

# Foredyke Neighbourhood Team Annual Report

January 2021- March 2022

Kingswood, North Carr & West Carr Wards



Foredyke Green at the heart of the Foredyke Area

# Introduction to Your Neighbourhood Team

The Neighbourhood Team is central to the effective implementation of Neighbourhood working. Our aim is to revitalise neighbourhoods by working with you our local residents to tackle the issues that matter to you on your doorstep. We work to improve outcomes for local people on local issues, further enhancing the community leadership role of your local councillors.



We are made up of seven Neighbourhood Teams (Riverside, West, Wyke, North, Foredyke, East & Park) based on the grouping of electoral wards shown on the map.

The Teams are located throughout the City. Contact details for your Neighbourhood Team are provided at the back of this annual report, including contact details for your Local Councillor.

# What we do

We will work to address issues that impact on residents' quality of life. Each ward has a named Neighbourhood Coordinator supports local councillors in setting local priorities and delivering key projects to improve your local area, building pride within our communities.

The Neighbourhood Team produced a Ward Plan to guide our work for 2021-2022. Ward Plans are available on the council website (www.hull.gov.uk/neighbourhoodteam) and document the actions required to address Ward issues, drawing upon the assets – people and places – who make a difference. Our intention over the coming year is to continue working together to resolve issues and ensure we are doing the right things. This involves making the best use of our assets and resources, bringing all together to work in partnership.

This Annual Report outlines our achievements during the period January 2021 up to March 2022 against the priorities summarised in this document.

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# Area Priorities

Our key aim is to identify all opportunities for residents, businesses, and visitors to contribute to and benefit from the Council's Corporate Plan.

<u>COVID-19 RESPONSE.</u> The Neighbourhood Team joined many of its colleagues across the Council and its wider partners to provide a community response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Team formed part of the Hull COVID-19 Community Response Hub set up to coordinate assistance to residents who lived alone; who were self-isolating with partners or relatives or those suffering financial or other difficulties as a result of the pandemic. The support offered ranged from arranging urgent food parcels, collecting prescriptions, shopping for everyday essentials, dog walking, befriending and support with gardening. Many relationships were established between residents and volunteers that continued after the initial contact.

Following the relaxation of national COVID restrictions, over the 18-month period up to April 2022, we have engaged with residents of the Area to identify priorities and help deliver improvements in our neighbourhoods. We have sought to reflect the different character of each ward in balancing activity across the priorities, to ensure that each wards' needs are met. We have kept you informed about what we are doing through publishing Ward Plans, providing bi-monthly update reports to the Area Committee and regular communication through Ward Newsletters, Community notice boards, web page, twitter account and Facebook postings.

During 2021 – 2022, the Area priorities were:

#### Investing in infrastructure, housing, highways and the local environment

- Identify neighbourhood projects in the development of the city's 'Living with Water' approach to flood prevention
- Work with partners to ensure the design of the built environment discourages crime and the fear of crime
- Provide a network of high-quality open spaces and natural environments
- Support communities to set out and deliver the change they want to see in their neighbourhood

#### **Delivering sustained cultural and leisure growth**

- Support physical activity, sport participation and arts audience development in our neighbourhoods
- Delivery of the 'Active Travel Strategy' at the local level, supporting the cycling and walking culture within our neighbourhoods and reducing our impact on climate change

# Creating a healthy, safe and environmentally friendly city

- Work with Humberside Police and other partners to reduce crime and anti-social behaviour in our communities.
- Through the Common Tasking Framework, work with partners to tackle child exploitation, domestic violence, human trafficking and all forms of extremism
- Respond to road safety concerns raised by residents and partners
- Maintain street and area cleanliness exploring new and alternative approaches to improving the environment
- Support and promote the Council's Climate Change Agenda through consultation and engagement events
- Work together to create, sustain, and improve an environment that promotes physical and mental well-being across all settings economic, social and community issues

### Improve the health & welfare of our residents

- Embed a Community Asset Based Approach (Our People, Places and Communities) into health improvement activity and future models of delivery, working with people, their families and communities to build on the support and assets they already have around them to support community resilience
- Develop new ways of working in partnership with the Primary Care Networks to deliver differently in terms of health improvement, well-being and prevention to improve life chances for all by addressing health inequalities through 'a healthier place to live' strategy for Hull
- Support the delivery of campaigns to improve the health & well-being of residents
- Review past Service Level Agreements with all Council funded Community Centres through the implementation of a Community Use Agreement that promotes maximum usage of the asset for the benefit of the local community whilst supporting the delivery of the Council's Corporate Plan objectives
- Ensure Ward Budget projects demonstrate a positive impact on the targeted community, making neighbourhoods better places to live and work.

