

Clean and Green Newsletter

January 2023

This newsletter is an update on work completed as part of the Clean and Green campaign which is running until March 2023.

Clean and Green Action Weeks

In January, the Clean and Green team visited Bathavon South, while also supporting other cleansing reports throughout B&NES.

The Clean and Green Response team responded to **128** reports in January related to overgrown vegetation, dirty signs, graffiti, and litter. Since June 6, the team have fixed and closed **856** related reports.



Sweeping completed along Freshford Lane footpath in Freshford



Weeding and sweeping completed along Bridge Place Road in Camerton



Overgrown vegetation removed along Bradford Road in Combe Down



Sweeping, weed removal and litter picking completed throughout Manor Park, Radstock



Overgrown vegetation removed from road signs throughout Camerton in Bathavon South



Dirty signs cleaned throughout Camerton in Bathavon South



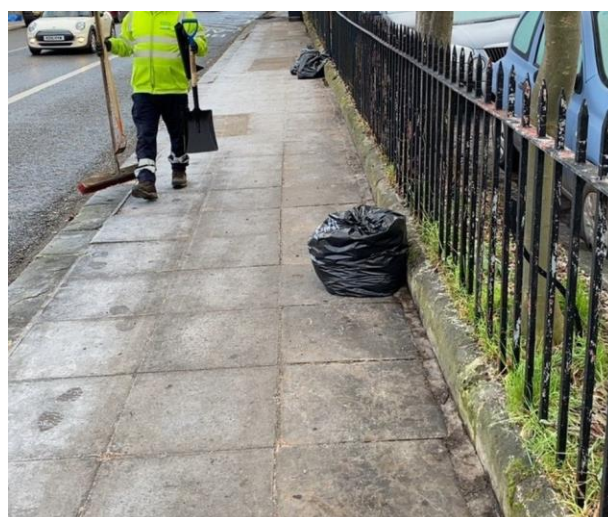
Sweeping completed along Fox Hill and Perrymead, Widcombe and Lyncombe



Overhanging vegetation cut back along North Parade in Bath city centre



Sweeping and weed removal completed along London Road from Morrisons up towards Grosvenor Place



Check out the Clean and Green [videos](#) to find out more about the work the team are doing across B&NES. Please visit the council's [Report it page](#) to report a public highway or cleansing issue.

Community Action

The Clean and Green team continue to join local volunteers and schools to do litter picking and weed removal in the community. In January, the team collaborated with High Littleton Primary School, Plastic Free High Littleton, and St Julian's Church School.

High Littleton Primary School

On January 24, the team did a joint litter pick with 60 school children from High Littleton Primary School (the largest number of volunteers the Clean and Green team have supported so far). The primary school carries out regular litter picks and have recently been awarded the Green Flag Award.



Plastic Free High Littleton

On January 26, the Clean and Green team supported Plastic Free High Littleton volunteers. The volunteers commenced litter picking from the Star Inn car park in High Littleton and helped clear areas in Eastover Road, Southover Road, Greyfield Road, New Road, Scrumbrum Lane and Rotcombe Lane. In total, **13** bags of litter were collected.



St Julian's Church School

On January 30, the team joined the Eco, Ethos and Equalities team from St Julian's Church Primary School in Wellow to do a community litter pick. The 25 school children participated in clearing litter along Wellow's High Street, Bull's Hill, and on the grounds of St Julian's Church and Wellow Recreation area.



Please contact CleanAndGreen@Bathnes.gov.uk if you would like to know more about this campaign and to find out how you can get involved, or visit our [organise a litter pick web page](#) for more information about organising a litter pick and how to borrow equipment.

Highways Maintenance and Drainage

Highways services have been continuing to do routine gully emptying and refreshing road markings. The team inspected **1014** gullies of which we were able to clean **963**.

From the 150 street name plates which were ordered, the team have recently installed another batch of these signs to spruce up the B&NES area. Please see some of the areas below, which have received these resources.



New street name plates installed in Hutton Close, Lytes Cary Road and Tilley Close

Check out these [short films](#) to learn more about what the Highways team get up to across B&NES.

Graffiti Removal

Free graffiti removal is still available for domestic properties and at cost charges for commercial properties.

To request graffiti removal from a domestic or commercial building, we need the property owner to fill out our [online form](#). Our Graffiti Removal Officer also continues to respond to reports of graffiti in public spaces, while the Clean and Green Response team address smaller graffiti removal jobs, which they can do with graffiti removal wipes. Please visit the Council's [report it page](#) to report graffiti on public property.



Gum Litter Removal

Street Cleansing have been able to purchase a gum removal machine through the Clean and Green investment. The machine can remove one piece of gum in 15 seconds. The Street Cleansing team have started clearing hotspot areas for gum litter in Bath City Centre, including Westgate Street, George Street and near the Guildhall.



Dog Fouling

The Clean and Green team have been working with Keep Britain Tidy to implement their targeted interventions including their Dog Fouling campaign. While in Paulton, the team put up some signs along a footpath known for dog fouling to help tackle the problem.

If you would like to request a dog fouling sign, please email CleanAndGreen@bathnes.gov.uk



Community Feedback

The Clean and Green team continue to receive positive feedback from the community in keeping the B&NES area tidy, which the team really appreciate.

"Your team have done an outstanding job in cleaning the steps and paths around Calton Gardens and Walk and Holloway in the past days. [December cleansing action] The look and feel of the place have enormously improved. Many thanks to all concerned." Widcombe and Lyncombe, B&NES resident.

"The sweepers visited today and did an excellent job... Please do pass on my thanks to the crew - they were very efficient." Weston, B&NES resident.

"Excellent service by you and your team" Paulton & Peasedown Neighbourhood Police Team.

"Thank you for all of your help, please pass on this message to team - they've done a fantastic job and it is much appreciated, it really looks so much better, and we are really pleased with what they have done." B&NES resident referring to work completed at the Weston Recreation Ground by the Clean and Green Response Team.

Communications

Visit our [Clean and Green webpage](#) for more information about the 12-month campaign.

Follow our social media pages, which are listed below, for updates on #CleanAndGreen action.

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