# **Maltby Ward**

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

### The Maltby Ward priorities are:-

- Set up themed steering groups with partners to work together on local issues and priorities.
- Explore ways to help landlords and tenants to help improve the conditions of their properties which will help sustain tenancies and occupancies
- Improve the environment by empowering our communities
- Explore opportunities for diversionary activities for young people
- Explore opportunities to work with the community and partners on the perception of young people and intergenerational projects.
- Work with RMBC public health and the community to raise awareness of mental health
- Work with partners and Adult learning to explore opportunities within the community to improve employability skills and access training.
- Ensure co-ordinated response to ASB hotspots in Monthly CIM meeting and set up specific task and finish groups as / when required.
- Ensure the residents of Little London of kept informed of any developments and progress with the area

# Explore opportunities for Diversionary Activities for Young People

Maltby Ward Councillors funded successful diversionary activities on Coronation Park on key nights in the year. Diversionary activities were funded during the Fawkes period (October Half term 2018) and in the summer as young people broke up for their summer break (July 2018). Due to previous successes and its popularity with young people, Maltby Ward Councillors, RMBC Early Help, Neighbourhoods, Barnardo's, Know the Score, Maltby Town Council, South Yorkshire Housing and Active Regen worked together to provide fun activities on the park. Over 80 young people enjoyed free activities on Coronation Park in Maltby in October half term and 156 young people attended the event as well as families in the summer. Young people enjoyed free activities including a climbing wall, Last One Standing and refreshments. Anti-social behaviour reports have significantly dropped since the activities were organised over the Fawkes period.



Maltby Ward Councillors funded two community groups with Handi Carts



from their Ward budget. Maltby Model Village Community Association and the Maltby Environmentalists groups both regularly litter pick in their area keeping their streets free of litter. The young people in the Environmentalist group also designed a sign encouraging people not to drop litter which has been placed on a bin in their community. The colourful design funded by Councillors includes pictures drawn of themselves and their group's logo.





Crags Community School were awarded funding from Maltby Ward Councillors for scooters and safety equipment for pupils at the school to use. Crags Community School are staying active with the use of scooters which are available for all to access whether this is during break times, lunchtimes or an extension to the variety of activities available during PE lessons. The school staff were keen to provide all pupils with the opportunity to access scooters and learn how to ride them safely both in and out of school. The school will be inviting external providers who will provide additional scooter safety advice and initiatives for all the pupils.



# **Empowering Communities**

Maltby has an active bowling group based in Coronation Park where over 70 plus bowlers regularly play and compete against other clubs in competitions. The RMBC owned bowling pavilion was in need of repair and maintenance particularly after water damage. The essential repairs were completed by RMBC but further works to improve the building was funded by the Maltby Ward Councillors. The bowlers themselves sourced a new kitchen which was installed ready for the new bowling season in April 2019. The bowlers were thrilled with all the



improvements. The Bowling group would welcome new members and attract young people to join in. This project is part of a number of improvements in the park and an opportunity to promote 5 ways to well being.



# Coronation Park NEW Orienteering Course

Maltby Councillors have been working with South Yorkshire Orienteering to set up an orienteering course in Coronation Park. There are three courses in the park for anyone to follow. This initiative is a new addition to the park which schools in the area are keen to use. The orienteering course is now live on the South Yorkshire website and easy to use. A launch of the orienteering course is to be organised with the community.

### **Intergenerational Project**

Maltby Ward Councillors funded a lantern walk in Maltby in partnership with Crags Community School, Maltby Model Village Community Association and Neighbourhoods Team . The Lantern Walk was held in February 2019 and this was the 5th year this event has taken place. The event invited families to take part in a lantern walk where children made colourful lanterns at Crags Community School which they used to help light their way on a walk to a local Neighbourhood Centre in Maltby. Walk Rotherham, South Yorkshire Police Countywide Road Safety Officer, South Yorkshire Housing and South Yorkshire Fire Service also attended the craft session providing advice on how to be seen at night and how to cross roads safety. The group then took a steady walk through Maltby to a local Neighbourhood centre, where Maltby Model Village Community Association served refreshments including Pie, Peas and hot dogs. This was a great intergenerational project and an opportunity for Model Village Community Association to promote their group and encourage new members. The event was a great success and all the families and residents enjoyed a fun activity.