# Provide residents with a voice and influence in shaping their communities

- Continue to improve public participation in local democracy through area based working, resident and business consultation, access to public meetings and membership of the Youth Parliament (supporting Elected Members in carrying out their Area and Community Leadership roles)
- Explore options via the Youth Networks to provide young people with a voice and involvement in local decision making
- Support community cohesion & integration through the way we engage and provide services
- Work with our communities to develop and deliver social action projects in their neighbourhoods through the delivery of the Active Citizen learning programme

# Ensuring financial and social inclusion

- Identify local opportunities to provide face-to-face service locally through Outreach, locality and mobile working as well as supporting digital access in venues across the City.

Specific priorities for each ward were: -

### Kingswood Ward

- Improve and develop green and open spaces across the Ward including Foredyke Green, Chalky Path and Kingswood Parks School and Community Field.
- Investigation of highway and traffic schemes across the ward to improve pedestrian safety and signage.
- Continue to support Neighbourhood Networks, Residents, Community and Faith groups, local Sports Clubs and volunteers.
- Work in partnership to discourage crime and fear of crime at the Village green area, play parks and Kingswood Retail Park.
- Develop links with Schools and Health organisations.
- Increase resident involvement/engagement through Ward Forums, Patch Walks and Partner meetings.

# North Carr

- Increase resident involvement/engagement through community events.
- Environmental projects to enhance the ward and reduce litter/fly tips.
- Establish dialogue with residents living in the new parts of the ward.
- Support initiatives to reduce social isolation and promote community cohesion.
- Improvement of open green space across the ward.
- Work in partnership to respond to anti-social behaviour and criminal activity.

# West Carr

- Environmental schemes to enhance areas and reduce anti-social behaviour.
- Work in partnership to tackle fly-tipping issues.
- Support community groups/centres to help with sustainability.
- Investigation of highway and traffic schemes across the ward.
- Increase resident involvement/engagement through community events.
- Improvement of open green spaces across the ward e.g. Bude Park.

In addressing these priorities we have worked co-operatively with other Council services, Ward Councillors and a wide range of external partners, including statutory agencies such as Humberside Police, Humberside Fire and Rescue Service, National Health Service, Hull Neighbourhood Network, Schools and businesses & retailers such as Asda, Housing Development Companies, North Point Shopping Centre and Sports Clubs such as Kingswood United Football Club. Proactive partnership working continued with

voluntary groups such as Dalwood Network, St Andrews Community Centre, Alf Marshall Community Centre, Bodmin Road Church, Kingswood Residents Association, Kingswood Community Litter Group, Revive Church and C of E Church on Kingswood.

# This Annual Report summarises what we have achieved so far up to April 2022.

# **Roads, Highways and Pavements**

Links to Corporate Plan priorities (i) investing in Highways and the local environment and (ii) creating a healthy, safe and environmentally city

# What we achieved in Kingswood Ward

- Ward budget funded part one and two of the Highways Safety Project for School Lane and Richmond Lane with the installation of two speed signs, 'Children Crossing' signs and associated speed indicators. This project was in response to speeding issues and safety concerns from residents.
- Runnymede Avenue informal crossing was completed following requests for a safer crossing point and route to schools funded by the Ward budget.
- Recommendations for Traffic Regulation Orders (TRO) for signs and road markings to alleviate parking obstructions and address safety concerns were submitted to the Council's Highways Team for evaluation.
- Faded faded road markings were remarked following the allocation of Ward funding.
- Repair of road surfaces and footways across the ward following consultations with residents have taken place for several streets.
- Pedestrian and vehicle surveys were carried out at Kesteven Way to establish data for road safety projects.
- Education and enforcement projects were carried out for speeding and vehicle crime reductions by the Neighbourhood Policing Team and partners. A pro laser speed gun was funded by the Ward budget to assist with future Community Speed Watch projects.



