

Guidance Volunteer Litter Heroes

Covid-19

- Individuals currently shielding in the “at risk” groups or displaying symptoms (or in contact with those with symptoms) or have been directly advised to self-isolate should not litter-pick.
- Wash hands before and after at home or nearby w/c facilities.
- Carry hand sanitiser if you have access to some.
- Always use your gloves provided.
- Stay at least one metre from fellow volunteers and members of public.

What is litter?

- Litter is anything that is thrown down or dropped and then left. This includes:
 - cigarette ends
 - chewing gum
 - sweet and crisp wrappers
 - food containers including takeaway packaging
 - disposable coffee cups
 - bottles and cans that could be recycled instead
 - dog poo bags(Please **do not** collect garden waste, stone or rubble)

- Don't pick up sharps/needles.

Litter should be tied up in strong waste sacks provided and left by the side of a Wakefield Council Public Waste Bin for our Teams to collect. Please do not place the bags inside the bins.

Litter Picking individuals or in pairs

- Before going out alone or in pairs to carry out a litter pick, please remember:
 - Tell someone where you are going and stay in mobile contact.
- Once the rubbish has been picked, the full Council bags can then be placed next to any of our litter bins and they will be collected when the bin is emptied by our teams; we require volunteers to refrain from leaving full bags sporadically in our areas as they may be missed by our teams.
- If taking litter picker home at the end of a clean-up, please sanitize before storing.