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LSRA AGM APRIL 2022 Chair's Report April 2021 – March 2022

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We still managed to pack lots of things into 2021 despite the ongoing issues arising from the Covid pandemic.

We did 11 litter picks between May and September and another one in January 2022. Thanks to all who came to help and support. We have been liaising with Mark O'Pray, Levenshulme Neighbourhood Office, who is working with us to reduce/eliminate the littering and rubbish dumped in our area. Around 73 people filled in our Litter Questionnaire and the follow-up questions – we had a great response to this and have shared our findings with Mark as well as locally.

At our last AGM we tentatively planned a street party for August 2021 which became Lev Square Fest 2021 – our biggest and best yet. We held two workshops to make bunting and signs for the day. It was fantastic to be supported by so many people and organisations who all came together to make it a great day. Thanks also to the local organisations who supported us with donations of money and/or equipment, such as Inspire, Levy Market and Great Places Housing; and we were awarded an NIF grant from Manchester CC.

Following this, we held a workshop to make Scarecrows for the Levenshulme Scarecrow Trail. Unfortunately, this did not happen Levenshulme wide, but we held our own Squarecrow Trail in the Lev Square area.

It has been a privilege to be part of the great Lev Square Residents' team – thanks to all involved, especially Lauren who has worked so hard to give us a professional media presence, and to educate me about how to use the technology (an ongoing task).

Debbie Burton

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