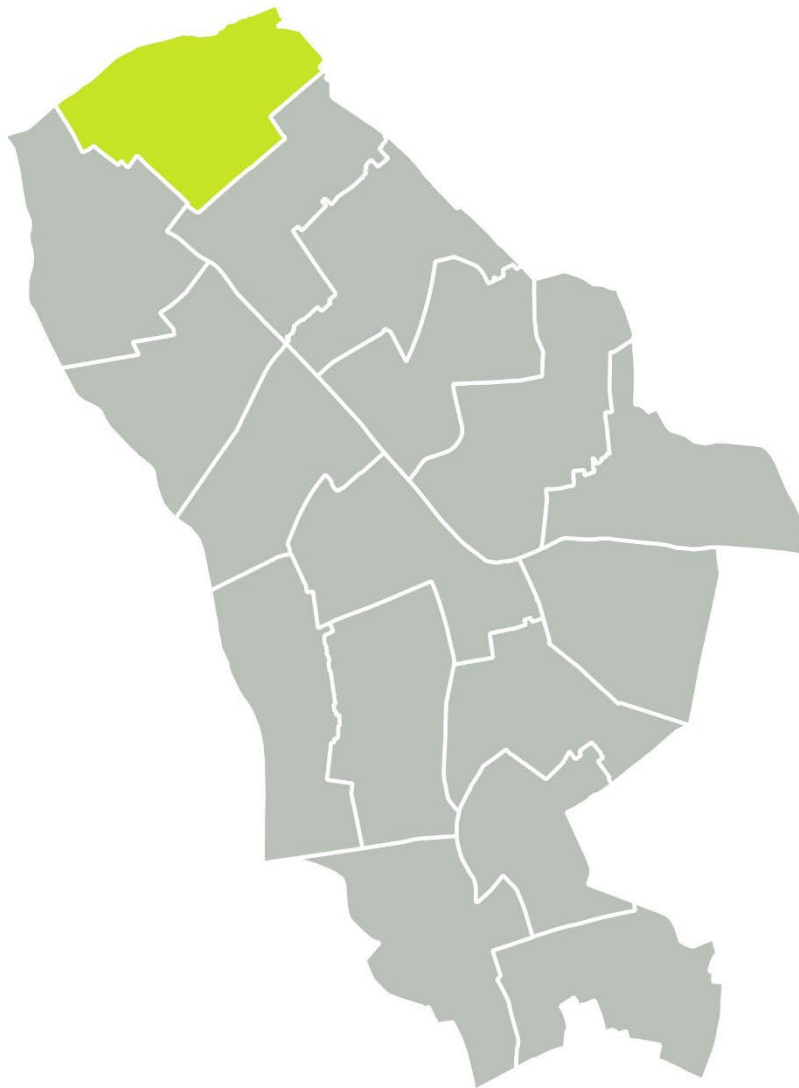




Hillrise

Community Plan – June 2022



Introduction

Thank you for taking the time to look at our Community Plan for Hillrise.

The Community Plan gives details of different schemes that, as your local councillors, we want to prioritise because we believe they will improve our area and enhance the lives of the people who live here.

Some of these improvement schemes have recently been completed, others are in the process of being implemented and some relate to projects we hope to see carried out in the future subject to funding becoming available.

As you can see, the projects in this Community Plan are wide-ranging. They include improvements to our leisure and other community facilities, initiatives that make our parks, streets and green spaces safer and more welcoming and schemes that make travel easier and more pleasant.

We work with local groups like tenants and residents' associations, schools, neighbourhood watch groups, gardening clubs, community centres and local special interest organisations of all kinds to come up with the improvement priorities that are set out in this Community Plan. If you have ideas for projects you would like to see here, then get in touch with us by sending us an email or by coming along to one of our regular ward partnership meetings.

The money to pay for the projects described in this Community Plan comes for the most part from financial contributions that developers are required to make when they build in our area.

Contents

The projects are split into three sections:

- Awaiting funding – projects that councillors are minded to support depending on availability of funds but have not yet made any allocations towards.
- Being Implemented – projects that have been funded and are ongoing.
- Completed – projects that were previously funded and now completed.

Details of potential, current and past projects are also available to view on our [interactive map](#).

Funding Allocations

Once projects have received funds they are listed as being implemented and then completed. Projects are primarily funded through contributions received from two different mechanisms secured when planning permissions are granted – Section 106 contributions or from the Community Infrastructure Levy. Please contact S106@islington.gov.uk for further information on the specific developments the funds originated from, if required.

How to Get Involved

Contact your councillor to propose a new project or attend a ward partnership meeting.

For more information about this community plan please contact us on either CIL@islington.gov.uk or S106@islington.gov.uk

Vision Statement from Hillrise Councillors

As Hillrise Ward Councillors, we recognise that our area is one of London's most socially diverse, and we have a desperate need for more government funds. We will look to support projects that reduce inequality, create a safer area, improve our greenspaces, and generally make Hillrise a fair, safe, healthy and friendly place for everyone to live.

