

Reports on Previous Events

February Floop Clean-up - starting at Longford Rd bridge, it was good to see that the level of littering there was surprisingly light. Not sure why, perhaps some new local involvement?

We headed East and got as far as Gorton Cemetery thus doing the whole of the Shillingford Rd section. Enthusiasm from the group was such that we managed to tackle

the long-standing heavy littering in the bushes next to the barriers just before the Secret Lake.

Very satisfying. In all 25 bags of litter were collected as well as miscellaneous items including an ENORMOUS tyre which I trust Tom (Sustrans) could dispose of OK!

We experimented with a camping gas stove and kettle to heat water for cups of freshly brewed tea and coffee at half-time. Unfortunately, it took absolutely ages to heat the water so it's back to the drawing board on this one !

To top it all, an appreciative local resident put a 'Thank You' poster on the signpost at Longford Rd bridge which then got photographed and posted on the Friends Of the Fallowfield Loop Facebook page (see picture) !

February Yellow Brick Road (Old Stockport Canal) Clean-up - due to a diary clash with a Canal Society event, there were just 3 of us but lack of numbers did not mean lack of effort and we did a job clearing the section from the Ashton Old Rd bridge to the concrete 'tank traps' further up the path. In all, we filled 12 bags and finished just before the rain started (see picture)!

We quite often get some interest from local Gorton/Openshaw residents who say they would like to join us but for one reason or another, it doesn't happen. Any suggestions as to how we might change this would be welcomed. The long term aim is that local people take pride in their bit of the path so that it improves and more local people will use it, etc. Makes sense ?