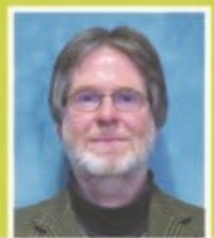




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## Rother Vale Ward Report 2020/21

Our ward has a set of priorities that are important to the people within it. We use these priorities when allocating our ward budget and Community Leadership Fund. It helps us to ensure that we support projects that make a real difference to an area and a community. Although this has been a difficult year for us all, we have seen many groups and organisations pull together and help each other through difficult times, changing the way they do things to adapt to the situation. We have supported 10 organisations to deliver 12 projects across the ward.

### Priority 1 - Support communities to recover and reconnect after the current Pandemic

- ◆ The Thurcroft Coronavirus Action Group was set up by a group of volunteers that came together in a time of crisis to make food packs for the vulnerable and isolating in Thurcroft.
- ◆ Treeton Community Centre received funding for vital PPE items and equipment to enable them to make the centre a Covid compliant facility. They also received funds for a concrete base and storage container that will provide valuable storage facilities for a wide range of groups to deliver projects from the centre.
- ◆ Thurcroft Bowling Club secured funding to purchase hand sanitiser and masks to be used to ensure their members can safely access the facilities once restrictions are lifted and they are allowed to open up again.
- ◆ Ulley Millennium Trust have improved the lighting in their hall by adding wall lights. This will help increase the use to a wider range of groups and individuals and broaden the range of activities it provides in the village.



### Priority 2 - Actively support projects that aim to improve physical and mental health and well being.

- ◆ Treeton Primary school purchased 15 new 'Crumble' circuit systems to be used to teach pupils the basic skills they need when designing electronic devices and being innovative designers. This project offers an opportunity to develop their skills in a new area away from the rigours of the core curriculum.
- ◆ Ulley Sailing Club received a contribution towards a new gazebo that will provide a safe outdoor space for their members to meet that is sheltered from the elements.
- ◆ Ulley Parish Council have gained match funding to revamp their existing play area and have fitted a brand new 4 way see-saw.
- ◆ Brampton-en-le-morthen Village Association secured funding to fit a defibrillator on the side of the local pub to provide a vital life line for the villagers.



### Priority 3 - Address Crime and promote community safety

- ◆ Waverley Junior Academy provided parking buddies to help promote road safety outside schools during drop off and pick up times.
- ◆ South Yorkshire Police have carried out a number of Speed Watches in the Ward. As a result we have funded mobile speed activated signs to be deployed in hotspot areas.
- ◆ We have worked with the Housing Hub to provide fencing around the flats at St Withold Avenue in Thurcroft. Railings fitted along the front of the properties by the foot-path has prevented people from walking in front of the windows of the flats at ground level and also discourage anyone on the pavement from discarding rubbish on the grass verge and stops issues of dog fouling. This has ensured residents feel safer in their homes.
- ◆ Community Safety items which include Card Defenders, Defender Purse/Bag Cables and Keychain LED Torches have been purchased and distributed to residents across the Ward.



### Priority 4 - Enhance the appearance of communities, creating clean and green environments

- ◆ Community Skip days have been carried out with community groups and joint funded skips have been provided with the Housing and Neighbourhood Team.
- ◆ Treeton Village Picker litters have been provided with an external storage cupboard for their litter picking equipment. Although lockdown has prevented them meeting as a group they have continued to go out as individuals or in household bubbles to carry out their voluntary litter picks.
- ◆ Waverley Community Council have secured funding towards their new community garden room. This will be a community building located in the community garden at Waverley. It will provide a wonderful meeting space for a wide range of community activities and events.
- ◆ The Friends of Ulley Country Park have worked with us to pilot a Super Bin Trial. The heavy duty bin is also able to store litter picking equipment which is locked away safely when not in use. Anyone wanting to carry out a litter pick whilst on their walk can use a code to release the equipment. When they have finished they can lock them away again for the next person to use. The group will work with park rangers to deliver and monitor the success of the bin, which could be rolled out across the borough.

