

# Rotherham West Ward

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## Ward priorities

1. To support initiatives addressing the impact of Covid-19 on Rotherham West ward and also those which address mental health issues
2. To ensure a co-ordinated response to crime and anti-social behaviour (including environmental issues) with a particular focus on Ferham
3. To celebrate local heritage and ambition
4. To work with our local schools on issues important to them

This last year, like the previous one, has been a busy one for Rotherham West with some useful and interesting projects undertaken. We continue to work with our communities and our partners to identify and address issues as effectively as possible. Our partnership with South Yorkshire Police is excellent and mutually supportive, leading to a great level of service for ward residents. And recent links with Green Spaces has identified areas for targeted action days as they tie in their work to our ward priorities.

It is not possible, here, to list all our works over the last two years so we have chosen a few representative examples of projects to give you an idea.

In response to concerns from residents over on-street parking at Oakdale and Edale roads, particularly as pupils were dropped off and collected from Kelford Special School, we made budget available to lay plastic grids on a field adjacent to the school, to act as an overflow car park.

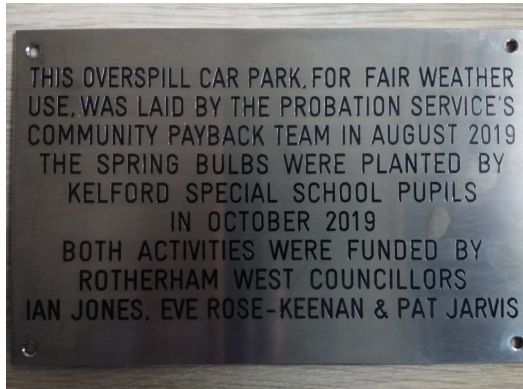


This work was undertaken with help from Probation Service's Community Payback and the kind loan of a driver and roller from a local firm.

Among other works, we installed goal posts in Ferham Park to provide activity for local youths.

To help address fly tipping and associated ASB, we funded the installation of a CCTV at Droppingwell Lane, which quickly led to a successful prosecution by RMBC. Gates installed at Ewers Road garages prevented unauthorised access at night and the dumping of litter and is another example of steps taken to prevent littering and fly tipping in Rotherham West.

But we did other, more inspirational, projects too. With pupils from Meadowview Primary at Richmond Park Avenue, and on Oakdale road with pupils from Kelford Special School, we planted bulbs to brighten school journeys in Spring and to give the children a sense of pride when they see the results of their work. To finish these landscaping works, we installed large boulders with plaques recognising the children's work.



Local charity, Shiloh, was presented with a new table-tennis table to complete their outdoor refurbishment. This can be moved inside as the weather dictates and is a useful addition to the charities facilities, to help attract service users who can then be engaged with to receive tailored help.

To support those voluntary sector groups providing critical assistance and support during the pandemic, we have made funds available to local food banks. Also to other organisations such as the YMCA to fund activity packs to keep children amused. The funds were not limited to food either. Capital items such as industrial freezers have been purchased to help them cope with the additional demand facing them



As the crucible of Rotherham's industrial development, we were keen to mark Holmes' place in the town's rich history. We did this by installing a lectern at the Walker Mausoleum, which was unveiled before Ferham Primary pupils who also got a sneak look inside the mausoleum itself.