

# Community Skip Event

Keep Wales Tidy, in conjunction with Sandfields East & Aberavon Renewal Area would like to invite you to participate in a **FREE Community Skip Event**

You can bring your household waste to place in the skip sited at the end of Henshaw Street on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June between 10am & 4pm

This leaflet is non-transferrable.  
Please bring it with you to gain access to the skip

***We will not accept the following items: -***

*Tyres & Car Batteries*

*Weekly Refuse*

*Three Piece Suites*

*Fridge/Freezers*

*Large Electrical Items*

Skips will only be available during the times stated and no waste is to be left on the grass in their absence



Address Box

## FREE BULKY WASTE COLLECTIONS

Skips may fill up quickly, so for large or bulky items please call Service First on 01639 764555 to arrange free collection from your home at a later date.



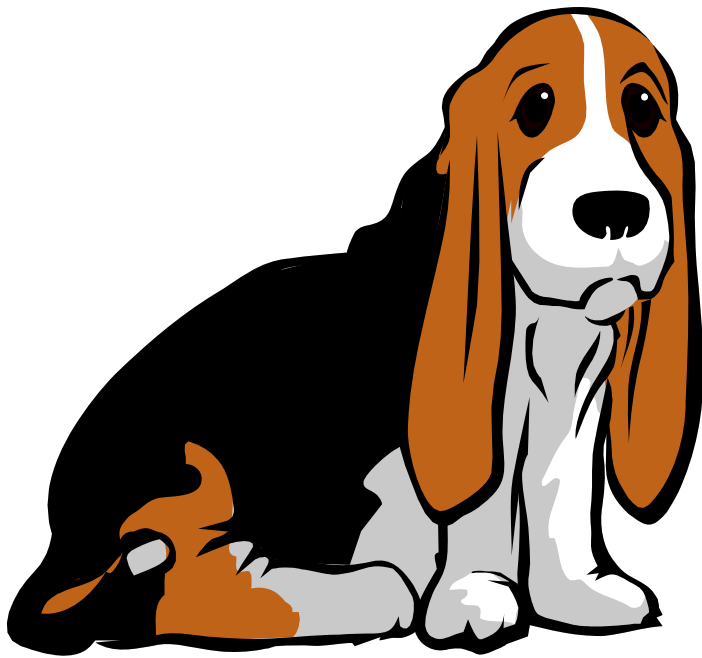
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General Advice & Information is available on the day at:  
St Paul's Church Hall, Gerald Street.

This event is one of many planned for the Renewal Area. If any residents would like to become involved with environmental projects and Keep Wales Tidy within the Renewal Area they should contact:  
Kathryn Britton, Project Officer on 01639 896760

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SANDFIELDS EAST & ABERAVON  
RENEWAL AREA**

# **DOG FOULING AWARENESS**



**Dog Fouling is unpleasant and dangerous. It carries bacteria that can harm you and your family!**

**With your help we can encourage all dog owners to be responsible and eradicate dog fouling on our streets**

**Bag it and Bin it - Or pay the fixed penalty fine of £75.00**

**Under the 1996 Fouling of Land Act, failure to clear up on designated land is an offence subject to a maximum fine of £1,000**

**You can get more free plastic bags from the  
Renewal Area Office at Wellington Place**

**Please help us to keep your streets clean!**





# KEEP WALES TIDY

IN CONJUNCTION WITH  
THE SANDFIELDS EAST & ABERAVON  
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[www.keepwalestidy.org](http://www.keepwalestidy.org)

To volunteer with Keep Wales Tidy contact

**01639 896760**



## MAKING A CLEANER SAFER & TIDIER Sandfields East & Aberavon

This project is also supported by:





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RENEWAL AREA**

# BEACH CLEAN-UP



Anyone caught  
littering on the  
Beach is liable to a  
fixed penalty fine  
of **£75.00**  
subject to a  
maximum fine of  
up to  
**£1,000**

## KEEP WALES TIDY NEED YOU!

Can you occasionally dedicate a couple of hours to participate in a Beach Clean Up?

