

# **Longhill & Bilton Grange** ward plan 2023 to 2028







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#### WELCOME STATEMENT

Welcome to the Longhill & Bilton Grange Ward Plan for 2023-28, we hope that you will find the information contained in our plan to be useful. We wanted to prioritise the issues that you have indicated are important to you, and we want to show how we hope to address these issues by providing examples of projects we wish to undertake or support.

We believe that through working together in partnership with you as residents and with our various partners we can make a positive impact in the Longhill & Bilton Grange Ward.

#### INTRODUCTION

The purpose of the Ward Plan is to demonstrate how we intend to work towards revitalising our neighbourhoods by collaborating with our residents to tackle the issues that matter to you on your doorstep. We want to improve outcomes for local people on local issues that affect your quality of life, and further enhance the community leadership role of your local councillors.

The Plan was developed by using Ward knowledge gained through conversations with local people and reviewing all customer engagement/enquiries with the council and partners.

This Ward Plan marks the start of a new way of collaborating with our communities and compliments work underway with the Community Plan at a city level plus the emerging Area Plan. As well as changing what we do, this Plan will change how we do things. New and easy ways for people to have their say and get involved will be developed to ensure everyone can play a part in creating the Hull we all want to see. Although this is a 5-year plan, we will review our ambitions and priorities annually from April, 2024 with direct input from you, as residents of the ward.

#### **OUR PRIORITIES**

- Priority 1 Identify and investigate potential for off-road parking schemes
- Priority 2- To improve community safety (including nuisance motor bikes)
- Priority 3- To improve cleanliness of local environment including open and green spaces

Having reviewed all the ward knowledge, we will look to develop projects and initiatives to respond to these issues.

# PRIORITY 1 – IDENTIFY AND INVESTIGATE POTENTIAL FOR OFF-ROAD PARKING SCHEMES

Longhill & Bilton Grange Ward residents want the parking situation in the ward addressing.

#### What we will do to deliver this priority

- 1) Consult with residents on issues around parking and potential off road parking schemes in the ward boundary.
- 2) When funding is available, commission highways to undertake feasibility studies of potential sites for off road parking schemes. Ensure that schemes are environmentally friendly.
- 3) Ensure any off-road parking projects benefit the wider community of Longhill & Bilton Grange Ward.

#### How we will deliver this priority

- The Neighbourhood Co-ordinator will audit identified areas and then provide a report to the ward members at their monthly meeting.
- Engage with residents via engagement activities such as forums, meetings, newsletters and social media.
- Support off road parking schemes each year via the ward budget, where the funds are available.
- Keep a list of potential of suggested locations to re-visit when further funds become available.
- Ensure selected schemes are environmentally friendly.

# PRIORITY 2 – TO IMPROVE COMMUNITY SAFETY (INCLUDING NUISANCE MOTORBIKES)

Living in a safe environment is of significant importance to Longhill & Bilton Grange Ward residents.

#### What we will do to deliver this priority

- 1) Hold regular surgeries with partners such as police and neighbourhood nuisance.
- 2) Work with Humberside Police and other partners to reduce crime and antisocial behaviour in our communities.
- 3) Regular patch-walks to proactively identify issues and report appropriately.

# How we will deliver this priority

- Liaise with partners to arrange surgeries across the ward to speak directly to residents for their concerns, thoughts and suggestions.
- Explore funding opportunities to support initiatives by partners that directly target on crime reduction measures.
- Arrange multi-partner patch walks in various localities across the ward to identify concerns and issues.

# PRIORITY 3 - TO IMPROVE CLEANLINESS OF LOCAL ENVIRONMENT INCLUDING OPEN AND GREEN SPACES

A clean, pleasant, and well-maintained environment is particularly important to residents according to survey results and local knowledge.

# What we will do to deliver this priority

- 1) Develop environmental schemes to enhance areas.
- 2) Maintain street and area cleanliness exploring new and alternative approaches to improving the environment.
- 3) Work with Love your Street, environmental crime officers on environmental inspections to combat problems in neighbourhoods in terms of graffiti, contaminated bins, and litter.
- 4) Continue to look for solutions to address fly tipping/waste management issues across the ward.
- 5) Promote and engage residents in community litter picking activities with Love Your Street.

#### How we will deliver this priority

- Liaise with partners such as Living with Water to develop planting schemes in and near to water retention areas to improve attractiveness of areas.
- Explore additional bins and dog waste bag dispensers across ward.
- Audit and arrange regular cleaning of street furniture for example 5G cabinets in the ward that are subject to graffiti.
- Work with local schools to attend along with environmental officers to discuss graffiti, fly tipping to key stage pupils.
- Develop local initiatives that respond to identify environmental issues.

# CONTINUING THE CONVERSATION

# YOURS VIEWS MATTER

We are committed to listening and involving you in decisions that affect you. As a result, we understand that there will be times when we need to engage with you on specific ward-based issues. This will ensure that we collect valid and robust data, in a consistent and accurate way, which can confidently be used in evidence-based decision making, with the resident voice at its heart.

We will continue to engage with you through a variety of other ways, this could be public forums, specific localised meetings, street surgeries with partner agencies such as Humberside Police or Humberside Fire and Rescue, ward-based events, newsletters and through our social media platforms. Your ward councillors will continue to be active in the ward and hold regular surgeries for you to engage with them directly.

Information on how you can get involved and help shape your neighbourhood can be found on the council's Neighbourhood Team webpage - www.hull.gov.uk/neighbourhoodteam .

# TOGETHER WE CAN

As residents of the Longhill & Bilton Grange Ward, you can expect us to work in partnership wherever possible to impact positively on the identified priorities. We also recognise that sometimes the desired impact fails to materialise for any number of reasons, however we will consider what went wrong and learn lessons to try again. Data we publish will be publicly available and we aim to be transparent and open.

Background information on the ward's demographic profile and data used in developing this plan will be available on the Council's Neighbourhood Teams webpage in due course.