



Community Group Newsletter

January 23

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Welcome to the first issue of 2023 – I would like to begin by wishing you all a happy new year.

Thank you all sincerely for your efforts over the past year. What you have achieved has been brilliant and I look forward to seeing what this year has in store.

Rebecca Robinett
Street Pride Co-ordinator

December Highlights

Whittlesey Street Pride held their annual Christmas Social evening in December for a well deserved group celebration of their work.

Whittlesey In Bloom utilised marketing opportunities from festive events by decorating a Christmas tree for display at St Mary's Church Christmas Tree Festival.

Housekeeping

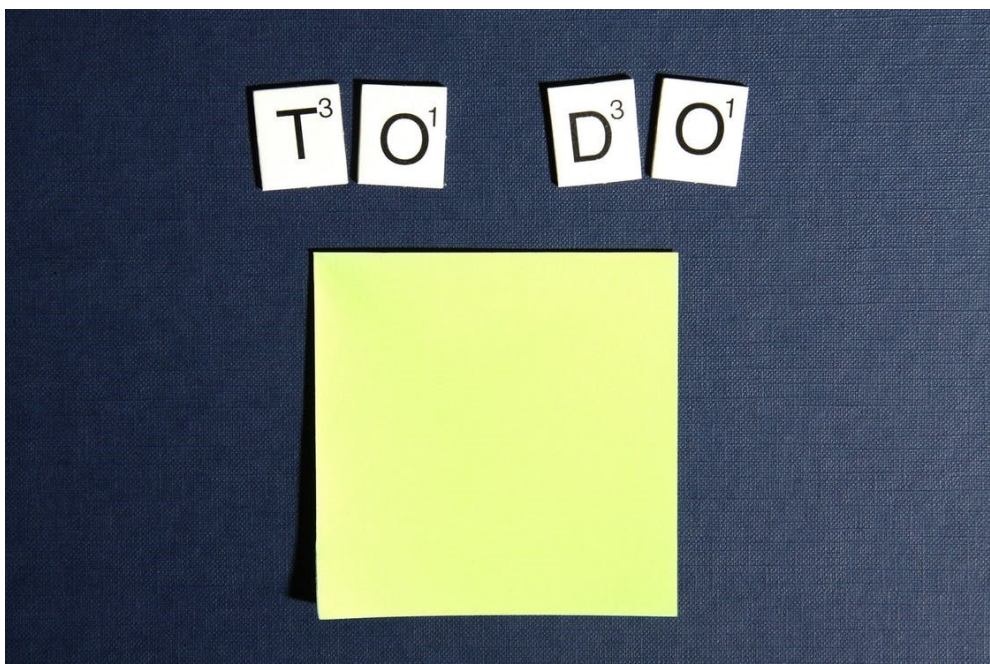
Whilst many of you are quieter at this time of year, I would suggest that now could be a good time to check paperwork is up to date. Please let me know if you need any assistance for example, you are missing paperwork, such as the health and safety sheet, signing in sheet, risk assessment template or require refresher risk assessment training.

Over the coming months I will be attending many of your meetings and would like to ask that a copy of your risk assessment is available for me to look at / copy to take away.

You should ideally be checking your groups risk assessment annually to make sure that it is still fit for purpose and refreshing it when there is a change to the activity, location or people taking part.

An insurer may ask to see the group's risk assessment in order to demonstrate that you considered any significant hazards, which might have been foreseeable, and took reasonable action to manage the risks posed before and during the event.

It is also important the signing in sheets are filled out so you have a record of volunteers present at the start and end of the event who have ticked to confirm that they have read the health and safety sheet before beginning the event and agree to abide by said rules.



A poem about Street Pride

A resident from Whittlesey has written a poem about Whittlesey Street Pride which they have agreed I can share with you all.

I hope you agree that whilst Whittlesey focused the words are relevant for all street pride groups— so thanks to you all!