*Together we can improve Aberavon Seafront for all visitors*

If you would like to participate in the next Beach Clean contact the Keep Wales Tidy Project Officer

01639 896760  
07866 984 230

kathryn.britton@keepwales tidy.org



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RENEWAL AREA are Holding a**

# Community Skip Event

**Addison Road / Addison Place on Wednesday  
13<sup>th</sup> September Between 2pm – 4pm**

**We do not accept:**

- CAR TYRES/BATTERIES
- WEEKLY REFUSE
- 3 PIECE SUITES
- FRIDGES
- FREEZERS
- LARGE ELECTRICAL ITEMS
- ASBESTOS

Skips may fill up quickly so for large and bulky items contact NPTCBC SERVICE FIRST on: 01639 764555 for information on their free bulky collection service.

**It is ESSENTIAL you bring this leaflet with you to gain access to the skip.**

**IF YOU ARE ELDERLY OR DISABLED AND REQUIRE ASSISTANCE PLEASE CONTACT: 01639 796100**

**THIS EVENT IS ORGANISED BY KEEP WALES TIDY FOR FURTHER ENQUIRIES OR TO BECOME A VOLUNTEER WITH KEEP WALES TIDY PLEASE CONTACT THE PROJECT OFFICER ON:**

**01639 896760 OR 07966 984 230**



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# Appendix 3 - Press Cuttings



**SKIP FILLED:** Keep Wales Tidy environmental project officer Kathryn Britton with Michael Stevens, Renewal Area support officer

## Clean sweep

A TONNE of rubbish has been removed in a clean-up in Sandfields.

Keep Wales Tidy, in conjunction with Sandfields East and Aberavon Renewal Area, held a community skip event funded by the Workways agency.

The event saw a skip put at the corner of Lake Road and Burke Road so that people could get rid of their rubbish.

The aim of the project was to try to eliminate fly-tipping in the borough.

Leaflets were distributed beforehand, inviting 90 residents to get rid of unwanted household items that they could not put out for the weekly refuse collection.

Kathryn Britton from Keep Wales Tidy said: "This was one of the most successful skip events held, with the skip being filled within 10 minutes."

"Residents were very keen to clear out their rubbish, getting rid of unwanted toys, wooden items and broken garden furniture."

Keep Wales Tidy and the Renewal Area Team advises residents on how to get rid of waste responsibly and legally.

For more details and to enquire how to dispose of bulky items, call Kathryn Britton on (01639) 896760.



**SAVING THE PLANET** Tir Morfa Junior School pupils Dylan Thomas, aged 11, and Shauna Davies, aged 10. 7/06/06. D060525/1009/GM

## Pupils power up to save the environment

ENERGY is something children from the Port Talbot school are certainly not short of.

Youngsters at Tir Morfa Primary school in Sandfields have been busy collecting old batteries for recycling.

They walked along the seafront to the battery recycling point at the Local Action Centre in the Afan Lido.

The project was part of Tir Morfa's push to gain Eco Schools status. The school has linked up with

Kathryn Britton, Keep Wales Tidy environment project officer for the Sandfields and Aberavon east renewal area.

"They are looking to get the bronze Eco School award," she said.



**TIDY ADVICE:** Kathryn Britton, from Keep Wales Tidy, was at the Aberavon Beach Festival to give people support and advice on keeping Port Talbot tidy. D060715/0004/JM



25/3/06



**SPRING CLEAN**  
Keep Wales Tidy Officer Kathryn Britton and Housing Renewal Officer Lucy Chaves join pupils from Tywyn Primary School for the litter-pick.

# Kids charge towards eco school status

ENERGY is something children from one Port Talbot school are certainly not short of.

Youngsters at Tir Morfa Primary School in Sandfields have been busy collecting old batteries for recycling.

And in keeping with the green theme they walked along the seafront to their nearest battery recycling point, at the Local Action Centre in Afan Lido.

The project was part of Tir Morfa's push to gain eco schools status.

Kathryn Britton, Keep Wales Tidy environment project officer for the Sandfields and Aberavon east renewal area, said: "They are aiming for the bronze eco school award. As part of this they have been doing a lot of recycling, including collecting batteries."

"And we wanted to give them credit for what they have been doing."

# Litter pickers make a tidy effort

RESIDENTS young and old in part of Port Talbot have answered the council's call to take pride in their community.

They have filled more than 150 bags with litter that had been strewn along the banks of the River Afan.

Some 65 pupils from Tywyn Primary School teamed up with 11 Sea Cadets to give the riverside cycle track a spring clean.