Highway Safety Signage

What we achieved in North Carr Ward

- Following years of residents campaigning for action, the Pennine Way traffic calming scheme on North Bransholme was completed. This scheme includes a combination of speed bumps, new footpath infrastructure, street signage & road markings to help reduce speeding vehicles and improve pedestrian safety around the playground and skatepark.
- Metal fencing was installed around the grassed area near the junction with Wawne Road to prevent cars parking on the grassed areas and obstructing the junction following safety concerns raised by residents in Haydock Garth.
- Various line markings have been refreshed at several areas to help traffic flow and reduce parking tensions.
- Ward funding was agreed to install a new lighting column on Biggin Avenue directly outside the retail units following residents and retailers concerns over the darkness and youths causing ASB (anti-social behaviour) in the evening.
- A highways scheme was developed to reconstruct a kerb at the main entrance to the Castle Hall Assisted Living Complex on Haydock Garth. Ward funding was utilised to provide safer pedestrian access onto the footpath for the 80+ elderly residents of Castle Hall, many who have mobility issues.
- Following several garage demolition projects throughout the Ward, a number of parking areas have benefited from the painting of parking bays to maximise parking spaces for vehicles.
- Through patch walks and resident engagement, several damaged footpaths and potholes were reported and repaired across the ward.

What we achieved in West Carr Ward

- Ward budget has been used to design and re-line the pedestrian crossing point on Cheltenham Avenue at the Littondale junction.
- Ward budget has been used to resurface the footpaths around Grandale.
- Used Ward budget to fund drop kerbs on Wensleydale following resident request to improve disability access.
- Ward budget has been used to repaint a number of barriers and 'P' barriers throughout the Ward.
- Ward budget has been used to provide a PV<sup>2</sup> pedestrian/vehicular count on Littondale to guide any improvements that may be called for following residents raising potential issues.
- Ward budget has been used to survey and design a scheme to provide drop kerbs on Roborough Close following following resident reports of a lack of disability crossing points in the area.
- Developed and implemented schemes to improve road safety, parking issues and footpath improvements including a programme of resurfacing/repair and dropped kerbs across the ward.

# Community Safety Services – reducing levels of crime and anti-social behaviour

Links to Corporate Plan priorities (i) creating a healthy safe and environmentally city, (ii) improving health & welfare, and (iii) supporting children & families

### What we achieved in Kingswood Ward

- Lighting column upgrades were made in target areas.
- Ward budget funding was allocated to install permanent fencing at Blackwater Way due to ASB, crime concerns and damage to planting.
- Kingswood Retail Park saw a reduction in shop lifting following targeted action by Humberside Police.
- Following anti-social behaviour at the Village Green, play parks and also Chalky Path, increased Police action was taken resulting in a reduction of incidents. This included plain clothes patrols, work with young people and their parents/carers, the issuing of Acceptable Behaviour Contracts (ABC's) and partner promoted activities and support for young people
- Crime prevention equipment for victims of crime in the ward was funded by the Ward budget.
- Ward partners developed plans to address ASB at the Village Green area, support businesses and residents in the area.
- Worked with the Police and Hull Neighbourhood Network to introduce an app to improve security for the shops in the area to include Kingswood Retail Park.

What we achieved in North Carr Ward

- A regular series of Police led street surgeries were held across the ward focusing on areas of concern including Gatwick House, Biggin Avenue and Gypsy Moth Lane. Ward Members, local Policing Team, Neighbourhood Team and Neighbourhood Nuisance Team undertook direct engagement with local residents to identify concerns or issues affecting their community.
- The Neighborhood Team continued to work with local partners to tackle the crime and anti-social behaviour centered about the Biggin Avenue shops. A range of measures have been deployed including targeted outreach youth engagement, increased Police and parking patrols, refreshing road markings, new street lighting, re-positioning of CCTV cameras and frequent street surgeries to encourage engagement with shops and residents.

What we achieved in West Carr Ward

- Supported and attended regular street surgeries with Neighbourhood Policing Team and other partners to listen to West Carr residents issues. Ward budget provided community safety products for residents to use at home and on their person.
- Frequent patch walks have been undertaken to engage with residents and deal with any issues reported.
- Humberside Fire and Rescue fire dogs have been funded through Ward budget to attend all primary schools in the Ward to raise awareness of fire with young people.
- Used Ward budget to fund Neighbourhood Network to provide support to victims of crime. Through a referral system, any West Carr resident that has been a victim of crime will have access to advice and subsidised home security items.
- Ward budget has been used to remove a section of hedging on Bude Road that was causing vision issues at the Cheltenham junction and being a perennial location for fly tips.



