

Report to Brandon Parva, Coston, Runhall and Welborne Parish Council

William Faircloth Community Service

Hello, my name is William Faircloth and as part of my school's service award, I need to complete some Community Service. Having spoken to the Parish Council, I have been busy cleaning, and clearing, road signs, as well as litter picking, as my Community Service.

I did lots of sign cleaning over the Christmas holidays, in most of the villages in the Parish. Lots of the signs were very dirty, and some were quite overgrown with vegetation. I really enjoyed making the signs more visible and it was nice to help the community. I spoke to lots of different people who asked what I was doing, and all were very appreciative of my work. In fact, one lady came out of her house in Coston to congratulate me on cleaning the sign outside of her house as it was a job she had been meaning to do for some time!



Before



After



Before



After



I have also completed lots of litter picking in the last four months, mostly around Welborne, but also some in Coston and Runhall. I plan to continue with more litter picking throughout my Easter holidays. I have found lots of discarded litter, mainly cans, glass bottles and food wrappers.



When litter picking along Common Road in Welborne, I was astonished by the amount of dog mess on the verges and researched if there was any way of highlighting the mess to act as a deterrent to others. I found some biodegradable spray paint on Amazon (which the Forestry Commission use) so I have also spent some time in spraying the various piles of dog mess around Welborne (in neon pink!) which has provided somewhat of a talking point!!



My Community Service to date (31 March) amounts to around 10 hours of sign cleaning and 12 hours of litter picking. It is nice to see no litter on the verges so I am going to carry on doing some litter picking close to my house even when my Community Service has finished.

I have lots of photos of the work I have been doing, but have included some in this report as evidence of the service I have completed.