

Sandbach Clean Team



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RAISING OUR PROFILE

The Clean Team trailer now has some display boards and we have a banner, which lets Sandbach know when we are about. Many thanks to Sandbach Partnership for funding these.



We also have a large display screen for use with our presentations to young people. This is centred on the message of the three Rs; in this case Reduce, Reuse and Recycle, and also the "Champion Litter Picker" theme badges. Cheshire County Council Peoples and Communities Grant funded this.

Members Di and Graham Ackers designed all the artwork for the above. Our thanks to them for the excellent result, which gives us a truly professional appearance.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Early in 2008 we will be campaigning to recruit more members. We already have over 100, but more would be helpful.

As part of the campaign there will be a Press Release and we will post out information about our activities and successes to all members. We would appreciate it if they could help to "spread the word".

BULBS, BULBS, BULBS

Make a Difference Day 2007. Many thanks to all our friends, including Sandbach Rotary and Sandbach Cubs, who helped to plant over 15,000 bulbs.

Next Spring, Sandbach will benefit from woodland and dwarf daffodils, crocus and snowdrops. Thanks also to Sandbach Town Council and Sandbach Partnership who provided the funding.



PRIMARY SCHOOLS' GARDENS PROJECT

We now have grants that will give each school about £400 to spend on creating a garden for Cheshire's Year of Gardens 2008. Sandbach Partnership, Sandbach Town Council, Congleton Borough Council and Cheshire's Year of Gardens Grant Fund have generously supported this project, which will give the young people of Sandbach a great opportunity to gain experience of growing plants. The gardens are due to be completed by July 2008. Work has already started in some of the schools. Vegetables appear to be a great favourite!

Sandbach Clean Team are running this project for Sandbach Community Pride.

FUTURE LITTER PICKS

January 19th (also at Brereton); February 16th
March 15th (also at Brereton)

GOOD NEWS

Three times a year CBC surveys litter and detritus across the Borough. The results show continuous improvement, thanks to hard work by CBC operatives and the Clean Team. We have just received the best ever results, showing that only 6% of our streets suffer from litter and detritus compared to the 28% three years ago. Many thanks and congratulations to all of you.

Gareth Edwards, Grounds and Cleansing Manager, CBC Streetscape

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