

Nottingham Clean Champions

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Public Realm Service

The service includes:

- 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



Public Realm Service cont'd

The service includes:

- 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)



2019 - 2023 Corporate Plan Commitments

- To be the Cleanest Big City
- To deliver weed free streets
- Be Friendly Nottingham – to create new habitats in every ward
- To Plant 10,000 Trees
- To work with the community to secure more Green flags than any other authority
- To Deliver the Nottinghamshire WW1 Memorial and Restore Victoria Embankment Memorial Gardens

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
- Each champion receives a pack (litter picker, hi-vis, gloves, bags and Health & Safety advice)
- Direct email to our website to both report issues and request bag pick ups
- Organised group litter picks



Maintaining a sustainable volunteering force

- Recently employed a volunteer coordinator and two interns dedicated to managing the volunteers permanently
- Fortnightly zoom meetings
- Quarterly meetings
- Newsletter
- Facebook group
- Kit provided
- Thank you Celebration Event held at Council House



Where we are now

- Current number of Clean Champions is 5736 (3715 adults & 2021 juniors)
- Current number of hours per month is approximately $500 \times 12 = 6000$ hours annually
- Current number of bags collected per month is approximately $1200 \times 12 = 144000$ annually



Partnership working

- Volunteers
- 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



Thank you!