

PUTTING COMMUNITIES AT THE **HEART** OF EVERYTHING WE DO

Keppel

Ward Plan

2019/20



1 Introduction

Your Keppel Ward

Providing vibrant, connected and safe neighbourhoods is a priority for Rotherham Council and communities are at the heart of everything we do.

We were elected as your Keppel Ward Councillors to listen to your views and work with you to make a difference in the local community. We know many of our residents are passionate about making their community a better place to live and we are here to work in partnership and make these improvements a reality.

In order to develop this Ward plan we spoke to you to find out what matters the most. We did this through a number of events and just by speaking to you whilst out and about in the community.



The priorities laid out in this plan will contribute to three key outcomes which are set out in ‘Thriving Neighbourhoods’, our neighbourhood strategy for 2018-2025:

- Neighbourhoods are safe and welcoming with good community spirit
- Residents are happy, healthy and love where they live
- Residents use their skills and assets to contribute to the outcomes that matter to them.

We’re now looking forward to working together to make these priorities come to life. The Ward plan will be updated regularly and placed on the Council website so everyone can see what’s being achieved in Keppel.

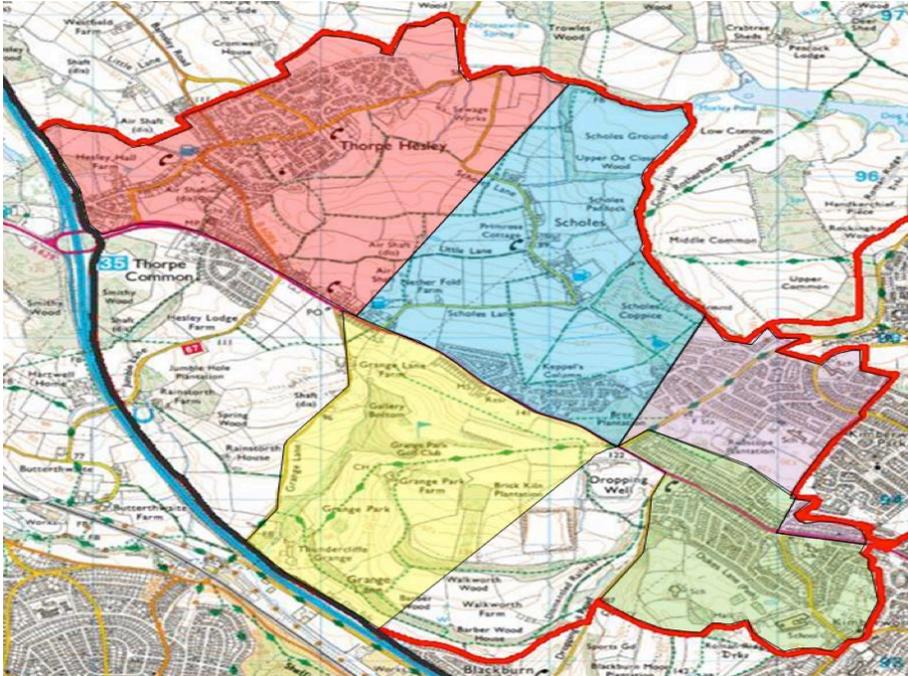
If you haven’t yet been involved but want to have your say, it’s not too late. Our contact details are included in this plan so get in touch and help develop and enhance our local community.

Councillors Maggi Clark, Dave Cutts and Paul Hague

2 Keppel Ward today

Keppel Ward is in the north of the borough. To ease understanding for

the Place Profile, the Ward has been divided into five zones:



-  Thorpe Hesley
-  Scholes
-  Grange Park (Droppingwell area)
-  Kimberworth Park
-  Kimberworth

Households

- There were **11,804** residents and **5,000** households
- Of these, **74%** were owner occupiers, **18%** lived in social housing and **8%** rented privately

Health

- People describing themselves as being in **'bad'** or **'very bad'** health was below the borough average, along with the figures for those having a limiting long term illness or disability
- The percentage of people providing unpaid care, however, was above the borough average

Education and Employment

- The proportions with higher qualifications/no qualifications are both above the borough average which suggests some polarisation within the ward
- The proportions of people working as Managers/Directors/Senior Officials and in Professional Occupations were above the borough average.



3 Ward priorities

For the municipal year 2019/20 your ward councillors have taken a look at refreshing the local priorities to help meet the needs of the community.

After consulting with partners, internal colleagues and, most importantly, the community, the following priorities have been agreed

Keppel

Work with police colleagues to keep Crime and ASB low, and provide public reassurance by engaging especially with elderly tenants through our multi-agency visits delivering security equipment

Work pro-actively with all partners to improve the environment

Identify and lobby for measures in support of the Clean Air Zone on / around the A629

Develop initiatives and events which bring voluntary / community sector groups together



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Surgeries	Cllr Maggi Clark	Cllr Dave Cutts	Cllr Paul Hague
Trinity Church, Sough Hall Road	1st Sat of month, 10.30-11.15am		
Chislett Centre, off K'worth Park Rd	2nd Mon of month, 5.30-6.15pm		
Black Hut, K'worth Park Rd		1st Wed of month, 4.45-5.45pm	1st Wed of month, 4.45-5.45pm