

### Boston Castle Ward Budget Summary 2019/20

In 2019/20 Wingfield ward members were responsible for the following devolved budgets –

- £4,452 Community Leadership Fund (£1,484 per councillor)
- £10,000 Capital budget

Any monies unspent in 2018/19 were carried forward and added to these budgets. In total the Boston Castle Councillors allocated £19,414.06 in 2019/20.

#### Cllr. Rose McNeely – Community Leadership Fund (£1,504)

Organisation	Activity	Amount £
Diversity Festival (Boroughwide)	2 day festival at Rotherham show	100.00
Angel Nook	Create a changing room for adults with complex needs disabilities	163.00
Yorkshire Performance Preparation Academy	Room hire for rehearsals	250.00
UMCC - Summer Club	To provide Creche/Support Workers/refreshments	150.00
Lighthouse Homes	Purchase 3 beds, mattress & pillows	125.00
Solo Dance Fitness	Resources towards 10 sessions	125.00
Canklow Rainbow Kids Club)	Equipment for Group	125.00
Canklow Kidz	Room hire for sessions	125.00
Friends of Clifton Park	Clifton Park Tree friends - equipment	113.45
Liberty Church Trophies - World Cup of Nations	Interfaith week event trophies for football tournament	125.00
Rotherham Hospice	Painting of the external railings	100.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>£1,501.45</b>

#### Cllr. Saghir Alam – Community Leadership Fund (£1,761)

Organisation	Activity	Amount £
Diversity Festival (Boroughwide)	2 day festival at Rotherham show	100.00
Angel Nook	Create a changing room for adults with complex needs disabilities	162.00
UMCC - Summer Club	To provide Creche/Support Workers/refreshments	150.00
Lighthouse Homes	Purchase 3 beds, mattress & pillows	125.00
Solo Dance Fitness	Resources towards 10 sessions	125.00
Canklow Rainbow Kids Club	Equipment for Group	125.00
Canklow Kidz	Room hire for sessions	125.00
Friends of Clifton Park	Clifton Park Tree friends - equipment	113.45
Rotherham Friends Indeed	Food for homeless & needy + high-viz vests	435.55
Sangeet Choir Group	Sangeet Choir Group sessions	300.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,761</b>

Cllr. Taiba Yasseen – Community Leadership Fund (£1,740)

Organisation	Activity	Amount £
Angel Nook	Create a changing room for adults with complex needs disabilities	163.00
Broom Valley Primary school trees	environmental trees	1,000.00
Naya Zindagi	Nayi Zindagi drop-in's	577.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,740</b>

Ward Revenue Budget (£0)

Organisation/Project	Activity	Amount £

Ward Capital Budget (£14,494)

Organisation/Project	Activity	Amount £
RMBC Traffic	Illuminated speed sign	2,417.61
RMBC Transport	Samaritans street signage	150.00
RMBC Green Spaces	Herringthorpe Playing Fields fencing	950.00
Canklow Rainbows Kids Club	Sports equipment & storage shed	307.00
Canklow Woods Primary School	Eco reading shelter	1,100.00
Chapel Walk mosque	Classroom projector	1,000.00
RMBC Regeneration & Environment	Broom Valley Primary School trees	749.00
Madni Jamia Trust	Refurb of the old nursery building into Community Hub	7,738
<b>Total</b>		<b>14,411.61</b>

Contribution to Ward Priorities

Many projects and services funded contributed to tackling several of the ward priorities. The table below indicates the **main** priority to which the funding awarded was focused.

Priority	CLF/ Revenue (£)	Capital (£)	Total (£)
Ensure a co-ordinated response to crime and anti-social behaviour, with a particular focus on Wellgate House, Wharnccliffe Flats, Herringthorpe Playing Fields and Boston Castle Grove	0	11,105.61	<b>11,105.61</b>
Update and work with the community on specific local developments (not measured via funding)	0	0	<b>0</b>
Celebrate achievements and bring communities together, strengthening a sense of belonging	5,002.45	3,306	<b>8,308.45</b>
	<b>5,002.45</b>	<b>14,411.61</b>	<b>19,414.06</b>

## Contribution to Sectors

Boston Castle Ward Councillors supported 16 community organisations in 2019/20 through their ward budget as well as providing additional services via public sector partners or purchasing items/equipment from the private sector for community activities.

