

Greater Fishponds Neighbourhood Partnership

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Report of: Subgroup Champions, Neighbourhood Partnership Co-ordinator.

Title: Greater Fishponds NP Achievement's Report

Recommendation:

NP members to note progress made, discuss and agree the NP Achievements for 2015/16.

Priority (what we want)	Activity/project detail	Funds Spent	Output/Outcome Update
1- Environm	ent		
Priority 1: The NP area is clean, tidy and well maintained:	Activity 1: Drugs & Sex litter: Monitor and proactively clear daily/weekly, in hotspot locations.	£1,358.60	East Park Estate: Mayoral visit was organised in order to raise awareness about the plight the community faced in dealing with sex and drug litter. Using Green Capital Grant an allygate was installed in March 2016. It is hoped this would deter prostitution activities from this location. Cost: £1,358.60 Current Status: Works completed

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	Activity 4 Increase safety of pavements and shared spaces: Organise two cycling surgeries in areas with conflicts to promote responsible cycling.	£34,856.38	Cycling Surgery: November 2015 a cycle surgery was held at the railway path in order to promote safe cycling in shared spaces. Over 70 cyclist and other path users were engaged. Cost: Officer time Current Status: Project initiated. Stoke Park M32 underpass The NP used £1,300 of the Bristol Green Capital grant to fund a scheme designed to reduce speeding cyclist coming down the hill and into the M32 underpass. Remaining £3,800.49 was paid by BCC Parks Department. Cost: £5,100.49 Current Status: completed. Discover East Bristol Map: A joint project between the St George and Greater Fishponds NPs was funded using the Green Capital Fund. Greater Fishponds contributed £8,700. The project aimed at promoting the wealth of green spaces, wildlife and leisure facilities available in East Bristol and entailed improvements to pathways, walkways, signage, community noticeboards and much more. Cost: £29,755.89 Current Status: completed.

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	Activity 5: improve the quality of street scene: Aesthetically with flower baskets and meadows in key locations.	£9,955.60	Environment Improvements: Following environment enhancements were delivered during 2015/16. Planters: winter and summer planters were delivered at key local business districts, including Lodgecause Way, Lower Eastville and Fishponds retail district. Including support for HEFs in Bloom and Community Payback. Cost: £5,755.60 Current Status: On going annual improvements. Brightening Fishponds: Project to brighten up former Bristol Tiles site on Fishponds Rd received art decorations and planters to enhance the site. Cost: £300 Current Status: Completed. Stonebridge Park: Using combination of Environmental Budget (£1,479) and the Green Capital Grant (£2,421). The NP supported resident led, innovative DIY street environmental enhancement project to redress speeding traffic and install traffic calming measures along Stonebridge Park. Cost: £3,900 Current Status: Completed.

Activity 8 & 9: Reduce on street litter by empowering local residents take control and organise community clean ups. Litter Picking: Neighbourhood Officer provided supported to residents from Freemantle Rd, Brook Rd and East Park Estate to organise litter picking events. As a result of this, residents from Freemantle Rd managed to develop a good relationship with the owner of neglected



piece of land at the corner of Freemantle Rd and Stapleton Rd. Subsequently the Land owner funded Community Noticeboard and 2 benches. There is no doubt the success of Freemantle Rd Resident Association (FRRA) led to a huge improvement in the area.

Cost: Approximately £In kind Current Status: On going.

<u>Flytipping:</u> During 2015/16 saw number of targeted campaign, which involved education and enforcement. Hot spot areas, Lower Eastville area and Grove Rd were targeted.

Lower Eastville area is considered to be an area with complex multifaceted issues some of which include prolific flytipping, irresponsible landlords, overcrowded houses, to mention a few. As part of this targeted operation waste management advice & Flytipping reporting cards were delivered to all the properties, 24 properties were identified and received follow-up visits by enforcement officer. Warnings were issued with one property receiving a Community Protection Notice. Similarly flats above businesses at the junction of Grove Rd and Fishponds Rd received educational material about waste management.

All the businesses along Fishponds district were visited and most had satisfactory waste disposal service in place. Section 47 Notices were given to Fishponds Pizza and Grill, International Stores and Nazar Restaurant, in relation to how they stored their waste.

£N/A



	Activity 10: Reduce Litter and Flytipping: Twice a year engage with UWE Students.	N/A	<u>Waste Doctor:</u> During Last year autumn, campaign to provide information about Bristol City Council Waste Management to UWE students was delivered.
	Activity 12: Maintain and improve neglected junction 2 roundabout fence. Painting the railings.	N/A	Painting Roundabout Railing: This was completed October 2015 as part of Highways maintenance budget. Cost: N/A Current Status: Completed
Priority 3: The NP area has quality parks and play areas accessible to all.	Activity 1 Install new play facility in East Park Estate.	£80,000	East Park Children Play: 2015/16 saw the delivery of long awaited and desperately needed children play facility. The NP allocated £70,000, local residents managed to fundraise additional £5,000 from John James Trust and Ashley, Easton and Lawrence NP contributed £5,000. Cost: £80,000 Current Status: Completed.

