

Rother Vale Ward

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PUTTING COMMUNITIES AT THE HEART OF EVERYTHING WE DO

Each of the boroughs 21 Wards have developed a Ward Plan and received a Ward Budget to support the delivery of their plan's priorities. In Rother Vale we have identified the following priorities;

- Build community capacity by supporting community groups and voluntary sector organisations to develop and deliver a wide range of community based services and activities across the Ward.
- Support and develop community safety initiatives in response to emerging hotspots and areas of concern.
- Champion initiatives to decrease loneliness and social isolation and improve physical and mental health and wellbeing
- Support and develop community based initiatives that tackle environmental issues and aim to improve the general appearance of the neighbourhood.
- Explore opportunities to promote lifelong learning and community education

Over the past several months we have delivered a number of projects across the ward that support our ward priorities:-

£5000 has been allocated to play areas across the ward. These include Ulley, Orgreave and Brampton-en-le-Morthen. The funding will contribute towards updating current equipment and making play areas more accessible and safe for children of all ages to enjoy.

Friends of Ulley Country Park secured funding to establish a Brass Rubbings Trail around the park and a contribution towards their Summer Arts Festival

£500 was used to support a monthly Luncheon Club at Treeton Community Centre which provides a 2 course hot meal for local people.

After speaking to residents we are currently working with partners and volunteers to set up monthly afternoon 'I-Tea' sessions at the centre. People will have access to the internet, free wifi and equipment and be able to speak to Ward Members, Housing staff and Police Officers.



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£4177.50 was spent on CCTV equipment to tackle fly-tipping, littering and dog fouling in the area. The funding enabled us to purchase 2 CCTV cameras, one is a portable dome camera that can be fitted to a lamp post and the other is a hidden camera. These cameras are being deployed in hotspot areas in the Rother Vale Ward and offenders caught will be prosecuted.

£1600 paid for Bollards outside Willows School to prevent cars parking on the grass verges and making the area safer.

£830 has been allocated for Community Safety items which include Card Defenders, Defender Purse/Bag Cables and Keychain LED Torches. These have been given out to local residents at community events across the ward. We are currently working with Stay Put Handyman Service to fit a number of target hardening items such as shed alarms and window alarms to elderly and vulnerable residents.

£1400 was allocated to Waverley Residents Association to purchase and fit a solar powered £750 provided match funding to Thurcroft Bowling Club which improved accessibility for disabled users by providing a ramp and shelter.

Following concerns raised by residents around cars speeding in Treeton we arranged a site visit with Highways who advised using the speed activated road sign. We have allocated £4000 for a mobile sign that can be used across the ward.

We have worked with the RVW Area Housing Panel to provide match funding to complete a fencing project in Thurcroft. The fencing will provide security to vulnerable residents, making them feel safer in their homes.

Great British Spring Clean – we allocated £2300 to Community Clean-ups, focusing on Thurcroft and Treeton. Local residents identified a number of overgrown snickets in Thurcroft. Over the summer we set to work clearing and cutting back these snickets.

We supported the Big Local to further develop their community litter picks and skip days by providing a 35 ton skip and purchasing a handcart to make litter picking more accessible to a wide range of people. In Treeton we held a community skip and litter pick day with Treeton community centre. The day was a great success and as a result we have managed to support the development of a new group 'Treeton Village Picker Litters'. This group now meet monthly and we have worked with Streetpride to secure them their own litter picking kit and cart.

Through community consultation we have worked with partners and the voluntary sector to develop and deliver a programme of multi-agency drop-in sessions alongside, advice and free use of IT equipment and internet access.

The growth of Waverley radically altered the demography of the southwest of the Borough. Rother Vale ward councillors supported Orgreave Parish Council in their request for a parish boundary review to reflect this. The review led through public consultation to the formation of the new Waverley Community Council.

