

# Clean and Green Newsletter

## June 2022

Our Clean and Green Campaign launched on May 23, 2022. The campaign runs until March 2023 using a one-off £950,000 investment to tackle priorities across the Parks, Highways, and Cleansing Services. This newsletter is an update on works completed so far as part of the campaign.

### Clean and Green Action Weeks

In addition to our routine cleansing, our new Clean and Green team of three cleansing operatives have been spending time in each ward across B&NES to respond to cleansing priorities such as sweeping, weeding, and litter picking.

We have completed our fourth action week in Bathavon North and Saltford. We have also visited Peasedown and Paulton, Mendip and Chew Valley, and Timsbury and High Littleton. The crew have received lots of positive feedback from residents while completing work.

Check out the below before and after pictures.



Weed removal completed on Lansdown Crescent, Timsbury



Sweeping and weed removal completed from bus shelter on The Crescent, High Littleton

We are now in Widcombe and Lyncombe, and Moorlands for our fifth action week. Please continue to send your priority areas for cleansing within your wards to [CleanAndGreen@Bathnes.gov.uk](mailto:CleanAndGreen@Bathnes.gov.uk)

## Response Team

Parks also have a new Response team who are responding to reports of overhanging vegetation and cleaning of signs in each ward. The team recently cleaned signs throughout Peasedown St John and have responded to **96** reports, in relation to overhanging vegetation and cleaning of signs since June 6.



Before and after pictures of signs cleaned throughout Peasedown St John



Overgrown vegetation removed on Bath Road, Peasedown



Weed removal completed on Carter Road, Paulton

Please visit the Council's [report it page](#) to report a public highway or cleansing issue. Response times have been reduced.

## Community Action

There is an opportunity to bring councillors, local volunteers, and council staff together for a litter pick or to do some weed removal during the action weeks in each cluster ward. Please let us know if you have any community actions planned in your wards and we would love to come along and support if possible.

We are continuing to work with #NoPlaceForLitter (a volunteering network for all the groups that help with litter clearance) to provide everything needed to [organise a community litter pick](#). Community weed removal equipment is also now available to borrow through #NoPlaceforLitter. Each kit includes four hoes, two types of brushes, and a shovel. Volunteers will also be provided with garden waste sacks so weeds can be composted. Please contact your local hub to borrow equipment.

We had our first Clean and Green joint litter pick in Temple Cloud on June 14th.



## Highways Maintenance and Drainage

Highways services are now able to do more routine gully emptying, repairing of signs, and painting of road markings due to the extra investment.

### Highways Statistics:

- In the last year, **100** new nameplates have been installed. A further **50** are in the process of being ordered.
- Highways have responded to two requests from the Clean & Green Team to attend to **10** gullies at High Park, Paulton and **80** at West Harptree.
- The Clean & Green funding has allowed Highways to increase the frequency of cleansing for **640** gullies from every other year to annually.
- To date this financial year, Highways have attended to nearly **4,500** gullies along the A4, A36 & A37 and in Peasedown, Radstock & Chew Valley wards.

## Communications

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