Fire Dog Presentation to School Children

• Worked in partnership to resolve anti-social behaviour due to unwanted motorbike and vehicle access in residential areas.

#### What we achieved Insert Area wide

- Supported the Neighbourhood Policing Team to engage with residents and encourage sign up to 'My Community Alert'...
- Continued to hold regular Ward and Area tasking meetings with partners to develop further multi-agency responses to crime and anti-social behaviour.

# Parks and Open Spaces – increasing community activities and facilities

Links to Corporate Plan priorities (i) investing in infrastructure, housing, highways and the local environment, (ii) delivering sustained cultural & leisure growth, (iii) creating a healthy safe and environmentally city, and (iv) improving health & welfare.

# What we achieved in Kingswood Ward

- We continued to work towards the adoption of Chalky Path, the increasingly well used spinal path with Council Teams Legal, Ward Councillors, Foredyke Neighbourhood Team, Streetscene and Parks and Open Spaces. The path has now been adopted by the Council after several years of negotiations with the Developer.
- The development of Kingswood Parks Primary School and Community Field took place over two years including drainage work to enable pupils, residents and community groups to utilise the green space.
- Kingswood Residents Association were awarded Ward budget towards maintaining and repairing the green space at Foredyke Green and Wilberforce Wood including regular grass cutting and maintenance for footpaths.
- Regular meetings to develop a management agreement for joint use of Kingswood Parks Primary School and Community Field have taken place.
- Display and information boards at Foredyke Green have been refreshed and repaired following the award of Ward budget to improve the recreational area.
- Ward budget funding was awarded to Kingswood United Football Club towards the cost of a defibrillator and training unit to benefit all ages in the area.



Provision of a new play area

- Kingswood United Football Club grew quickly with the continued support of local volunteer residents. The Group is well established now with 21 teams for girls and boys and received support and Ward budget funding for equipment.
- Graffiti removal kits were given to resident groups in the ward to be used by volunteers in the area.

# What we achieved in North Carr Ward

- Kingswood United FC won the Health and Well-being category at the annual Neighbourhood Network awards. They secured a lease from the Council for use of the former Kinloss school site as their home ground and have ambitious plans to create an outstanding community football hub for the local community and currently have over 40 teams.
- The Paul Ingle Boxing Academy have successfully relocated to the former North Bransholme Community Centre and currently provide boxing and fitness session, Veteran coffee mornings, community café and have exciting plans to create a community hub driven by community needs.

- Kingswood Knights is a new amateur rugby league club formed in December 2020 with a membership of over 50 young people and have secured funding from the Bransholme Trust to purchase new equipment and help with training costs.
- Friends of Furness reopened their facilities and were awarded Ward budget funding to purchase new equipment and undertake environmental works.
- Multi-partner site meetings have been held at the Biggin Avenue Play Area. This play area has been identified to receive refurbishments funded through the Council's park's capital improvement scheme.
- North Carr Carers have provided direct support to over 700 elderly and vulnerable residents through their befriending scheme.

### What we achieved in West Carr Ward

- Development and promotion of Hartland Park through Ward budgets and the allocation of s.106 (Planning capital receipts) funds.
- Used Ward budget and s.106 income to invest in the play space on Minehead Road to provide a trim trail and renew existing play equipment and add additional pieces, along with landscape enhancements to improve the visual amenity of the area.
- Used Ward budget to fund tree planting to verges on Littondale that have been misused by vehicles leaving them rutted and unsightly and also Nidderdale to enhance the verge trees in the area.
- Ward budget has been used to plant trees to enhance a public open space on Roborough Close.
- Used Ward budget to fund two picnic benches to replace two that have been arson damaged.
- Ward budget has been used to enhance the community orchard on Minehead Road providing an additional 25 trees.
- The development of Bude Park as a sporting hub through external and s.106 funding sources continues.

# What we achieved Foredyke Area wide

• Led on the delivery of open space development projects using section 106 Planning receipts in partnership with the Council's Streetscene Services Team and Planning Team.

# Improving the Environment making it Cleaner and more Appealing

Links to Corporate Plan priorities (i) delivering sustained cultural & leisure growth, (iii) creating a healthy safe and environmentally city, and (iv) improving health & welfare.

# What we achieved in Kingswood Ward

- An unauthorised 'land grab' issue at Chevening Park was progressed.
- Education and subsequent enforcement patrols were carried out at Chalky Path regarding dog fouling and the dropping of litter.

