



Public Realm Service Changes

The service historically included

- Street Cleansing and Grounds maintenance including maintenance contracts for schools and property, NCH contracts, graffiti and dog fouling removal teams & fly tipping removal
- Clean Champions and Green Spaces Volunteers
- Parks Administration and Development including Biodiversity, Allotments & Park Rangers
- Play Area Development and Maintenance
- Landscape Services including Horticultural Nursery and Retail Garden Centre
- Tree and Woodland Services
- Cemetery and Cremation Services
- Future Parks Accelerator Team (HLF/National Trust Funded Programme)

















Clean Champions - The Background

- Nottingham Clean Champions was set up in 2017
- Encouraging residents to take an active role in their community and take control of litter in their neighbourhood
- Residents proactively supporting our work and improving their local environment in small ways to make a big difference
- We provide everything the volunteers need to litter pick in a pack containing gloves, hi-vis waistcoat, purple bags and a litter pick





How it works

- Sign up is online & our teams deliver
- Each champion receives a pack (litter picker, hivis, gloves, bags and Health & Safety advice)
- Direct email to our website to both report issues and request bag pick ups
- Individual litter picking and organised group litter picks by us, and regular group picks organised by volunteers themselves.







Maintaining a sustainable volunteering force

- Recently appointed a volunteer to become a ward volunteer coordinator which we hoping to slowly expand to all 20 Nottingham Wards
- In the process of creating a full-time Clean Champion support role
- Regular Clean Champion meetings online
- Quarterly meetings
- Monthly newsletter
- Facebook group, Instagram account
- Kit provided
- 'Thank you' Celebration Event held at the Council House annually





Where we are now

- Current number of Clean Champions is 7818 (4902 adults & 2916 juniors)
- Current number of hours per month is approximately 610 x 12 = 7320 hours annually
- Current number of bags collected per month is approximately 1250 x 12 = 15 000 bags annually



Partnership working

- Clean Champion volunteers
- Nottingham Green Guardians
- Local ward councillors
- Nottingham City Homes
- Radio Nottingham
- University and local schools





Aspirations

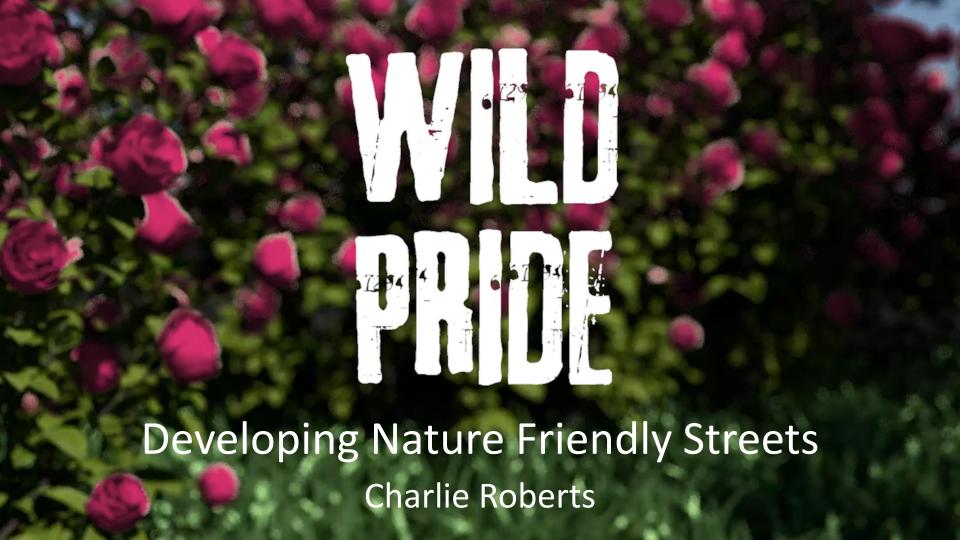
- Education working with schools to improve learning on litter and recycling by presenting talks and joining up more school groups.
- Recycling working with communities to educate
- Encourage more group events
- Continue to grow the number of volunteers whilst still being able to support them
- Bigger collaboration with the two universities



Clean Champions Interviews

https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v= 939242096842500





Project Background

- Nottingham's Carbon Neutral 2028 Pledge
- Reducing our Glyphosate usage





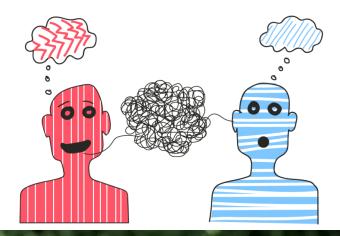
Project Benefits

- Removing use of harmful chemicals
- Increasing pollinator-friendly plant species
- Bringing communities together
- Reducing travel needs for operatives
- Improving habitat connectivity



Barriers to Success

- People's opinions and perceptions
- Communication
- Litter traps





Future proposals and other projects

- Detailed assessment of success
- Project expansion
- Bee friendly Nottingham initiative
- Nottingham Green Guardians



















