

Appendix 4: Sprotbrough and Cusworth Parish Council – Action Plan 2024/25 review – November 2024

PEOPLE			
	Action	Work to date	Action met
1.	<p><u>Community Grants</u> We will award up to £4000 of community grant funding to local groups and charitable organisations for the period 2024/25.</p>	<p>We have received and approved applications to the Sprotbrough Music Society, Sprotbrough Art Group, Don Gorge Community Group, Sprotbrough Library, Ridgeway School of Dance, Sprotbrough Crusaders and Sprotbrough Christmas Lights to support their activities.</p>	
PLACE			
2.	<p><u>Goldsmith Centre and recreation area</u> We will assess the current building and wider site to look at opportunities to redevelop/ refurbish the community centre/ play area to see how it can be better utilised and meet the needs of local residents, businesses and existing users of the site.</p>	<p>A site adjacent to the PC site at New Lane, Sprotbrough has been allocated for development of 90 dwellings in the Local Plan. As part of this application s106 monies will be secured for off site open space improvements. The new play area at the Goldsmith Centre will be considered as part of this. The planning application was approved by Doncaster Council's planning committee on July 25th 2023. Following public consultation in December 2023 we are working with play area companies regarding options for the site and costs.</p>	

3.	<p><u>New Lane recreational area</u> We will look to replace the wooden structures on the site that are coming to the end of their lifespan to ensure the site is maintained for the future. Additional improvements will also be sought to improve the activities on the site,</p>	<p>As above – we are working with play area companies regarding options for replacing the wooden structures on the site. Quotes/ designs were discussed by the Parish Council in July 2024. We are awaiting the funding to be available through the s106 from the development at New Lane to progress matters.</p>	
4.	<p><u>Goldsmith Centre community group</u> We will support the creation and activities of a community group to support the Goldsmith Centre.</p>	<p>We are currently looking at the constitution of the group and representatives.</p>	
5.	<p><u>Public Realm</u></p> <p><u>Litter picking</u> We will procure and provide litter picking equipment for local groups and residents to use to assist in improvement to the public realm within the Parish.</p> <p>We will hold regular litter picking sessions during the year.</p>	<p>Litter picking equipment is available for residents/ local groups to use.</p> <p>Litter pick took place on for Earth Day on 22nd April 2024 and then monthly afterwards to target key problem areas in the parish.</p>	

6.	<p><u>Tree Planting/ wildflower areas</u> We will continue to grow and plant trees/bulbs on suitable parts of our sites at Anchorage Lane, New Lane and Goldsmith Centre and manage the tree coverage at Newlands Park to support our climate change objectives and increase the biodiversity on the sites and support local wildlife and flora/fauna.</p>	<p>Tree planting is on-going on all our sites throughout the year. An area at Anchorage Park has been cleared this month to enable more trees to be planted in this area. Eleven fruit trees have been planted within the Goldsmith Centre compound in July 2024.</p> <p>Tree management at Newlands Park is ongoing.</p>	
7.	<p><u>Climate Change</u> The Parish Council has declared a climate change emergency and the creation of a Climate Change working group to identify measures that we can implement within the parish to help mitigate the impacts of Climate Change in line with the adopted Action Plan.</p>	<p>Eco Fest took place on 1st June 2024. The working group met in August to discuss future projects and activities. Subsidised composters will be available for residents to purchase from November 2024.</p>	
8	<p><u>New bins at Newlands Park/ Anchorage Park</u> Replace broken litter/ dog waste bins at Newlands Park/ Anchorage Park</p>	<p>These have been installed in July 2024.</p>	
9	<p><u>Anchorage Park</u> We will clear the path that runs along Swaithe Dyke from Anchorage Lane to Northfield Road.</p>	<p>Work has started on this and will be ongoing through the spring/ summer. The brambles/ bind weed have been cut back and the area is being cleared of rubbish.</p>	

10	<u>Anchorage Pavillion</u> We will repaint the inside of Anchorage Pavilion	The work has been completed in May 2024	
11	<u>Anchorage Park</u> We will look to create a community orchard on the site and expand the rewilded areas close to the orchard.	We have been successful in a grant bid from Community Wealth Builder to facilitate this project which will include a community orchard, bench, wild flower planting and bird box/ bug houses/ nature trail. The bulb planting has started with the picnic table and bird boxes/ bug houses to be installed before the end of 2024. The fruit trees will be planted in Jan/ Feb 2025.	
PROVISION			
12.	<u>Easter/ Halloween Pantomime</u> We will hold an Easter and Halloween Pantomime for local residents.	The Halloween Panto took place on 21 st October 2024. The Easter Pantomime is booked for 5 th April 2025.	
13.	<u>Climate 'Eco Fest'</u> We will hold an Eco Festival at the Goldsmith Centre to bring together local groups and organisations to provide practical information to residents on all thing's climate change related. This will include demonstrations, information, fun children's activities and short talks.	Eco fest took place on 1 st June 2024. Over 20 groups and organisations took part in the event which was again sponsored by Lush Handmade Cosmetics.	

14.	<u>Summer Festival</u> We will host a 'free to enter' summer festival at the Goldsmith Centre in support of the Parish Council's chosen charity for 2024-25.	Summer Festival took place on 10 th August 2024	
15.	<u>Remembrance poppies</u> We will coordinate donations from local residents/ businesses/ organisations to buy 'lamp post' poppies to be hung on lampposts within the Parish to support the Royal British Legion.	Following the success of last year's poppy campaign we have run it again to enable more poppies to be installed. The installation was put in on 31 st October 2024.	
16.	<u>Christmas lights switch on</u> We will work with the resident organisers to support the Christmas tree lighting event in Sprotbrough Village.	Event scheduled for 30 th November 2024	
17.	<u>Christmas Festival</u> We will organise a two-day Christmas Festival at the Goldsmith Centre to include an artificial ice-skating rink and Santa's grotto.	The event will take place on 8 th December and will be in conjunction with our chosen charity for 2024-25 Aurora Wellbeing Services.	
18.	<u>Grounds Maintenance</u> We will change our grounds maintenance contract from April 2024 on all our sites to reduce costs and improve standards.	The new grounds maintenance contract started on 1 st April 2024 with Willow Land Management.	

19.	<u>Community Cinema</u> We will provide a community cinema from the Goldsmith Centre for the local community.	We have submitted a grant application to The National Lottery for funding for this project. A decision is due around October 2024.	
20.	<u>Local Council Award Scheme</u> We will apply for the 'Quality' level of the award scheme to follow being awarded the foundation level in January 2024.	Following the successful Foundation Award in January 2024 we have been awarded the Quality level of the award in August 2024.	