

# Featured Volunteer

## Sarah Price

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### Tell us a little bit about yourself.

I work for BGCBC in the Early Years, Childcare & Play department, as a Project Officer. I am currently studying for a degree with the Open University. As well as being a Litter Champion, I am a member of the Waunlwyd Christmas Tree & Community Committee.

### How long have you been a Litter Champion?

I've been a Litter Champion since the beginning of this year.

### What inspired you to become a Litter Champion?

I had seen my friend Karon litter picking and asked her about it, then registered online. I used to walk a lot with my dog and thought it would be useful if I could litter pick whilst I was out and about. My dog is getting on a bit now, so he usually stays at home.

### How do you feel volunteering has benefitted you and/or the community?

I know that people are grateful because they stop me and tell me frequently. It is satisfying to clear an area of its litter, but also frustrating if you go there the next day and find the litter is back. Since the beginning of the year I can see others are joining in and some of the areas I've cleared in the past are now remaining clear, so it's a bit less to do. I think if everyone made sure the area outside the front of their house was clear, it would make a massive difference. If an area is tidy then maybe people will be less likely to drop litter, you never know.



Sarah has collected 104 bags of Litter since May 2021!



### What would you say to someone whose thinking about joining the Litter Champion Scheme?

Definitely do it, even if you can only do an hour a week, you will make a difference!

### What's the most peculiar thing you've ever picked up whilst Litter Picking?

Unfortunately I've not picked up anything massively interesting, there are a lot of socks out there on their own (maybe that's why you can never find a pair!) and once I found some abandoned boxers in the middle of the mini roundabout by Pleasant View. I have my fingers crossed I'll find a briefcase full of money one day!

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