

**Marks Tey Parish Council
Report on Community Litter Pick
10.00 to 12.00 – Saturday 11th March 2017**



Just some of the volunteers from the day

We are pleased to report on our third successful community Litter pick, we again asked residents to volunteer for 2 hours on Saturday March 11th to pick up litter from 7 identified areas. Over 28 people attended and more contacted us to say that they were unable to come this time but wanted to be informed about the next one. It was great to see familiar faces return to take part and we also had new residents come join in what was a great community day.

Our Zone Wardens attended, and loaned Hi-Viz jackets, litter pickers, bags and bag hoops, and the Parish Council bought gloves and refreshments. Some of our “litter warriors” came to take part in the pick and lots of stories were exchanged of the good works the volunteers had been up to over the last 6 months.

Pickers were organised into teams for each area, and were given a briefing sheet with safety advice and first aid contact. A Parish Councillor travelled round all the groups to take photos, pick up bags and deal with any problems that arose.

In Marks Tey there are ongoing problems with litter in all the areas near the A120 and A12, where people who are driving through throw rubbish from their cars, and 40 bags of litter and some large car parts were collected.

At the end of the litter pick we all got together to have some food and good chat. We prepared a hot and cold lunch with tea and coffee, and gave certificates to the children who took part.



It was a wonderful day and a massive thanks to all who took part, the Zone Wardens, and to CCVS for grant funding the equipment and refreshments, it is now really beginning to feel like a community incentive and everyone who took part really enjoyed the day.