- Repair of road surfaces and footways across the ward have been completed.
- Regular community litter picks took place at Foredyke Green and Chalky Path organised by Kingswood Residents Association with large amounts of litter and fly tips cleared.
- Graffiti removal kits were given to resident groups in the ward to be used by volunteers in the area.
- Kingswood Community Litter Group promoted the 'One Bag Big Difference' encouraging residents to join in the Great British Spring Clean Up.

# What we achieved in North Carr Ward

- A number of wooden bollards have been installed on a green space, adjacent to the roadside on Arncliffe Close, North Bransholme to prevent vehicular access. Commercial and delivery vehicles were regularly driving over the footpath and onto the greenspace, causing danger to pedestrians as well as damaging the grass area.
- Gatwick House Tenants and Resident's Association have secured funding via the Neighbourhood Team to further enhance the communal garden at their multi-story living complex. This includes repairing the pagoda and new fencing which will also aid security for residents.
- A group of residents in Swinderby Garth are planning to transform a large patch of grass into an attractive and colorful greenspace with a focus on protecting local wildlife. The Neighbourhood Team are providing support to access funding and specialist horticultural advice.
- The Conservation Volunteers undertook a tree planting scheme in March 2022 to create some woodland strips at the Noddle Hill Playing Fields. This is part of Hull City Council's commitment to the Northern Forest and planting in the Heywoods Community Forest area.
- Riverside Housing agreed to fund seven new trees as part of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations in partnership with URBaN. Each tree will represent a decade of the Queen's reign and will be planted in Ash Plantation to enhance this woodland and leave a lasting legacy.

# What we achieved in West Carr Ward

- Used Ward budget to support Dalwood Neighbourhood Network to maintain flower beds and keep the area litter picked.
- Supported litter picking individuals and groups in the Ward by linking to 'Love your Steet' and providing pickers and bags.
- Developed environmental schemes to enhance areas and reduce anti-social behaviour including fire risk and fly tipping through partnership working and supporting tenants and residents.
- Worked with partners to monitor empty buildings in the Ward and act when appropriate to respond to community safety concerns.
- Worked with community groups to facilitate litter picks of the area.
- Worked with Streetscene to ensure we have a clean, green environment.

- Ensured the Ward is sufficiently covered with litter bins.
- Encouraged local residents' groups to undertake small environmental projects in order to improve the visual amenity of the ward.

#### What we achieved Foredyke Area wide

- Worked with Streetscene Services to maximise opportunities with external partners such as Community Payback to address environmental issues ranging from litter picks to maintenance of green areas.
- Supported the Environmental Nuisance Team to gather intelligence from fly-tips and graffiti to ensure successful enforcement activity/legal action is taken against identified culprits.

# **Recycling, Rubbish and Waste Collection/disposal**

Links to Corporate Plan priorities (i) delivering sustained cultural & leisure growth, (iii) creating a healthy safe and environmentally city, and (iv) improving health & welfare.

# What we achieved in Kingswood Ward

- Funded the installation of new litter bins at key locations across the ward.
- Recycling Textile Banks were installed across the ward and emptying schedules increased for the highest usage banks.
- Two large water tanks have been given to Kingswood United Football Club for one of their venues, to collect excess rainwater from the roof of nearby buildings. This water can be used for watering local areas in need.
- Supported individual volunteer litter pickers during COVID-19 lockdowns who wanted to clear up their neighbourhoods on daily walks.
- Supported the development and expansion of the Kingswood Community Litter Group with their regular litter picks with volunteers of all ages.
- Regular community litter picks took place at Foredyke Green and Chalky Path organised by Kingswood Residents Association.

What we achieved in North Carr Ward

- Local litter picking groups; North Bransholme Eco Warriors and Bransholme Litter Kids comprising local parents and children undertook regular litter picking events with the aim of raising environmental awareness.
- A number of new litter bins have been installed at locations across the ward, some of which have been funded through local businesses.
- We have supported individual volunteer litter pickers by providing tools and on-going assistance.

What we achieved in West Ward

- Address fly-tipping/waste management issues across the Ward, developing projects to tackle the problems, working with other Council Service Areas, external partners and volunteers.
- Worked with the Council's Environmental Crime Officers on environmental inspections to combat problems in neighbourhoods in terms of graffiti, detritus, contaminated bins and litter.
- Used Ward budget to provide additional bins on Bude Park due to the increased use the park is now receiving.
- Using Ward budget, funded a further bin on Cleeve Drive on the school route following resident requests.