The Tywyn children collected 130 bags of litter and the cadets gathered 27 bags.

Residents of Newbridge Road, Lake Road, Webb Place, Ruskin Avenue and Darwin Road were also asked to bring any unwanted items to skips provided by Neath Port Talbot Council.

They responded enthusiastically, filling the skip with everything from disused electrical appliances to empty gas bottles and garage doors.

In total, two tonnes of rubbish was collected in two days.

The litter-pick was organised by the council's renewal area team and Keep Wales Tidy, based at the drop-in centre in Wellington Place in Aberavon.

It was supported by Sandfields First and Dacius Sandfields Aberavon.

Keep Wales Tidy officer Kathryn Britton said: "This is an excellent example of how partner agencies can work together to make a difference in communities."

"Thanks must go to all who took part."

# Dog owners warned to clean it up

A WARNING is going out to dog owners in part of Port Talbot — watch your step or risk being hit with a fine.

This month will see a week-long campaign take place in the urban renewal areas of Sandfields East and Aberavon.

It coincides with national Dog Fouling Week and aims to keep the streets of the two wards free of potentially harmful muck.

Renewal area team members will team up with Keep Wales Tidy to patrol the streets and raise awareness of the need for responsible dog ownership.

The campaign, held from May 15 to 19, will see leaflets and advice dished out to residents, explaining the rules and encouraging people not to break them.

Also taking part will be police community support officers and local volunteers.

Keep Wales Tidy and Neath Port Talbot waste enforcement officers will visit primary schools to talk to pupils about the problems created by fouling.

They will be given dog fouling bags and encouraged to pass them on to any dog owners they know, and will be entered into a prize draw at the same time.

Cabinet member for social services and housing, Arwyn Woolcock, said: "Allowing your dog to foul in the streets is an issue that upsets residents and which the council will not tolerate."

"It is important that those residents who do this and do not pick up the mess realise that it is offensive and dangerous."



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**GREEN TEAM:** Pictured during the riverbank clean-up are Keep Wales Tidy environmental project officer Kathryn Britton and volunteer Graham Perry.

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# Community unites to clean up riverbanks

BUDDING sailors have helped scrub the decks of a Port Talbot waterway flooded with rubbish.

Members of Port Talbot Sea Cadets joined Keep Wales Tidy to carry out a litter-pick along the Darwin Road riverbank of the River Afan.

Dozens of children from Tywyn

Primary School in Sandfields also joined in, as did residents from the Little Warren estate, who took rubbish along to skips provided by Neath Port Talbot Council.

It was part of a much wider drive to clean up an area in need of attention.

KWT environmental project

officer Kathryn Britton said: "This is part of a larger series of environmental improvements that Keep Wales Tidy, the renewal area team and Groundwork are working on at this site."

A series of consultations are planned next month into how the area can be further improved.





# Kathryn puts tidiness first

By Paul Lewis

A PORT Talbot woman is not content with just keeping her own house in order — she wants her entire home estate kept tidy.

Kathryn Britton has been appointed Keep Wales Tidy officer for Sandfields East and Aberavon.

The area has become the county's first renewal zone where millions of pounds are being spent on upgrading homes and the environment.

Now Kathryn, the Courier's Look Around correspondent for Sandfields, will be recruiting an army of volunteer residents to keep it clean and tidy.

The post has been funded by a renewal area project under the Assembly's Communities First programme and Awards for All Wales.

Kathryn is now based at the renewal area team's office in Wellington Place.

Her role will be to involve residents in caring for their local environment by promoting and supporting safe and enjoyable conservation activities.

"Groups of volunteers will be encouraged to adopt designated areas and focus on their ongoing care," said Kathryn, who lives within the designated renewal

area. "I will support them by providing help and advice and attending group events whenever appropriate."

"I also hope to conduct community consultations to identify any areas of concern." The renewal team held a successful rubbish amnesty and Kathryn said she hoped to organise similar events in the future.

"Some small-scale environmental projects have already been earmarked," said Kathryn. "But anyone with a specific area of concern can contact me to discuss it."

Litter, graffiti and dog fouling will be her targets for the first year, with wider-scale ideas,

such as ways of greening the area, to follow.

Council leader Derek Vaughan said Kathryn's appointment was good news for the community.

"The renewal area programme is rolling forward with some group repairs finishing and others about to start," he said.

