

Green Team May 2021 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

Charles Cotgreave (contact details at the end of this email) has very volunteered to take on the Green Team Coordinator role from me moving forwards. Many thanks Charles!

We are now allowed to re-start working parties, just in time as the rain and sun has meant things are starting to grow profusely! A big thank you to everyone who's been helping out, these tasks include;

- Working party at the Maze to edge the grass and clear the area
- Working Party at the Village Green North end to clear fallen trees and create wood piles for wildlife
- Working Party at the Polish Church Garden to put up a temporary information sign, clear a path through the trees, tend to the saplings, clear deadwood and create log piles for wildlife
- A trellis has been put on the wall at the corner of Hardwick Road and the High Street for climbing plants to be planted. The area has also been cleared a little so access to the bench is clear.

How you can help!

This is the Spring/Summer 2021 working party schedule so far - you can always find the up to date version on the village website Whats On section;

- 22nd May 10am Hardwick Road North Verges (opposite west entrance to Swanston field) - bring gardening gloves and loppers and a saw if possible. If you have space in your Brown Bin for waste that would be appreciated!
- 5th June 10am Maze - wear gloves, no tools required
- 3rd July 10am Maze - wear gloves, no tools required
- 7th August 10am Maze - wear gloves, no tools required

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 Charles 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 Muddy Lane. If you love Muddy Lane or often use it and 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.