# Improving Community Engagement, Involvement and Cohesion

Links to Corporate Plan priorities (i) investing in infrastructure, housing, highways and the local environment, (ii) creating a healthy safe and environmentally city, (iii) improving health & welfare, (iv) ensuring financial & social inclusion, (v) working with people & communities to live independent & safe lives, (vi) improving access through digitally enabled services, and (vii) developing new ways of working in partnership.

# What we achieved in Kingswood Ward

- Support was given towards ward events and projects organised by residents and community groups including Kingswood Residents Association.
- Ward Partner meetings took place monthly with key partners to update on their work in the community, actions taken forward in response to priorities, community engagement and ward budget funding.
- Duke of Edinburgh funding from the Ward Budget was awarded to the Neighbourhood Policing Team and Kingswood Academy for the benefit of local young people. Thirty young people began the course in November 2021 and the equipment will be used for future groups over the next few years.
- Kingswood's most vulnerable residents were supported during the pandemic.
- Maintained links with the Asda Community Champion and local charities recognising the impact of COVID-19 on activities and support for residents.
- New Neighbourhood Watch Group set up at Bounty Drive.



Duke of Edinburgh Participants

- Virtual ward meetings took place from April 2020 for residents during COVID-19 restrictions.
- Supported the development and expansion of the Kingswood Community Litter Group with their regular litter picks with volunteers of all ages.
- Outdoor public Ward forums regularly took place at the Village Green giving residents the opportunity to raise matters with their Ward Councillors, Neighbourhood Policing Team, Neighbourhood Co-ordinator and Neighbourhood Nuisance Officer.
- Evening Street Surgeries focused on resident's priorities in their streets at multiple locations across the whole Ward to discuss and resolve issues.
- Ward Newsletters were delivered to households updating residents on events, community safety issues and ways to engage.
- Regular ward patch walks across the ward have taken place with Neighbourhood Policing Team, Neighbourhood Co-ordinator, Neighbourhood Nuisance Officer and Ward Councillors to identify and resolve issues.
- Kingswood Residents Association meetings took place to address key issues in the Ward and new Committee Members joined in 2021. Ongoing support given by Ward Councillors and Foredyke Neighbourhood Team.
- Kingswood United Football Club with SG Pathway Academy are creating opportunities for young footballers to experience academy training sessions and compete against other academies across the region.
- Kingswood Community Litter Group promoted the 'One Bag Big Difference' encouraging residents to join in the Great British Spring Clean Up campaign.

#### What we achieved in North Carr Ward

- Ward Budget funding was awarded to URBaN to deliver a wide range of free community events for local residents summarised below:
  - 2 free community beach day events at North Bransholme and the Garths. Over 4000 local residents enjoyed a fun packed day with 40 tonnes of sand delivered to form a beach, children's picnic hamper, climbing wall, Zorbs, live entertainment, face painting, fairground rides and several stalls.
  - Firework Display Over 3,000 people attended the free spectacular firework display at The Paul Ingle Boxing Academy which also had fairground rides and stalls.
  - Santa on a decorated sleigh, accompanied by Elves, music and a snow machine, delivering over 2,500 selection boxes to 5 local Primary Schools on 8<sup>th</sup> December 2021, followed by a parade of festively decorated vehicles driving around the North Carr Ward in the evening.
  - A Christmas fair in the evening of 8<sup>th</sup> December 2021 at The Pennine with free fairground rides, face painting and arts/craft stalls.

- Pop Up foodbank at the Garths former Housing Officer and the North Bransholme Community Centre to support local families also funded by the Healthy Holidays fund.
- Christmas Activities for the Elderly 160 food hampers were delivered to elderly and vulnerable residents in North Bransholme and the sheltered bungalows on the Garths and a trip to the Hornsea Garden Centre with a Christmas meal was organised for 30 elderly residents.
- North Bransholme Christmas lights competition sponsored and judged by KeepMoat.
- A Memorial Service took place in November to commemorative fallen Members of the Armed Forces in past and recent conflicts. This took place at the memorial site on Grampian Way with the laying of a wreath by the Lord Mayor.
- A community event was organised to celebrate International Women's Day on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2022.
- A series of street surgeries were held during July and August at the Grampian Way shops, Pioneer Way shops and Biggin Avenue shops. Ward Members accompanied representatives from the local Policing Team, Foredyke Neighbourhood Team and Neighbourhood Nuisance Team to provide direct engagement with local residents and identify any concerns or issues affecting their community.



