



TWIGGS

Grounds Maintenance Ltd



The Penistone Area 6 Month Summary

CREATING A CLEANER AND GREENER ENVIRONMENT IN
PARTNERSHIP WITH LOCAL PEOPLE

Outcomes to be achieved

- ▶ *Creating a well maintained, clean, safe, well presented and welcoming physical environment*
- ▶ *Local communities involved in ensuring areas are kept clean and litter free*
- ▶ *Reduction in levels of littering*
- ▶ *Residents/community groups taking responsibility for green areas/shrub beds/planters etc.*
- ▶ *Increase skills and work experience at local level*
- ▶ *Increase the number of people engaged in volunteering activities in the community*

A brief snapshot of what we have achieved so far...

And it really is a snap shot, we would possibly need the full day to cover *everything* which has been achieved so far! We have been *that* busy!



CAWTHORNE

- Cannon Hall

Supporting gardening activities to coincide with the newly developed volunteer open days called 'Parks for People', in turn this extends the range of opportunities we can share and offer to willing volunteers.

- Pre School

Teaching children at Cawthorne Pre School gardening skills and techniques. We identified deadwood for pruning and gathered greenery for composting. Building confidence and an understanding on how to use tools and working together as a team

- Local residents

Litter pick of lay-bys x 2



HOYLANDSWAINE

- The Lord Nelson Pub
Working alongside the landlord of the pub we identified an area where we could improve the greenspace for the community and also improves the immediate area around the pub. Our team worked together with volunteers to tidy up around the bench area, clearing leaves and removing litter on two separate sessions
- Rose and Crown Pub
3 volunteers, 2 litter picks and a moss clearance
- Hoylandswaine Primary School
Uncovering the surrounds of the pond, working with teacher and pupils. Allowing views and assessment on future works that need carrying out.



WORTLEY

Working with local residents in this area we have so far:

- Erected 2 Christmas trees
- Carried out Footpath/ pavement improvements
- Cleared drainage and landscaped spoil from around a road gulley that was preventing water from draining away, causing standing water



SILKSTONE

Silkstone Common Primary School

Working with this local primary school we have arranged an upcoming session with the children and teachers in September.

Huskar 180 Group

The team have offered a great support to the Huskar 180 group recently, they have 6 regular volunteers who are a credit to the community

We have offered our time skills and knowledge to help them over both of their ongoing projects

- Memorial Labyrinth
- Victorian Vegetable garden



TANKERSLEY

Local Business Involvement

Our most significant work in this area to date was working in conjunction with McDonalds.

Following a brief development meeting with the restaurant Manager we came up trumps and have successfully worked with 12 volunteers litter picking and clearing the surrounding areas of the takeaway, the business park and Church Lane.

So far, we have worked with McDonalds on 3 separate occasions in the area.



GREEN MOOR

Working with local residents:

- ▶ Creating wildlife habitats
- ▶ Pruning
- ▶ Wildflower seeding
- ▶ Planting
- ▶ Creating shed bases
- ▶ Tidying steps
- ▶ Clearing the pathways
- ▶ Landscaping the playground
- ▶ Grass seeding
- ▶ Grass trimming

We've been adding to the improvements by cutting back in the Delf, widening pathways, improving the seating area and opening up the view.

It's great to see that areas we have helped to bring back into check have carried on being maintained by dedicated volunteers



OXSPRING

Local residents

Working with 7 volunteers, Litter pick of Castle Dam on three occasions, we also cut back the overgrowth the reach the buried litter

Also working with 6 volunteers for a weekend clean up session and Picnic at the Old Bower Bridge



INGBIRCHWORTH

Tidy up of the entrance to the nature reserve



LANGSET

Local Business Involvement

Working with Bankview Café and a fantastic volunteer tidying up the bench area and clearing the litter

In this area we have also worked with The Wagon and Horses, clearing the pavement making it safer, cleaner and more inviting for visitors



THURLSTONE

- Daisy Chains School

Learning how to build wildlife habitats and digging a border out for future planting sessions

- Thurlstone/ Millhouse Green Women's institution

Working with 4 volunteers clearing litter from the main road



MILLHOUSE GREEN

Millhouse Green Village Community Association

Activities working with this local group include:

- Working with 7 volunteers, planting trees at Royd Community Garden
- Supporting 3 volunteers, setting tractor ties and planting



WATER MEADOWS

Activities include:

- Building Wildlife Habitats using the green waste produced during clearance works
- Clearing Litter from the environment
- Clearing the steps, pathways, and seating areas



THURGOLAND

Thurgoland Primary School

We brought the children out into the community to do some visual environmental improvement works,
Including:

- Tidying and reclaiming a moss covered footpath leading up to the memorial water pump at Thurgoland.
- Trimming back the trees and hedges in winter, and then a day with appropriate weather when the children could join in.

The children had a lot of fun and discovered they liked gardening *a lot!*



THURGOLAND



Alongside work with the school, we have also really enjoyed assisting a local resident at Halifax Road Thurgoland who wanted more space on the pavement by the busy road to pass other pedestrians without having to worry about narrow space.

We've gained some extra width to the footpath now which makes enough difference to confidently walk past others, lowering the risk of walking on the road.

We re-used the green waste scraped off to level the uneven surface on the grassed area.

PENISTONE TOWN CENTRE

There is always lots to do in and around the town centre and we can always find willing businesses, groups and residents to lend a hand!

- Working together with Tesco Community Champion and other staff carrying out litter picks of the Market Barn and surrounding areas, this is a reoccurring event which takes place every Monday morning at 10am
- We have been supported by Green Works on many occasions
- History Archive Group - Tank ramp tidy up
- Springvale Community Garden - Working with various groups and carrying out different tasks
- Penistone FM - Promoting volunteering activities, about Twiggs Clean Green and Tidy Teams and the local community



We worked along side St Johns' Primary School and The Spar carrying out a tidy up Session before the Tour de Yorkshire event. We cleared weeds from the streets and the litter too. The kids were surprised by an unusual amount of hair bobbles on the street, and tab ends were a clear issue. They were also shocked at the amount of litter you find when your more aware of it and are spreading the word to class mates and family. We trimmed down grass in the car park to make it easier to get to the litter and give a tidier appearance . All children that took part in the activity were rewarded with a generous bag of goodies donated from The Spar



TWIGGS REGULAR PROGRAMME

- ▶ Monday - Tesco Market Barn litter pick
 - ▶ Tuesday - Water Meadows
- ▶ Wednesday - Springvale Community Garden
 - ▶ Thursday - Cannon Hall
 - ▶ Friday - Green Moor

*Our afternoons are used for additional activities

Future development of the service

- ▶ Aiming towards sustainability:
 - ▶ Individuals/ Groups taking ownership in maintaining their own shared green spaces.
- ▶ Educating the next generation towards and cleaner future
- ▶ Creating more easy to access, regular opportunities for volunteers in Penistone
- ▶ Promotion - Listen out for our regular promotion on Penistone FM

To keep up to date with our upcoming projects and volunteer opportunities please follow our Social Media Pages:

Facebook: Twiggs Penistone Area Clean Green and Tidy Team



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Alternatively our Website www.twiggsuk.co.uk, and use the online contact form for specific areas listed by Ward, or call 01226 286 111 and speak with our office team.

Enquiries for works can be fed through the Penistone Area Team, which will help to direct enquiries to the right person, and avoid duplication of services