Activity 3: Install litter bin at the Gozzie.

£2,50

Dog bins: The Gozzie (Coombe Brook Valley) received two bins. The NP paid £2,500 for a dog bin, which was installed at the entrance from Moorlands Rd at the top of the footpath in accessible location. Parks supplied another general waste bin on the other access from the Ridgeway Playing Fields.

Following similar request, Parks also supplied a dog waste bin at the PRoW from Redhill Drive in to Eastville Park.

Cost: £2,500

Current Status: Completed.



Wild Meadows: Building on previous year's success, many new sites were considered including Argyle Rd Playing Fields, Hillfields Rec and Ridgeway Playing fields. Selected suitable sites include Gill Avenue, Frenchay Park Rd and Begbrook Park. Cost: £829.40 **Current Status: On** going. **Activity 1** Improve Wildlife Corridor: Finally **Priority 3:** habitats by supporting £829.40 the Environment Improve local the establishment of Subgroup began habitats for wild meadows in discussions with Avon wildlife agreed locations. Wildlife Trust to develop a Wildlife corridor for all the parks & Green Spaces in the NP area.

roundabout.

Draft design was

Current Status: Initiated.

produced for Junction 2

	Activity 3 & 4 Improve habitats by securing funding to deliver tree plans and deliver planting schemes.	£8,484.90	Tree Plans and Plants: 2015/16 saw number of tree planting projects. The NP worked very closely with the One Tree Per Child programme and where suitable provided added value. Locations benefiting from this project include Meadowsweet and Pendock Rd community orchard. East Park Memorial Garden: As part of the Workhouse Memorial Group, the NP funded two years maintenance for 6 fruit trees planted in the East Park Memorial Garden. Cost: £1,599.90 Current Status: On going. Street stump replacement: University of Bristol kindly offered to pay for up to ten street tree stump replacement for the Greater Fishponds NP area. Following site inspections nine suitable locations were identified and delivered. Some of the areas benefiting from this include Fishponds Rd, North end of Guinea Lane, East and end of Lawn Rd. Cost: approximately £6,885 Current Status: Completed.
2- Traffic &	Transport		
Priority 1: Pedestrian Safety	Project 3 - 6	£82,125.09	Traffic Management Improvements: 2015/16 saw the completion of the following schemes Whitefield Av & Duncombe Lane/Popular Rd and Speedwell Rd Island. In addition to these schemes changes to highways infrastructure necessitated by the development along Roegate House, Whitefield Avenue has also been delivered. These improvements were paid from S106. Cost: approximately £82,125.09 (waiting for final figures) Current Status: Completed, with the exception of couple of trees planting.

3- Families, y	young & Older People		
Priority 1: Improve facilities and develop more activities for the whole community in the NP	Activity 1: Produce A to Z community activities including fun days, luncheon clubs, and community based projects.	£N/A	Bristol Aging Better (BABs) appointed 3 teams, each has 4 people who are community researchers. They are tasked with asset mapping Greater Fishponds NP area. They are focussing on activities for elderly community members. The NPC made an arrangement to share their findings with the NP. Cost: TBC Current Status: Completed.
	Activity 2: Help community groups seeking funding for community activities including fun days, luncheon clubs, and community based projects.	£10,480	The NP team provide general advice about Wellbeing Grant and signposting queries. Denis Wise DW made contact with the Lunch Club at Hillfields Baptist Church and offered to meet them to look at possible sources of funding. No other funding support was requested during this period. Supported Activate, HCT, Community 999 in Hillfields, BMCS Islamic fair, Streets alive to name some. Cost: £10,480 Current Status: Completed.
area.	Activity 3: Developing mechanism for young people to engage with NP – including developing Youth forums.	£N/A	Young People Engagement: With the help of Grove Rd Youth Club, CYN and Hillfields NF, the NP managed to recruit young people reps. It is hoped they will help develop suitable meaningful structure to engage with young people. Cost: N/A Current Status: Initiated.

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	Activity 5: Develop		Activities for Young People: Doorstep Sports offered volunteer coaching
	more activities for		opportunities and training to local people. This was sponsored by Sovereign
	young people in the		Housing and offered weekly sports sessions on Monday evening at Barton Hill
	neighbourhood,		RFC on Duncombe Lane targeting young people in Speedwell and Hillfields. The
	including, Sport		first Youth Activity / Provision Fair were held at Bristol Brunel Academy on 17th
	Couching, Street games,		January 2015. Creative Youth Network also offered Open Access nights at the
	etc.		Kingswood Centre on Britannia Road.
			The NP also supported Lighthouse Direction to provide and organise football
			activities for young people.
Priority 1: NP			Cost: £1,880
will support activities for		£6,800	Current Status: Completed.
all sections		,80	
of the		0	Activities for Elderly Community: The NP supported projects supporting elderly
community.			community members, including Begbrook Retirement Club (£1,370), Stapleton
			Luncheon Club £250.
			Cost: £1,620
			Current Status: on going.
			Activities for All: Other local community groups supported from Wellbeing
			Grant to organise activities for all sections of the community include Hillfields
			Community Trust (£1,000), Barton Field Trust (£700), BMCS (£1,000), Brook Rd &
			Tyndale Avenue (£600)
			Cost: £3,300
			Current Status: Part complete.

