

South Cambridgeshire Street Sweeping Tools & Community Events

South Cambridgeshire District Council is developing several community led initiatives to promote and support community litter picks, street sweeping, re-use and recycling throughout the district, which will supplement the Council's own programmes.

Street Sweeping Tools - Pilot Scheme

This pilot scheme will provide the following additional tools to communities to support the valuable work of volunteers who help keep their communities clean and clear of litter.

The pilot will run from early in the New Year until June 2018, culminating in a review.

Communities can book out either a small ride-in street sweeper for sweeping sections of road and wide tarmacked paths, such as cycle paths, or a self-propelled leaf and litter vacuum for clearing debris and rubbish in areas such as car parks, retail areas, playing fields and parks.

Tools can be booked out for up to two days by communities who have volunteered to take part in the pilot, to be used by volunteers who have undertaken the required driving licence checks, health and safety and operations training.



The Council's Shared Waste Service will deliver the tools along with a skip for waste storage to an agreed safe and secure location and return to collect both after use.

Communities will be asked to undertake simple mapping and record keeping and to provide feedback on the use of the vehicle which will inform the evaluation of the pilot scheme.



Above: Ride-in sweeper for sweeping sections of road and wide tarmacked paths e.g. cycle paths

Left: Self-propelled leaf & litter vacuum for clearing debris and rubbish in areas such as car parks, retail areas, playing fields and parks.

Community 'Spring Big Clean' Events

The council is also offering various levels of support to communities who wish to run their own Spring Clean Up event in the New Year, including:

Community Litter Picks

Organised and managed by Parish Councils with the Council providing litter pickers, gloves, bags and collection and disposal of the collected litter.

Supported Community Litter Picks

as above with the addition of:

- Provision of some operational staff to work with the community volunteers to encourage separation of recyclables by providing clear sacks
- A stall to give out food caddies and reuse / recycling advice.

Supported Community Litter Picks with Environmental Action Day

As above with the addition of

- Additional communication support in advance of the day.
- A 'take it or leave it' stall to swap preloved items
- Skips for reuse or recycling various bulky materials like electrical items, metal and wood.
- Additional deployment of the sweeper to cleanse hot spots within the community.

