

FENLAND DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Litter heroes assemble in Fenland for the 2022 Great British Spring Clean

Fenland's litter heroes will be rolling up their sleeves later this month when they join the nationwide Great British Spring Clean – and here's how you can be part of the pick!

Several of Fenland District Council's volunteer Street Pride groups will be holding community litter picks as part of Keep Britain Tidy's campaign, which takes place from 25 March to 10 April.

Now in its seventh year, the Great British Spring Clean bring together individuals, community organisations, businesses, and councils to take action against people's rubbish, and make a real difference to the environment on our doorstep.

This year, Keep Britain Tidy has launched a #BigBagChallenge, encouraging everyone to pledge each bag they will pick online during the course of the campaign.

In Fenland, we're looking to support and encourage litter heroes to take part. Residents and groups can either join one of the Street Pride litter picks or hold their own. The Council is happy to loan litter-picking equipment to those holding their own and will arrange to have any filled refuse and recycling bags collected after their pick.

Cllr Peter Murphy, the Council's Portfolio Holder for the Environment, said: "In recent years outdoor places and green spaces have mattered more than ever, which is why it's great to see local people come together to help maintain the quality of their environment.

"We're big fans of the Great British Spring Clean, so we're encouraging everyone locally to get involved. We're incredibly fortunate in Fenland to have some fantastic volunteer Street Pride groups which help us to keep the district clean and green, but together we can make even more of a difference."

Join a community litter pick:

- Gorefield Street Pride – Saturday 26 March at 10am. Meet at Gorefield Community Centre.
- Friday Bridge (also chance to set up official Street Pride group if there's enough interest) – Saturday 2 April at 10am. Meet in The Chequers Inn car park.
- Murrow Street Pride – Saturday 26 March at 10am. Meet in The Bell Inn car park.
- Chatteris Street Pride – Saturday 2 April at 10am. Meet at Church Lane car park.
- Wimblington Street Pride – Saturday 9 April at 10am. Meet at the Parish Hall in Addison Road.
- Wisbech St Mary Street Pride – Saturday 9 April at 10.30am. Meet at Wisbech St Mary School car park, Churchfield Way.

For more information on joining a Street Pride litter pick, email: streetpride@fenland.gov.uk

Setting up your own litter pick:

- Email the Council at streetpride@fenland.gov.uk and let us know:
 - The name of your group (if applicable)
 - The date and time of your litter pick
 - The area you will be litter picking
- Register your pick on the official [Great British Spring Clean website](#)

We will support your pick by providing refuse and recycling sacks and loaning litter-picking equipment and will arrange to have any filled sacks collected afterwards.

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