection by SODC later. | Council | | |
| Slips, trips and falls | Volunteer litter pickers collecting from ditches. | Recommended to wear strong boots/shoes and not to over-reach across ditches and look out for overhanging branches | Reminder of wet conditions at start | Council | | |
| Hygiene | Volunteer litter pickers | Advised to wear gloves and to wash hands at end of litter pick. | Remiinder at start | Council | | |

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| First aid | Anyone who contacts sharp items or plants etc | Cuts, scratches, abrasions to be cleaned and disinfected, especially if in contact with water. | Remiinder at start | Council | | |
| Keeping highway clear | All road users | Volunteers to walk sensibly in single file at side of road. Filled bags to be left safely at side of road, on verge for collection | Reminder at start | Council | | |

All councillors and volunteer litter pickers are covered by the Parish Council insurance when taking part in this activity.