"We are already beginning to make a difference and Keep Wales Tidy can play an important part in encouraging the community to care for and take pride in the environment in which they live and work."

**Want to get involved? Call Kathryn on 01639 796100.**

**CLEAN IT:** Lucy Chaves, renewal area support officer (left), Kathryn Britton, Keep Wales Tidy project officer, and Chris Davies, acting renewal area manager.

●KEEP Wales Tidy will be carrying out a beach clean-up on the small beach behind Bar Gallois on Saturday between 3pm and 6pm. All volunteers will be gratefully welcomed.

●THE monthly Pact meetings are with us again, starting on Monday for Aberavon residents at 6pm in St Josephs Comprehensive School. Tuesday for Sandfields West Residents at 6pm, venue to be confirmed and lastly, Wednesday for Sandfields East residents, 6pm Tywyn Primary School.

These community partner meetings will be held monthly to discuss issues that affect your quality of life. In attendance will be local councillors, neighbourhood police teams and partnership agencies.

Anything you want discussed in the meetings which will benefit the community in general can be raised, anti-social behaviour, dog fouling, street lighting, littering, problem neighbours etc. The community will then be updated at the next meeting as to what action the partnership has taken.

## Volunteers in beach clean-up

EVE  
FIRST  
4-11-06

A LOT more than sea shells have been found on Aberavon Beach.

Volunteers cleared more than a tonne of rubbish in just a few hours.

The latest clean-up, which targeted the Scarlet Avenue end, was once again organised by Keep Wales Tidy.

As well as clearing away rubbish, helpers found enough glass, plastic and cans to fill four wheelle bins — all of which will go for recycling.

Ten helpers from the youth service were joined by three from health group Pace Cadets and three from residents' organisation Dactus Sandfields Aberavon.

There were also 17 members of Aberavon Lifeguards on hand to help out and transport the rubbish bags to the skip at the eastern end of the beach.

Kathryn Britton, of Keep Wales Tidy, said: "It was a great effort by all who attended and thanks to everyone for their support."



**HELPING HANDS** Kathryn Britton, from Keep Wales Tidy, with volunteers Liam and Corey Evans, aged seven and eight, gets down to work on the clean-up of Aberavon Beach.



# Joseph lends a hand at clean-up

EYE  
POST  
10th Oct

LITTLE Joseph Piretti has had a whale of a time at Aberavon Beach, even if the weather was anything but sunny.

Six-year-old Joseph was the youngest volunteer to take part in a big clean-up of the beach — and will be back again next month.

So far he and his older helpers have cleared away more than 11 tonnes of rubbish in the Sandfields and Aberavon area over the past seven months.

Now a call has gone out for more volunteers to boost the next beach clearance, which starts at 10am on November 4, in Scarlet Avenue.

Keep Wales Tidy, its voluntary group Dactus Sandfields Aberavon, Sandfields First and the renewal area team are working

hard to keep the area free of rubbish.

Activities have included rubbish amnesties, awareness-raising events and battery recycling as part of the wider Eco Schools Initiative.

Keep Wales Tidy project officer Kathryn Britton has also been giving talks to community groups, organisations and schools.

Of the latest beach clean-up, she said: "Although the weather was against them, a few volunteers did have a small opportunity in which to remove some of the litter washed up on the shore and pier.

"Joseph was our youngest volunteer. He enjoyed himself so much he cannot wait for the next beach clean."



Six-year-old Joseph Dactus, Sandfields Aberavon chairman Gary Roberts and Sandfields First development manager John Evans.



**PICK OF THE BUNCH** Assembly minister Edwina Hart observes the community litter pick with litter campaigner Simon Moss-Jones.

# Tidy task for residents

RESIDENTS of a seaside community got their hands dirty this week when they took part in a litter-pick.

They were joined on the streets of Port Talbot by Assembly Social Justice and Regeneration Minister Edwina Hart.

The event was part of the

Keep Wales Tidy (KWT) litter-pick and anti-graffiti drive which is running in the Sandfields and Aberavon renewal area.

It was in support of Tidy Wales Week and saw members of the community undertaking a clean-up of the area.

KWT has now employed a

dedicated environmental officer for the renewal area as part of a pilot project.

A spokeswoman for the organisation said: "The officer will be housed in the renewal area office and will deliver a range of Keep Wales Tidy's activities among the community."