

## **BI-MONTHLY LITTER PICK**

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> January, 2024**



Twenty-five litter heroes braved the cold last Saturday, during another bi-monthly litter pick, sweeping 20 full bags of rubbish off the streets of West Moors yet again.

Among them were;

Ian King, Rosie Brown, Steve Yeates, Rosemary Dunning, Christine Risby, Aimee Tostevin & Matthew Alner, Val Kelly, Cllr Trevor Salt, Cllr Penny Yeo, Dee Elston, Hilary Jones, Malcolm Adam, Janice Clyde and Sue Kent, Chris Wilson, Paul Brealey, David Mansfield, Mick Felton, John Reid, Ritchie & Ruby Fawcett, Shalaen Warnock, Cllr Jordan Randall and Giulia Holland.

The Community alliance that comes together every other month is so inspiring. Seeing our West Moors volunteers chat whilst waiting for the equipment to be handed out, leaving the Council Office in pairs and/or groups, scattering the streets with a shared goal. West Moors Town Council could not be prouder of residents.

The volunteers themselves look forward to the litter picks, as they wait around for only 1 photo, and then make a beeline for the door! Their eagerness is obvious as everyone always arrives early and a lot of the volunteers have their own equipment as they litter pick regularly in between the Council arranged ones.

One volunteer told the organiser, "It is so nice to know we are doing something useful and the gratitude we receive from members of public that come and speak to us is so much appreciated".

Some of our litter heroes already volunteer for other organisations and initiatives, so they are so kind for helping us too.

Two of our new volunteers, that joined for the first time last Saturday, don't live in West Moors, but work locally, and their New Years resolution was to get involved with more Community work, so we are very happy to welcome them aboard our mission of 'zero litter' in West Moors.

This objective may seem unrealistic, but it will continue to be a target for WMTC. With the continued support of our wonderful volunteers and Dorset Waste services who help with the rubbish collection at the end and donations of equipment, we will reduce the negative impact on our environment if nothing else.