

The Great Haveringland Spring Clean

What can you achieve with 22 hours of voluntary help? Well, Haveringland parishioners cleared 13.6km of verges of 38.5kg of rubbish, as well as identifying several dumps of bulky items in the ditches and hedgerows.



It was their first community clean up, after several people agreed that the littering along the country lanes was a disgrace. With equipment loaned by Broadland District Council, they spent Saturday morning removing fast food packaging, plastic drinks bottles, aluminium cans, newspaper etc. along Haveringland Road, Mill Lane, Clay Lane and School Road. Earlier in the week, another parishioner had walked Abbey Lane and bagged litter carelessly thrown away. There were some examples of hazardous waste – asbestos sheets, glass doors, containers of unknown liquids, which the council will remove safely, once they are notified.



After the 2 hour stint, the group rewarded themselves with coffee and hot cross buns whilst sharing their experiences of the morning. All agreed it had been worthwhile, but were amazed and appalled in equal measure at the attitude of some towards the countryside.



They plan to repeat the exercise next spring, but to do it before the growing season really takes off.

