

## Voluntary Litter Picking Policy for Community Groups



1. This policy exists to support community groups with voluntary litter picking activities.
2. The council gives advice on risk assessment, public liability insurance and other matters – by agreeing to support an activity it does not mean the council is responsible for it – that responsibility belongs to the organisers.
3. The council requires the completion of the Litter picking form as shown on the councils website.
4. Waste management will supply upon request: -
  - a) Plastic refuse and recycling sacks
  - b) Protective disposable gloves.

Waste Management will also loan for the duration of the activity: -

- a) Hi visibility Vests
- b) Hand use sack hoops (to keep the sack open)
- c) Litter pickers

These individual items are on loan and need to be fully returned to the council otherwise the organisers will be charged for their replacement. Organisers will be required to agree to this before the equipment will be delivered.

5. Waste Management will also take away waste & recycling that is collected in line with its instructions issued at the time of agreeing to support an activity if the waste & recycling is from:-
  - a) Public Highway
  - b) Other public land (such as District, Parish or Town council land)
6. No litter generated from b above after any event held on that particular land will be collected. Also we will collect only from any particular land once in 9 months. This is to ensure “voluntary litter picks” are not being used by the landowner to avoid their legal responsibility to keep land clear of litter and refuse.
7. No waste from private land or other statutory or similar landowners will be taken. They will be responsible for any waste collected.