Boston Castle Ward

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BOSTON CASTLE WARD—PRIORITIES AND RESPONSES

**Priority 1 - Strengthen belonging and communities feeling safer in Boston Castle ward**

Boston Castle’s Councillors have ensured a pro-active, co-ordinated response to such issues.

**Duke of Norfolk estate**

- Ward Councillors initiated and led a Tasking Group involving residents, Police, Community Safety and Neighbourhoods Service in response to community concerns regarding high no of burglaries
- Presented proposals to a public meeting at the Town Hall attended by 120+ residents
- As a result, ward budget funded several measures including CCTV on entrance points to estate and barriers installed on a number of alleyways throughout the estate.

Duke of Norfolk residents were given a special award by the Police Crime Commissioner for the pro-active work they did including establishing a WhatsApp group with over 150 residents

**Nelson Street, Wharncliffe**

- Community concerns were raised in response to which Councillors called a meeting with RMBC CPU, SYP and the local Housing provider
- Agreed a letter be sent to every household in area; Acknowledging concerns, Informing residents of actions being taken to address those concerns and Emphasising importance of using recognised channels of reporting

**Harcourt Terrace / Badsley Moor Lane and Broom Road / Arundel Road**

- Community concerns were raised in response to which Councillors held a meeting with partners and a follow up meeting with residents in the Clifton Park Garden Room
- Put in CCTV, received positive feedback

**Clifton Mount**

- Community concerns were raised at a surgery in response to which Councillors asked officers to develop and deliver an Action Plan
- Progress reports were provided by Councillors and RMBC CPU / Neighbourhoods at subsequent surgeries – received positive feedback
Priority 2 - Engage and involve local communities, voluntary and community organisations and businesses to support Boston Castle ward priorities

Ward Budget – Dragons Den Event 10th Oct ‘17
- Groups were invited to bid into the Ward Budget and pitch to the public at a Dragons Den event
- Residents and Councillors agreed to fund 6 projects including Rotherham African Drummers and Canklow Rainbow Kids Club
- The Boston Castle Ward Budget has also funded other projects including Casting Innovations and Clifton Park Community Gym.

Priority 3 - Work with the community on specific local developments
Boston Castle ward includes very different neighbourhoods as well as the Town Centre. The Councillors hold ward networking events bringing people together to update and where possible work with them on specific local developments. Progress reports have been provided in relation to; Boston / Clifton Parks, Rothwell Grange and the Town Centre including the relocation of the bus station.

Priority 4 - Celebrate achievements and bring communities together
The ward networking event in December is a chance to say thank you to partners and residents. The Councillors have presented Community Angel Awards in 2017 and 2018.