Memorial Event – November 2021

- The Lord Mayor awarded URBaN volunteers with the Community Champion awards to recognise their support to vulnerable residents at the pop-up and mobile foodbanks during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- St Johns Church volunteers continued to provide a weekly food bank for local residents and have launched a community shop which provides fresh produce to complement the foodbank. Residents are invited in for a hot drink and support agencies and partners are often available for advice. Ward budget funding was awarded for new refrigeration equipment and a community noticeboard. The Lord Mayor awarded 12 volunteers the Lord Mayor's Award for their dedication to supporting the most vulnerable residents.
- A new "Friends of Biggin" group has formed which is an open community of parents, grandparents, carers, friends and neighbours in the Biggin Avenue area. They plan to work alongside Biggin Hill Primary School to benefit and ensure the best experience for all its students. The group are planning a number of fundraising and community events to help fund weekly day trips for children during the summer holidays.

#### What we achieved in West Carr Ward

• Continued to engage with residents and those that work in West Carr Ward to identify areas of concern.

- 479 Council priorities across a large part of the Ward have been refurbished to improve insulation with internal and external improvements. During the refurbishment, there had been 2 days of multi-agency events to promote safety and awareness working with the main contractor Fortem.
- Used Ward budget to allow Neighbourhood Network to deliver an event at Bransholme Methodist Church designed to improve safety awareness and allow the residents of West Carr to have a fun day.
- Worked with Kingswood United to allow the club to flourish and maintain its presence on Bude Park.
- Worked with the local community and public health to add 'Talking Tables' venues into the ward providing places to prevent isolation within the community.
- Ward budget has been used to pump prime an ambitious project to re-vamp St Johns Church to provide a modern community venue and foodbank.
- Ward budget has been used to fund a defib unit for Kingswood United football club and a second was funded for St Andrews Community Centre.
- Ward budget has been used to fund a support program at Bodmin Church for the benefit of West Carr residents and wider.
- Ward budget has been used to help establish a toddler group located at Bransholme Methodist Church.
- Provide funding through Ward budget to allow the Police to run a Duke of Edinburgh award scheme for the young people of the Foredyke Area.
- Ward budget has been used to fund new doors for Bransholme Methodist Church to improve the appearance and support the church going forward.
- Used Ward budget to Bodmin Road Church to develop a mural with the local school.
- Support and sustain community groups through improved communication, events and Ward and external funding applications. Priority Groups to include Dalwood Network and Bodmin Road Church.
- Encouraged people to come together and form community groups and get more involved with the area they live in and initiate projects to improve their environment and lives.
- Promoted the West Carr Ward Budget to enable local community groups to apply for a grant.
- Continued to support the Alf Marshall Community Centre & St Andrews Community Centre to promote and develop their activities and to promote and support new resident groups.



West Carr Forum on the Move Event

- Supported local events and activities that give neighbourhoods the opportunity to get together to share their ideas and develop positive relationships within their community
- Supported local schools to develop new initiatives benefiting the wider community.

# What we achieved Foredyke Area wide

- Work with ReNew to promote their drug and alcohol awareness program and online resource.
- Financially supported a Duke of Edinburgh Award at Kingswood Academy
- The Bransholme Trust awarded over £11,000 to Bransholme projects.
- Used a variety of ways to communicate to residents through Newsletters, Facebook, Twitter and the Kings Carr's Neighbourhood Team webpage.

# Ward Budgets

We manage Ward budgets that have been specifically established to enable Area Committees to support local projects for the benefit of their local communities. Each ward is allocated a capital and revenue sum to support projects that benefit local communities. The budget allocated to each Ward for 2021-22 is shown below.

Ward	Revenue Budget	Capital Budget
Kingswood War	£ 4,867	£ 25,215
North Carr	£62,650	£5,184
West Carr	£ 8,972	£ 52,406

Ward budget criteria and application forms are available to download from the Neighbourhood Team's webpage - <u>www.hull.gov.uk/neighbourhoodteam</u>. Applications for funding are invited from external public, voluntary or community bodies and not for profit social enterprises provided they meet the relevant criteria. Applications that respond to Ward priorities are particularly welcomed.

