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Report to Full Council

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Ward priorities

To support and develop initiatives to improve the local environment.

- Support and develop local litter picking groups
- Raise awareness and education around environmental issues working with local schools and community groups
- Community Clean up days
- Towns and villages fund

To support and develop initiatives to improve residents mental and physical health and wellbeing.

- To support residents during the cost of living crisis by exploring advice and guidance opportunities.

Reduce ASB and Crime in the hotspot areas

- Identify opportunities to increase facilities and activities for young people in Kiveton.

To support local community and voluntary organisations.

- To continue to support through the CLF funding and to identify other funding opportunities.
- To support networking opportunities for local organisations to come together to share ideas and best practice.

Investing in our Area

Over the past year or so we have been busy supporting local initiatives and local community groups through a small local grants fund. Overall, we have invested £15,000 to help deliver a new play area in Harthill in conjunction with Harthill Parish Council and supported Kiveton Cricket Club and Waleswood Cricket Club with new investments at their clubs. We are delighted to be able to fund some great local projects to improve what is on offer for local people. We have made small contributions to Kiveton Football Club, Wales Parish Bowls, Harthill Well Dressing Group, Harthill Primary School, Kiveton Library, Wales Panto Players and many more



Rother Valley Transformation

We are absolutely delighted that our efforts over the years to raise the profile and need for investment at Rother Valley Country Park have been heard. You may not be aware that there is to be a significant investment of £5.5 million managed by Rotherham Council to deliver a new lakeside café, improved play facilities and a much better visitor experience overall. This is going to happen and you will start to see work begin very soon down at the Country Park. We are very lucky to have such a wonderful outdoor space right on our doorstep and it is set to get even better!



Housing Project

Through the Ward Housing Hub fund, 62 bungalows were fitted with security lighting to help with anti-social behaviour around their properties.

31 Bungalows on Danby Road, Keeton Hall Road, Essex Close, and Saxon Road in Kiveton Park and 31 bungalows on Carver Close, Carver Way, Hewitt Place and Winney Hill in Harthill now have the security lights fitted.

During the difficult time of the pandemic we were also able to get security lights fitted on Peregrine Way, School Close and Victoria Court.

The feedback from the residents has been very positive as they feel much safer within their homes.



Public Realm Investment



Kiveton Park is by far the largest settlement we represent along with the most residents and footfall. Through Rotherham Council's new Towns and Villages Fund we are hoping to deliver an improvement to the public realm from the library/end of Chestnut Ave along Wales Road to the end of Limetree Ave. There is never enough money for things like this so we are hoping to ensure the allocation we do receive stretches as far as we can. This area of the village is a key focal point that hundreds of cars and pedestrians use every day. It is the civic centre of the village with the library, Village Hall and Parish Rooms all in close proximity and we are hoping to deliver an improvement on how this area currently looks.