

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

A big thank you to all the volunteers who've helped with these tasks over the past month, this has included;

- Working party and individual work at the Village Green; clearing away brambles, hollies, sycamores, thistles and ragwort in the wild area. Removing intruding plants around the car park. Removing brambles and nettles by the Beech Hedge.
- Working party at the maze, strimming, edging and tidying
- Working party at the Manor Road Verge (near the high Street Junction) to remove brambles, nettles and other plants that are taking over and stopping the other 50+ species from thriving.
- Lots of other tidying, weeding, watering and litter picking
- Since yesterday the cutting up and removal of fallen trees around the village by residents!
- The build of the memorial base for the Polish Church started this month. More information about this project and it's plans can be found here; <https://whitchurchonthames.com/groups/polishgarden.html> Please contact me if you'd like to get involved!

How you can help!

We have a few more working parties for the diary. We'd love to see you at one!

All are held at 10am unless stated otherwise. Please bring your own gardening gloves and, if possible, bags or bins to take plant waste away. Other tools you can bring, if you have them, are detailed below.

5th Sept - Maze (tools; lawn edger and broom)

12th Sept - Entrance to Wallingscote Drive (tools; secateurs/loppers and fork/trowel)

13th Sept - **2pm** - Village Litter Pick, meet outside the Greyhound

19th Sept - Village Green (tools; secateurs/loppers and fork/trowel)

3rd Oct - Maze

17th Oct - Village Green

7th Nov - Maze

21st Nov - Village Green

Guidelines that all working party attendees must adhere to for the safety of everyone in the village can be found in the attached document.

There are still small tasks that can be done by individuals or households available, if you are interested in helping with those just drop me a line!

Let me know any questions - about working parties or any of the volunteer work we do in the village - and I look forward to seeing some of you soon!

Get involved!

We are looking for people who live near or often enjoy a particular green space to become a maintainer or guardian of an area. These volunteers might do small Green Team tasks in the area themselves when they have time (e.g. weeding, cutting back, litter picking) but also work with me to plan what regular work is needed each year in the area and to help input to the working party schedule. The list of open spaces needing guardians is here, let me know if you are interested in an area! <https://whitchurchonthames.com/>

[groups/greenteam.html](https://whitchurchonthames.com/groups/greenteam.html)

Find out more

Visit our page on the village website <https://whitchurchonthames.com/groups/greenteam.html> or contact me on 07557 852600 or alexa@ontherunhealthandfitness.co.uk

Alexa and the rest of the Green Team

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