

AUGUST 2020

Report from Cleaner Arundel Working Group

The Cleaner Working Group consists of: The Town Clerk, The Mayor, Councillor Standing and Aby Dingle.

September Community Clean Up Day

Overview

The Working Group are currently organising the postponed Spring Community Clean Up Day which couldn't go ahead due to COVID-19. Following two meetings week commencing the 24th of August, the latter of which was also attended by Angela Spinks - Stakeholder Communications and Liaison Officer from Mackley, it was agreed that we would go ahead with the September Community Clean Up Day on Friday the 18th of September.

We have chosen to do this on the Friday because on that date we will have a cohort of Mackley staff coming to work with us, bringing some of their equipment, and ready to do some specific tasks such as using their strimmers to clear paths. Having lived amongst us for many months whilst they installed our flood defences, Mackley have decided that they would like to contribute another day's work to our community before they finally bid us adieu.

Everything will comply to Covid-19 safety guidelines. We are going to be working out of two locations, one on the cobbles and the other (to be confirmed) close to the Scout Hut, so the clean will reach across both sides of the town.

Our Arundel event is taking place during the Great British September Clean (11th-27th September).

Other points to note

- Councillor Jones has acquired a boat which we would like to site on the green space outside of the Baptist Church and have planted up as part of the Clean Up Day. Mackley would have the suitable vehicle and manpower to move it but we need to first obtain permission from WSCC which we are currently working on gaining.
- Areas of town will be identified for litter picking.
- Photography and possibly filming will be organised for the day.
- The Chamber of Commerce have been notified of the event as the Working Group think it would be good for Arundel businesses to participate, either by arranging whatever clean-up is appropriate around their own premises or in the wider town area.
- The schools and Scouts/Guides whom originally volunteered for the Spring Clean Up Day will be contacted to see if they would like the children to do something outside the front of their schools but obviously they will be back at school and COVID-19 will restrict what they are able to do, if anything at all.
- The Mayor will write to our ADC and West Sussex Councillors and our MP and invite them to participate.
- Carolyn will see if our PCSO James Elder might like to be involved.
- We will speak to the media ahead of and following the event to try and get some media coverage (newspaper, radio etc.)
- Report cards will be given out to report issues that needs follow-up attention i.e. blocked gutters.
- Equipment required for the day will be loaned from ADC.
- The event will be advertised on the <u>https://www.keepbritaintidy.org/</u> website.