

# Green Team August 2021 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**

We are still dealing with the luxuriant growth brought on by alternating rain and sunshine. A big thank you to everyone who's been helping out. Tasks have included:

- Working parties at the Polish Garden to clear ragwort and teasels/thistles
- Working party at the Maze to edge the grass and clear the area
- Trimming shrubs and clearing ivy from pavement on Manor Road (south side)
- Working party at the Village Green south end: continuing to remove invasive plants; cutting and digging out small sycamores and limes in spinneys
- Completing sanding and applying protective oil to the bench near the entrance to Walliscote House

## **How you can help!**

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

- 4th September 10am Maze - wear gloves, no tools required
- 25th September 10am - Village Green working party
- 9th October 10am Maze - wear gloves, no tools required
- 16th October 10am Manor Road north side verges
- 23rd October 10am - Village Green 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 the Manor Road (south side). This will require periodic trimming and clearing by the Green Team. 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.