

# Green Team April 2022 Newsletter

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## **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, including an extended period of warm sunny days. The rate of growth has increased up noticeably. Thank you to everyone who's been helping out. Tasks have included:

- Maze working party
- Re-digging the flower bed at the Village Green car park, replanting it with geraniums, and recovering the ferns and cotoneaster
- Disposing of waste material (brambles and other unwanted plants) at the Green
- Clearing all hawthorn and brambles from the Jubilee beacon site
- Mowing grass, planting five heritage apple trees and digging and planting new bedding strips to either side of the chapel platform steps at the Polish Chapel Garden

## **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 preparation for the beacon
- tba - further work at the Polish Garden
- 7 May - Maze working party
- 14 May - working party at the entrance to Walliscote House driveway
- 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](mailto:charles_cotgreave@yahoo.co.uk), 0118 984 2934 or 07770 648722.