

Green Team May 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 weather has continued to be variable, with some days of heavy rain. The rate of growth has increased dramatically. Thank you to everyone who's been helping out. Tasks have included:

- Maze working party
- Adding to the plants in the flower bed at the Village Green car park, and establishing a second bed nearby, using donated plants
- Weeding the flower beds and oiling the bench at the entrance to Walliscote House driveway
- Watering plants and trees at the Polish Garden, and mowing paths and picnic table surrounds
- Removing invasive plants and unwanted saplings at the Green and on both sides of the beech hedge along Eastfield Lane
- Removing cow parsley that was obstructing traffic visibility at the corner of Hardwick Road and the High Street
- Constructing the beacon at the Jubilee beacon site

How you can help!

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

- tba - further work at the Polish Garden
- 4 June - Maze working party
- 28 May - Village Green or Jubilee beacon working party

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.