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Rail clean is on track

Young people from Buxton braved the wintry weather on Tuesday to take part in the Town Team's big railing clean-up at the Pavilion Gardens.

School pupils joined students from Buxton and Leek College and the University of Derby to clean up the railings in preparation for a world record bid.

Fairfield Endowed Junior, Buxton Community, Thomas More, St Anne's and Burbage schools all sent teams who scrubbed away at the accumulated grime and algae to make the railings gleam.

Following hard on the heels of the Big Spring Clean on Saturday, it was part of the Town Team's campaign to spruce up Buxton in preparation for the Spring Fair on May 4 and make the town look attractive to tourists.

"Then we'll get people coming to visit the town," said Kiran Hodgson, aged nine, of Fairfield Endowed. "It's been fun."

His classmate, eight-year-old Charlotte Stone, added: "It's great for the community."

Ten Buxton and Leek Public Services students organised the teams as part of the enrichment, or community service, aspect of their course.

And the University's Student Union also sent a team of volunteers. Hospitality management undergraduate Andy Heyes said: "You can't just sit back and do nothing – you've got to get your hands dirty!"

"It's lovely to see everybody coming together."

For more details about Buxton Town Team, visit buxtontownteam.org

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