

Green Team March 2022 Newsletter

Our Mission

The Green Team is a team of both core and ad hoc volunteers who help look after and maintain the green spaces in Whitchurch-on-Thames. Coming together in this way also encourages a sense of community and is a good way of getting to know people.

What's Happened Recently

The extreme changes of weather continued, but included an extended period of warm sunny days.. Thank you to everyone who's been helping out. Tasks have included:

- Mounting bird boxes and digging and planting a hornbeam hedge at the Polish Garden
- Cutting down a falling tree at the bottom of Muddy Lane
- Extracting hazel and privet, and cutting up and stacking hawthorn, at the beacon site
- Meeting and briefing potential contractors for resurfacing Muddy Lane
- Digging over the flower bed near the entrance to the Village Green car park
- Work party at the Village Green south end, digging out holly and removing brambles from here and along Eastfield Lane

How you can help!

This is the Spring 2022 working party schedule so far - you can always find the up-to-date version on the village website Whats On section:

- tba - further site preparation for the beacon
- tba - further work preparing the orchard at the Polish Garden
- 2 April - Maze working party
- 30 April - Village Green working party (south end)

Get involved!

We are still looking for people who live near or often enjoy a particular green space to become a maintainer or guardian of an area. This involves keeping an eye out for things that need doing, interacting with me and the rest of the Green Team to plan any working parties or help that's needed.

The highlighted Green Space in need of a Guardian this month is Manor Road entrance and south side verges. This requires sweeping and trimming back vegetation. If you want to help look after it please drop me a line!

Find out more

Visit our page on the village website <https://whitchurchonthames.com/groups/greenteam.html> or contact Charles on charles_cotgreave@yahoo.co.uk, 0118 984 2934 or 07770 648722.