The following table provides a combined summary of revenue and capital project activity by Ward during 2021-22.

Category of Project	Kingswood Ward (£)	North Carr Ward (£)	West Carr Ward (£)	AREA TOTAL (£)
Verge Dretection (bellerde beuldere planting)		(~)		
Verge Protection (bollards, boulders, planting)			12,110	12,110
Highway Improvements – roads/pavements	5,966	8,457	2,627	17,050
Community Events		33,241	3,043	36,284
Parks (play provision, enhancement of open spaces)	16,049		13,518	29,567
Environmental Improvement Schemes – inc. additional litter-	900	4,625	8,559	14,084
bins, community growing areas				
Supporting Community Groups	5,585	9,759	18,343	33,687
Community Safety	1,545		3,217	4,762
Contributions towards Food Banks/Pantries		10,800		10,800
Organised Youth Activities		950		950

Area total spends are reflected in the following pie chart:



# Area Committee Activity

We aim to bring about faster decision making, greater openness, better quality services and greater public participation in local government through the Area Committee. Each committee meets bi-monthly except in August.

You can get involved in local decision making by taking part in area committee meetings and ward and neighbourhood forums - details available through your Neighbourhood Team web page (<u>www.hull.gov.uk/neighbourhoodteam</u>) under the 'How to get involved in your area' section.

The committees, led by the area's ward councillors, are responsible for making decisions on all items that can be delegated from the Guildhall. All of these meetings are open to the public.

Smaller ward, neighbourhood forums have also been set up to enable issues to be discussed at grass roots level. These allow people to have a say on issues affecting their neighbourhoods, not just council services. Matters raised can then be referred to the area committee for action.

Each area committee is supported by a dedicated Neighbourhood Team that is responsible for developing networks with local groups, including forums.

Although the ward councillors have the ultimate responsibility for decision making, they rely on residents for information to reflect public opinion. As more people become involved in forums and area committees, the decisions made will truly become community decisions.

In addition to addressing neighbourhood priorities, the Area Committee has focussed on:

#### Improving the quality of local services by:

- Reviewing street cleaning and grounds maintenance schedules to maximise efficiency and effectiveness.
- Monitoring the delivery of priority highway and traffic schemes.
- Co-ordinating the area's response to unauthorised encampments.
- Promoting the development of community allotments.
- Encouraging investment in parks and open spaces.
- Contributing to the Physical Activities Strategy 'Towards an Active Hull'.

### Helping residents to make their money go further by:

- Promoting the establishment of new community allotments to encourage people to grow their own food.
- Helping to maintain the vitality of the main shopping streets by supporting Traders' events which provide information to local businesses.

# Safeguarding our most vulnerable residents by:

- Seeking to ensure that local facilities are retained in the area and available when residents want to access them.
- Identifying and promoting support available from local voluntary and community organisations.
- Reviewing health needs and promoting healthy lifestyles.
- Challenging inappropriate planning or licensing applications.

# Conclusion

This Annual Report highlights the wide range of activity undertaken in the Foredyke Area to the benefit of local residents and communities. This work will continue in 2022-23 and we will be aiming to build on our successes and make an even better place to live and work.

Please look out for future events and engagement opportunities where you can find out more about our plans and how you can help achieve them.

# Your Foredyke Area Team

The Foredyke Neighbourhood Team, 26 Goodhart Road, Hull, HU7 4EE - telephone 300300. With the relaxation of national COVID restrictions, it is hoped meetings of the Foredyke Area Committee take place at venues in the Area. Meeting details, including agendas and minutes of all meetings are available to view through the Council's web site.

#### Foredyke Area Committee Membership -

Councillor Bisbey	(Kingswood Ward)
Councillor Quinn	(Kingswood Ward)

Councillor Harrison(North Carr)Councillor Loft(North Carr)Councillor Webster(North Carr)

Councillor Pritchard (West Carr Ward) Councillor Randall (Mrs)(West Carr Ward) Councillor Randall (Mr) (West Carr Ward)

#### Foredyke Area Team Members

Alastair Shaw – Community Manager – Neighbourhoods (East & North Localities) Caroline Barnes – Neighbourhood Co-ordinator (Kingswood Ward) Chris Craven - Neighbourhood Co-ordinator (West Carr Ward) Joanne Nielsen– Neighbourhood Co-ordinator (North Carr Ward) Kirsty Wiles – Service Support Officer

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