



Street Champions



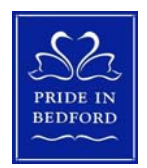
Information Leaflet



Typical issues Street Champions might report

- abandoned Vehicles/unlicensed Vehicles
- graffiti 
- fly Tipping/fly Posting
- overflowing bins in a street
- unsightly litter (excessive litter in your street)
- stray Dogs 
- dog fouling
- abandoned shopping trolleys 
- street Light problems
- overhanging trees / shrubbery
- unsightly amounts of weeds in your street
- carriageway Defects (potholes, missing drain covers, road markings etc.)
- footpath Defects (uneven surfaces, fence panels lying on footpath etc.) 
- damage to Street/Park furniture (benches, bus shelters/stops, signs etc.)

and this list is not exhaustive. If something is of concern, then let us know and we may be able to deal with it. If, for any reason, we can't then we will explain why as well as try to put you in touch with the right people to talk to.



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What are Street Champions?

Street Champions is a new volunteer scheme headed by Pride in Bedford to encourage residents to take a more active role in their community.

As a Street Champions you will become the 'eyes and ears' of Bedford's streets, informing the Council of environmental issues as they arise.

All Champions are provided with an A-Z ringbinder that will give you the necessary information to report any issues that affect your street.

In return for your help, we promise to activate the appropriate action as quickly as we can and also feed back to you our response so you are kept aware of what we are doing.

Why become a Street Champion?

By becoming a Street Champion you can put something back into the community and help put things right. It's simple and easy, all you have to do is tell us about your concerns ranging from refuse collection, abandoned cars, damaged street lights to graffiti, litter and noise and we will do the rest.



Street Champion Aims

- ◆ To encourage the public to play an active role in their local area.
- ◆ To build respect in local communities and to reduce anti social behaviour.
- ◆ Encourage communities to monitor the cleanliness and maintenance of local streets and parks.
- ◆ Reduce crime and the fear of crime.



What do you get as a champion?

Once you have signed up, we will send you all you need to get started. This will include the Handbook, a notepad for jotting down issues and a selection of leaflets.

The Handbook is a A5 ring binder. The main part, is an A-Z section covering issues and organisations that are concerned with local environmental quality. Each entry gives you the information needed to learn about and contact the relevant organisation. As well as the A-Z section, there are also sections on waste, local government and land ownership.

You will also get an equipment request form. From this you can order certain items to help you make a difference in your area. These things will include graffiti removal wipes and litter picking equipment.

Events you can get involved in

As a Champion you will be encouraged to organise events such as litter picks and bulb planting sessions (seasonal).

You can also get involved in other community events such as fun days, community safety events, street and park ranger events etc.



How will Bedford Borough Council keep in contact with me?

We aim to produce three Pride in Bedford newsletters per year which will keep you updated about the project and also provide information about topics of interest and events.

Will I get to meet other Street Champions?

Yes. We plan to have two yearly meetings as well as an annual awards night where we will come together to celebrate the difference we will be making to Bedford.

At these meetings you will get a chance to meet other members, swap ideas, get equipment and give us any feedback you have on the scheme.

How do I become a member?

Easy! Simply fill out your details below, tear off and send in to the freepost address and our Street Champion Co-Ordinator will be in touch with you shortly.

Yes, I would to become a Street Champion...

Name:.....

Address.....

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Postcode.....

Tel:.....

Email:.....