

Parish/Group Litter pick Do's and Don'ts

Litter Pick Do's:

- Use the safety equipment provided – Litter picker, Gloves, High Vis Vest **(Always)**
- Wash hands, or use a wet wipe (supplied) before eating, drinking or smoking
- Work as part of a group or at least in pairs, No Lone Working
- Confine litter picking to areas risk assessed by Group Leader
- See Group Leader for First Aid Kit in the event of cuts and grazes
- Supervise children AT ALL TIMES
- Report location of any hazardous items found to the Group Leader. These items will be collected by the District or County Council and include syringes, broken glass, unidentified liquids, insecticides, asbestos etc.
- Avoid loose/stray animals
- Leave the site or area at any time you or your Group Leader feel at risk
- Work on one side of a road or lane only and walk in the direction of oncoming traffic. Wear High Vis Vests and Keep Alert
- Leave bags of litter at collection point as directed by the Group Leader. The District Council will collect from there.

Litter Pick Don'ts

- Don't start litter picking until your Group Leader has briefed you on the Risk Assessment
- Don't work in or close to water
- Don't remove any hazardous items ie syringes, broken glass etc yourself
- Don't reach into any undergrowth, even with gloved hands, use a litter picker
- Don't litter pick on any main road or busy highways, only collect litter in low traffic areas
- Don't allow children to litter pick on or close to highways
- Don't take full bags of litter to Household Waste Sites. Leave them at appropriate collection points as directed by group leader

If, despite taking all necessary precautions, a needle injury occurs, squeeze the wound to make it bleed. Clean the wound with water or a hand/antiseptic wipe (from the first aid box) then apply a plaster/bondage. Go immediately to the nearest A+E for the treatment and a blood test. If safely possible, take the syringe (wrapped) with you so it can also be tested.

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