	Activity 6: Promote and improve access to youth activities.	£5,806.45	Improve access to youth activities: Continued to support Grove Rd Youth Club. The result is the group were able to provide more equipment and activities for club members. Provided the group £1,706.45 Provided support to Hillfields Haween Group, so the group could gain access to safe environment where their children could gain access activities, supported the group with £4,100. Cost: Approximately £5,806.45 Current Status: Completed
4- Communi	ty Development & Cohesio	on:	
Priority 1: Supporting community/vol untary groups in the NP area.	Activity 2: Support and empower local residents to set up Friends of Parks for all the Parks and Open spaces. Advising about policies and constitution matters. Target Begbrook and Ridgeway.	£19,500	Supporting Park Group: The Nature Conservation Officer supported a new group for the Coombe Brook Nature reserve, locally known as the Gozzy. This backs on to Ridgeway Playing Fields. The group is currently focusing on the Nature reserve, it is hoped following their success either another group would emerge for the Ridgeway Playing Fields or they will expand into it the Ridgeway. NO also supported the development of newly formed Friends of Fishponds Park Group. The group benefited NP S106 funding amounting to £19,500 to improve the park, the Parks department also indicated matching with further funding. The group are currently consulting with local residents. Cost: £19,500 Current Status: On going

Priority 2: Strong VCS organisations delivering quality projects in the area.	Activity 3: Support and empower local residents wanting to make their neighbourhoods a better place. Targeted locations include:- Meadowsweet/Trendle wood, M32 Skaters, Lower Fishponds Rd.	£31,373	Lower Eastville (This is the area of Fishponds Rd, Muller Rd and Stapleton Rd): Local councillor and residents started Tidy-up Eastville Group Key problems the group is seeking addressed are fly tipping and other local issues. The NO is supporting the group by providing updates and information from other council departments and litter picking equipment. A Problem Solving Plan has been started by the NPC, which will be progressed. East Park Resident Association received support from Community Development. The group are organising an event to celebrate the new Play Facility. Another local residents led group called 'Eastville Workhouse Memorial Group' organised memorial stone unveiling ceremony, which was held on 16th November 2015 at 11 O'clock. Over a hundred residents including children from May Park school and council officers attended the event. Images from the ceremony have been uploaded on to East Park Residents Association Facebook page. The group received £535. Other local community project, which was supported from the Wellbeing Grant is the Ways to Wellbeing Project which received £4,000 from the NP and match funded by the Care Forum for the amount of £26,838. Cost: £31,373 Current Status: Ongoing
Priority 2:	Activity 2: Target		Increased Social Media presence: The NP team increased their reach by using
Build	underrepresented		Social media to engage with the wider community members. Particularly those
community resilience and	community members and develop suitable	£N/A	who have not accessed the neighbourhood Partnership in the past.
enable community to	mechanism, which will enable them to have an		Cost: N/A Current Status: Ongoing

engage effectively with local democracy and build social capital. 5- Communication	input into the NP activities.		
Priority 1: Providing development support and opportunities for Community/vo luntary organisations running community centres and help them to apply CAT in the NP area.	Activity 1: Help develop the capacity of Bristol 5 management board in order to bring the Harry Crook Community Centre back into community use.	£N/A	Phil Hanby spear headed brining the Harry Cook back into community use. The NP supported his efforts by reducing risk exposed to both the residents and Young Bristol who were the leaseholders. BCC identified gap in provision for preschool and Early Years provision. December 2015 lease was awarded to Happy Dayz, who will provide this provision and has made commitment to continue community use when they are not using the centre. Cost: N/A Current Status: Ongoing
	Activity 3: Provide advice and support to HYMG in order to successfully run the Hillfields Community Centre.	£N/A	Hillfields Community Hub: Community Development Team arranged a number of meetings between HYMG and representatives from Property Services to facilitate an understanding and dialogue in order to progress mutually acceptable agreement on the future management of the building. The result is the group have proceeded to submit an expression of interest for

6- Employme	ent, Training and Economi	c Developm	CAT and is currently in negotiations with BCC for a long-term lease and putting a management plan to retain former Youth Centre as a local Community Hub. The NP along with BCC Property Services and Early Help Team supported Hillfields Young Mothers Group through the CAT process. As a result HYMG set a good foundation to bring about sustainable Community Hub in Hillfields area. Cost: N/A Current Status: Ongoing
Priority 1 Engage local businesses to take part in the HEFs in Bloom.	Activity 1: Support/encourage use of local retail centres and businesses to support local high streets.	£6,523.69	Christmas Lighting Project: From the Wellbeing Grant the NP supported Fishponds Business Forum £1,700 to organise for the first time in recent years Christmas lights along the Fishponds Business District. Cost: £6,523.69 Current Status: Completed.