**There is a group of people I admire in this town,
They go round picking up litter, others have thrown down.
I see them in their bright fluorescent jackets,
Picking up cans, bottles, packets,
Thoughtless others have left lying around,
Making a mess, cluttering up the ground.
No matter what the weather, this amazing group
Meet up monthly, sometimes in laybys, off they troop.
Clearing up after others, making it safer for everyone,
Some even make it look like they're having fun.**

**Picking up rubbish, left lying on the land
Around our river, on the streets, dangerous for animals and birds.
And those lazy dog owners, leaving their dogs t....!!!
Thoughtless, lazy? Why don't those who litter care?
Take away bags, thrown from car windows, everywhere.
It's simple, just take
it with you, put it in your bin at home.
What a difference that would make.
Grateful thanks to the Whittlesey Litter Pickers.**

Events Schedule

Sat 7th Jan	Chatteris Street Pride Litter Pick	Meet Church Lane Car Park	10:00
Sat 7th Jan	Doddington Street Pride Litter Pick	Meet at The Clock Tower	10:30
Sat 7th Jan	Tydd St Giles Street Pride Litter Pick	Meet Community Centre Car Park	10:30
Sun 8th Jan	Friends of Rings End Nature Reserve Work Party	Rings End Nature Reserve	09:30
Mon 9th Jan	Waterlees In Bloom / Street Pride Litter Pick	Meet at the Oasis Centre	13:00
Mon 9th Jan	Friends of March Railway Station AGM	March Railway Station	18:30
Thurs 12th Jan	Newton-in-the-Isle Street Pride Litter Pick	Meet at the Village Hall	10:30
Sat 14th Jan	Friends of March Railway Station Work Party	March Railway Station	10:00
Sat 14th Jan	Wisbech St Mary Street Pride Litter Pick	Churchfield Way - meet near School	10:30
Sun 15th Jan	Wisbech Street Pride Work Party	Welcome Garden— Chapel Road Car Park	09:00
Sun 15th Jan	Whittlesey Street Pride Litter Pick	Meet at the Buttercross	10:00
Thurs 19th Jan	Murrow Street Pride Committee Meeting	Methodist Chapel	19:00
Sat 21st Jan	Gorefield Street Pride Work Party & AGM	Meet Gorefield Pavilion, Wolf Lane	10:00
Sat 21st Jan	Leverington Street Pride Litter Pick	Meet at the Village Hall	10:00
Sat 28th Jan	Murrow Street Pride Litter Pick	Meet Bell Inn Car Park	10:00
Tues 31st Jan	March Street Pride Litter Pick	Meet George Campbell Leisure Centre	10:00

Wildlife Trust Training 2023

The Wildlife Trust are offering a variety of online and face-to-face training workshops next year which may be of interest.

[WTBCN Training A5 8pp 2023 FINAL.pdf \(wildlifebcn.org\)](https://www.wildlifebcn.org/WTBCN%20Training%20A5%208pp%202023%20FINAL.pdf)

Useful Contacts

Street Cleansing Team	<p>Litter and Litter bins - Fenland District Council</p> <p>Use this link to report where waste from your work parties has been left. Please choose 'Litter Pick' and add "Street Pride Waste Collection" to the notes. You can also include more than one location to the notes.</p>
Street Scene Team	<p>streetscene@fenland.gov.uk</p> <p>01354 654321</p>
Cambridgeshire County Council - Highways	<p>Report a highways fault - Cambridgeshire County Council</p> <p>(use this tool to report problems such as overgrown hedges to highways)</p>
Street Pride Co-ordinator	<p>Rebecca Robinett</p> <p>rrobinett@fenland.gov.uk</p> <p>01354 602134</p>

Next months edition...over to you!

Please let me know by Friday 27th January of any specific questions / topics you would like to see covered in next months edition. Perhaps you have an event coming up or details of a project that you would like to promote?

