Task #	20-10	Date:	6 th August	Review Date:	Nov 20
15 114			Meet:	Humphrey Perkins School	
			Summary:	Clear overgrowth ready for restart of school term	
I14		Volunteers:	8		
	III3		Time:	10:00	12:00
	School		Weather:	Hot, sticky but cloudy	

A bit of an old regular for us which we last tidied in December, although I do know of at least 2 or 3 of the team doing their own guerrilla gardening and litter picking this way during lockdown which certainly helped to keep it down. Thank you.

The Cotes Road entrance to the path starts lovely and wide so ample room for everyone to social distance, but then the path narrows alongside the school, and with it being full of nettles at knee high one side and ivy at head height on the other side it needed a lot of communication between the team to move onto the next gap safely.



Fresh nettles - ouch!



Pat braving the nettles to get past Phil

Bob took charge of the newly sharpened slasher (thank you Mick) and soon got rid of those stingers! With the school children due back within a few more weeks we cleared as many of the nettles from the narrowest part of the path as possible but left plenty where the path widens again on the entrance to Buttermere Way. They were certainly fresh and didn't half come keen!

Although Liz did a great job again picking up lots of litter from around the area closest to the school, there was a lot we had to leave in the school grounds. For some reason no-one fancied climbing the fence to get the cardboard and other litter just too big to pull through the gaps.







Trimmed and cleared of overgrowing bramble

The area at the end of the path from Buttermere way to Strancliffe Lane was the last part of our task today. Lots of brambles already heavily encroaching onto the path despite our best efforts last year to get it under control. It's not the right time of the year to cut it back too much as the fruit is just ripening so it was another tidy up and trim to keep the overgrowth under control so small children and those using pushchairs and bicycles can get past safely.



Thanks again Team, another great job well done.

<u>Next Task:</u> Thursday 20th August 10:00 Meet by the Hunting Lodge

