

Sandbach Clean Team



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J17 Clean-up



Junction 17 of the M6 is an important gateway to Sandbach and makes the first impression for many visitors to the town. In April, members of Sandbach Clean Team organized a special litter-pick there.

Working from behind the Armco safety barriers, volunteers picked up the cartons, bottles and cans thrown by drivers on the slip roads leaving the motorway. Twenty-one large sacks of litter were filled.

It is particularly important that we tackle local grot spots like this: action which helps prevent continued littering. Keith Haines has been in discussions with Highways England over getting litter enforcement measures installed at the M6 junction, and this is being pursued on behalf of the Clean Team and the Tidy Town group.



Our thanks to all concerned.

Photos: Jenny Haines

Funds!

The Clean Team is highly cost-effective, but does require some income each year to operate. Fortunately the generosity of organisations and individuals does provide us with the money we need each year. Our heartfelt thanks to all those supporting us, including:

Sandbach Town Council: Annual Grant £650.00
February Quiz Night receipts: £365.50
Godfrey Williams plastic bag donation scheme (1st quarter 2016) £50.00

Also: please use your blue tokens in the Nationwide offices to support the Clean Team, every little helps.

Sandbach Today

This annual event will be held on Saturday 17th September in St Mary's Church Hall. We will be using the Market Square as the base for the September litter pick on the same day.

AGM

The AGM took place on Wed 8th June at the Market Tavern. Because of his civic duties as Town Mayor, Keith Haines stood down from chairing meetings (but will continue as Organizer). Dot Flint of Sandbach Partnership volunteered to become Chair and was elected. Guest speaker Cllr. Mike Benson gave an informative talk on the many activities of the Tidy Town Group, which he chairs. After the formal business, members chatted over refreshments.



Gloria Jeffs, Keith Haines, Mike Benson and Dot Flint

Next Litter-picks

18th June 16th July **August: no litter-pick** 17th September 15th October
19th November 17th December

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