



**Readstone  
Environment  
Group**

**“ Live in the sunshine, swim the sea, drink the wild air”. (Anon)**

## **Our Next Get Together**

**Church Garden Party** - Sunday June 8<sup>th</sup>. 1-3pm. We are having a plant stall including wild primroses and cowslips. Half the money goes to the church roof fund. It would be great to see you there.

### **Balsam Bashing**

We aim to start the first session of the year next week.

**12<sup>th</sup> June 2pm** at Law Farm.

**19<sup>th</sup> June 6 30pm**. Either Law Farm or Read Lodge Wood. We will be pleased if you can join with us.

**Foraging Walk 24<sup>th</sup> July** at Lomeshaye with Pete Compo. More details later. Bring a friend.

**Thankyou to all the litter pickers** for doing their regular stint. Thankyou also to the seven people who picked up by the Calder in May. 16 hrs 14 ½ bags. The litter was less as the banks haven't flooded for a while.

Anti litter decals have been given to the schools for their litter bins and one is to go up in the playground. The 2 minute litter pick board has been repaired by Andrew.

**The Gardening Group** have been busy weeding and doing a lot of watering in many places around the village including the Village Hall. Thankyou to Automotive Tools, the Cricket Club and Fortvale for helping out with supplies of water. I never thought I would be pleased to see it rain! We are not sure how the hedge saplings behind the tennis club have fared in the dry weather. Pete has done some sterling work in spreading compost from the cricket club around the garden areas.

The tiny seedling primroses and cowslips have really come on and instead of planting in the Autumn, some have been planted out today.

### **Calendar Dates**

**It's PLASTIC FREE JULY**

You could join the Plastic Pollution Campaign, (see below) making producers of plastic more accountable for the pollution they cause. Every piece of plastic produced is still on the earth. The amount of plastic we use on daily basis is mind blowing.

You can help to turn the tide and start to cut down on single use plastic by re-using, refilling and substituting plastic for other materials. Eg, glass milk bottles, re-useable water bottles.

[https://www.sas.org.uk/plastic-pollution/our-plastic-pollution-campaigns/?utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=Plastic%20Free%20Communities%20June%20Newsletter&utm\\_content=Plastic%20Free%20Communities%20June%20Newsletter+CID\\_a58e45e2421d3f92d127c94cc601032f&utm\\_source=campaign\\_monitor&utm\\_term=More%20info](https://www.sas.org.uk/plastic-pollution/our-plastic-pollution-campaigns/?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Plastic%20Free%20Communities%20June%20Newsletter&utm_content=Plastic%20Free%20Communities%20June%20Newsletter+CID_a58e45e2421d3f92d127c94cc601032f&utm_source=campaign_monitor&utm_term=More%20info)

**3<sup>rd</sup> Plastic Bag free day,**

**14<sup>th</sup> World Orca day**

Gayle. June 5<sup>th</sup> 2025 (07779506499)

See Penny below a few years ago with a gigantic Himalayan Balsam stem near Read Garden Centre.