Sector	CLF/ Revenue (£)	Capital (£)	Total (£)
Voluntary & Community Sector	4,002.45	9,045	13,047.45
Public Sector	1,000	4,266.61	5,266.61
Private Sector	0	1,100	1,100
	<b>5,002.45</b>	<b>14,411.61</b>	<b>19,414.06</b>

## Beneficiaries

The majority of projects and services funded are accessible and for the benefit of the whole community. Thousands of residents benefitted from these projects. For example, the activities that ran through the Friends of Clifton Park were enjoyed by local children and parents from across the borough, and the contribution towards the old nursery building on Gerard Road will eventually become a Community Hub. Councillors also funded activity targeted at particular communities with protected characteristics across the ward.

Sector	CLF/ Revenue (£)	Capital (£)	Total (£)	No. of beneficiaries
Black & Minority Ethnic Communities	725	1,000	1,725	165 - estimate
People over 60	unknown	unknown	unknown	unknown
Children / young people under 19	2,276.9	2,156	4,432.9	420 - estimate
Disability	1,315	unknown	1,315	100 - estimate

**\*\*\* No. of beneficiaries are predicted numbers from looking at application forms and how many students at the schools. Monitoring forms not yet received**

The majority of projects and services funded are accessible and for the benefit of the whole community e.g.

- Fencing at Herringthorpe Playing Fields
- New Samaritans Street Sign in the town centre
- Beds and mattresses for Lighthouse Homes
- Food and equipment for the homeless for Rotherham Friends Indeed
- An illuminated speed sign which has been deployed based on data and in response to community concerns
- Materials to paint the railings at Rotherham Hospice

Some projects have benefited certain communities with protected characteristics e.g.

- Age
  - Canklow Kidz funding for room hire and sports equipment
  - Trees at Broom Valley Primary School
  - Eco reading Shelter at Canklow Woods Primary School

- Black and Minority Ethic Communities
  - Trophies for Interfaith Week event
- Disabled
  - Exercise sessions from Solo Dance Fitness
  - Contribution towards a new changing room at Angel Nook Centre
  - Naya Zindagi drop in sessions

## **Case Studies**

The table above shows the amount of budget allocated under each priority:

- The Illuminated Speed Sign is an example of a project aimed to **Ensure a co-ordinated response to crime and anti-social behaviour, with a particular focus on Wellgate House, Wharncliffe Flats, Herringthorpe Playing Fields and Boston Castle Grove**
- The Sangheet Choir Group sessions is an example of a project seeking to **celebrate achievements and bring communities together creating a sense of belonging**

The largest amount of budget was allocated to the priority concerned with **Ensure a co-ordinated response to crime and anti-social behaviour, with a particular focus on Wellgate House, Wharncliffe Flats, Herringthorpe Playing Fields and Boston Castle Grove**. The main stand-out example from last year is -

### **Wellgate House**

Wellgate House is owned by Places for People and in 2018 it was reported that the car park adjacent to the building had the highest rate of anti-social behaviour (ASB) on bonfire night, Since then there has been reports of youths gathering in the Wellgate House car park and surrounding areas causing distress to local residents. Throughout 2019/2020 there have been numerous multi agency meetings including Boston Castle Ward Councillors, South Yorkshire Police, Council officers and members of the local Mosque to develop an action plan to target the ASB.

As a result of these meetings there is now an established WhatsApp group ran solely by local residents who support each other and report any ASB to the police and ward councillors who are both part of the group.

Ward Councillors also allocated some of their capital ward budget to the local Mosque to enable them to turn what used to be an old nursery into a widely used Community Hub. This is an ongoing project and will be widely used for youth provision, family learning and education. This will enable young people to have a safe place to go to socialise and learn new skills.

We are happy to report that there has now been a significant decrease in the reports of ASB in this area.



As part  
Boston  
also hold



Ward Plan,  
Councillors  
ward

of their  
Castle  
numerous

events throughout the year. This year saw 5 community groups come along and pitch their ideas for a chance to receive funding from the ward pot. It was a great event with over £600 being allocated to community groups on the night!

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> February also saw 14 community members receive recognition for their hard work and dedication at the Boston Castle Community Champion Awards. Trophies were presented to 14 community members on the night by Ward Councillors and the Mayor and Mayoress of Rotherham. There was plenty of food to be enjoyed and a magical musical performance by a local resident too. It was a fantastic night and we look forward to celebrating the community's achievements again next year!

