

Council 16 March 2016 - Questions submitted by Members

Question No.	Question from:	Question:	Question to:	Service area:
1.	Cllr Alan Horton	<p>Clean for The Queen, was a highly publicised and successful national campaign over the weekend of 4th to 6th March to clear litter from the verges, paths and roadways of Britain in time for Her Majesty The Queen’s official 90th birthday in June this year.</p> <p>The Cabinet Member for The Environment and Rural Affairs kindly agreed to support volunteers across Swale, in their efforts to clean our towns and villages by committing Swale Borough Council to collect and dispose of the rubbish picked up over that weekend.</p> <p>Does the Cabinet Member agree with me that it was a very positive and productive weekend that involved people from right across the Borough taking part in a highly successful, environmentally focused, community project, and furthermore that Swale Borough Council played a very significant role in its success?</p>	Cabinet Member for the Environment and Rural Affairs	Emma Wiggins – Head of Economy and Community Services
<p>Response: Clean for the Queen 2016 has been an extremely successful event and is continuing with events running up to June. There have been 28 organised events throughout the Borough led by the Contracts & Procurement team’s Environmental Projects Officer, Vikki Sedgwick.</p> <p>Residents, schools, Gordon Henderson MP’s Litter Angels, Helen Whateley MP, community groups, Councillors and Parish Councillors, supported by the Contract Monitoring Team and Environmental Wardens, have to date collected 288 sacks of rubbish, along with tyres, a freezer, traffic cones, and some small electrical items.</p> <p>The Contract & Procurement Team’s Environmental Projects Officer’s aspiration to embrace the Borough has proven very successful and popular, so much so that an annual ‘Clean for Swale’ initiative is being considered on the back of a very successful promotion of the ‘Clean for the Queen’ campaign.</p>				