

PROJECT CLOSING REPORT – Litter Picking Walking Group

1. OVERVIEW

To form a walking group that will go out litter picking once a month.

2. DETAIL OF WHAT TOOK PLACE

We have met once a month since February 2015, on the first Sunday of the month, from 11am . 1pm to litter pick at various sites around Buxton. The group will continue to run.

3. ASSESSMENT AGAINST AIMS AND SUCCESS CRITERIA

The aims of the project were to:

Aim	Assessment
To choose a different walking route in and around Buxton each month and clean up all the litter.	Achieved. Some sites such as Ashwood Park have been visited more than once
To encourage a sense of pride, ownership of and responsibility for the town and surrounding area	
To improve the sense of community by creating a group with a common goal	Yes

The measurable success criteria of the project were as follows:

Success Criteria	Assessment
A walk takes place every month over a twelve month period, with at least people taking part each month.	We average around 6 people (the least was 2 in December)
The number of people taking part in litter picking walks increases over the period.	The number of volunteers on the email list keeps increasing. The last article in the Buxton Advertiser has gained 4 more volunteers.
A brighter, cleaner Buxton - before & after pictures to demonstrate this.	Yes
Positive media coverage.	Yes. Dave Carlisle submitted an article to the Buxton Advertiser for 7/4/16
Positive feedback from local residents	Yes
New friendships formed within the group.	Yes

4. ANY FURTHER BENEFITS

A collaboration with Les Warren has been formed (Waterside Care) & with the group who care for Ashwood Park and the Litter Group will help them litter pick the river.

5. COSTS

Project expenditure against budget was as follows:

EXPENDITURE		
	Budget	Actual
Contingency	£ 50	£ 0
Total	£ 50	£ 0
Net Expenditure	£ 50	£ 0

INCOME		
	Budget	Actual
Total	£ 0	£ 0
Surplus	£ 0	£ 0

6. LEARNING POINTS FOR THE FUTURE

Although the project to start up the litter picking group is closed the activity will carry on every month. The directors agreed that they will continue to support the activity and that one of the directors will take on a liaison role with the group organiser to make sure they get support as required. Simon Fussell will initially take the liaison role.