



Loughton Wombles  
celebrates its  
1<sup>st</sup> anniversary



## Loughton Wombles Newsletter February 2023 - No. 8

Loughton Wombles productively carried out their eighth group litter pick on Saturday 28 January 2023, marking the **1<sup>st</sup> anniversary of the Loughton Wombles**. The community venture has proved to be a great success with a healthy number of regular volunteers. This time around, two teams of Wombles were out litter picking. Group 1 met on the corner of Rectory Lane and Pyrles Lane and collected 14 bags of litter from Hillyfields Open Space.

Group 2 met at the corner of Willingale Road and Rookwood Avenue and walked along the brook in the direction of Theydon Bois / M11. Lots of rubbish collected and noted that numerous shopping trollies were left in the brook. The Environment Agency has been advised accordingly. As well as an eyesore it is caused an unsightly dam to the waterflow.



Once we have used up the existing stock of litter pickers, we will look at purchasing more hardy ones, as the current ones seem to be easily broken.

Our next group meeting will be on Saturday 25 March 2023, at 10.30am, meeting point to be confirmed.

Please can you suggest any areas in need of our attention in Loughton. It would be good to target new locations in the town. N.B. we are not allowed to litter pick near the motorway.

Once again may we thank you for your support, remember “keep calm and keep litter picking”.

Regards

Debbie & Mark