Councillor's Michelline Safi Ngongo, Dave Poyser & Marian Spall

Awaiting Funding

Open Space

Hillrise Ward and Surrounding Estates - Greenspace

Approximate Cost: £50,000

The scheme seeks to reduce flood risk in the local area through the implementation of measures such as sustainable drainage systems (SuDS). These have the dual benefit of reducing flood risk and improving the amenity value of the estate's greenspace.

Transport and Public Realm

Hillrise Ward Speed Management

Approximate Cost: £20,000

The project would seek to introduce measures to address any speeding issues following the implementation of the borough wide 20mph speed limit. Possible measures include new vehicle activated signs, visual road narrowing, additional 20mph road markings and resident community enforcement programs.

Controlled Parking Zone Islington- Z Area Parking Review

Approximate Cost: £115,000

The project aims to review the St. Johns Way zone to ensure it provides benefits to residents, in terms of enforcement hours and split of resident only, pay and display and shared use parking bays.

Vicarage Path

Approximate Cost: £30,000

At present the lighting on Vicarage Path is poor, which creates an uncomfortable environment for residents. The project would aim to improve the lighting provision and ensure the resurfacing of the pathway.

Pauntley Street Streetscape Improvements

Approximate Cost: £6,000

The project will investigate the possibility of introducing planting along a retaining wall adjacent to a proposed new bus stand on Archway Road. Any potential design should align with TfL's proposals for the Archway Gyratory.

Being Implemented

Community Facilities

Caxton House Energy Efficiency Plan

Allocations made:

- Local CIL (£30,000)

The initial phase of the energy efficiency project will involve the replacement of all external windows and skylights with high quality triple glazed windows. The new windows will help reduce heat loss, improve energy efficiency, improve ventilation and reduce energy consumed by the Centre.



Islington Boxing Club

Allocations made:

- Local CIL (£10,000)

The project will see the redevelopment of the Islington Boxing Club, which at present is in a tired state. The funding will support the planning application process including all the necessary surveys, investigations, and designs. On the Council, granting planning permission the Club will begin fund-raising throughout 2022 and the first half of 2023, with building works to begin in the second half of 2023.

Estate Improvements

Hillrise Estates Secure Cycle Parking

Allocations made:

- Local CIL (£30,500)

The project will see two medium sized shelters installed on the New Orleans Estate. These new sheltered parking facilities will ensure bicycles can be safely secured and help contribute towards increasing cycling numbers in the borough.



Ilex House Accessibility Ramp

Allocations made:

- Local CIL (£13,899)
- S106 (£32,568)

The scheme will deliver a new accessible ramp at Ilex House. The ramp will improve accessibility for disabled residents and visitors, particularly wheelchair users. The project will also benefit those residents with babies and young children, making it easier to access the building while using prams and pushchairs.

Elthorne Estate Lighting Improvements

Allocations made:

- Local CIL (£13,899)

The project will improve the currently limited lighting in the car park off Mulkern Way. Additional works will include the upgrading of lighting along the pedestrian path that runs past the car park through the Elthorne Estate connecting to Hazellville Road. The works will create a safer public realm at night for residents.

New Orleans Walk CCTV

Allocations made:

- Local CIL (£50,000)

The project will involve the phased installation of CCTV in key locations on New Orleans Walk. Due to the estate having experienced high levels of Anti-Social Behaviour for many years.

Hillrise Mansions Playgrounds Improvements

Allocations made:

- Local CIL (£75,000)

The allocation will support the redevelopment of the playground at Hillrise Mansion. As due to concerns over safety a number of pieces of play equipment were removed. The new design will see a full redevelopment of the space, introducing more inclusive play equipment, improve accessibility, refurbish existing equipment and improving safety. The work will create a exciting and engaging space for children of all ages.

Open Space

Parkland Walk - Bridges, Retaining Walls, and Paths

Allocations made:

- Strategic Local CIL (£184,965)
- S106 (£69,065)

The proposal seeks to address the safety issues with bridges and retaining walls, which have deteriorated. Additionally, the project will see the creation of new accessible pathways, new view platforms, enhance woodland quality and refurbish the footbridge.



Hillrise Ward Tree Planting

Allocations made:

- Strategic Local CIL (£10,000)

The project will deliver tree planting throughout the Hillrise ward, in line with the Council's tree strategy. This will contribute to a greener Islington, which protects and promotes nature, and is better equipped to deal with climate change.

Sunnyside Community Garden Gate Replacement

Allocations made:

- Local CIL (£1,000)

The allocation will ensure the replacement of the stolen gate at the Sunnyside Community Garden. The replacement gate will ensure the team can secure the space out of opening hours.

Parkland Walk Local Nature Reserve

Allocations made:

- Local CIL (£15,000)

The project will see the installation of a tool shed, which will ensure the secure storage of equipment used during volunteer maintenance sessions. Additionally, works will include tree works aimed at increasing biodiversity, the installation of new fencing to prevent fly tipping and community events held to raise awareness of dog fouling issues. Finally, the funding will provide new tools for volunteers to use in site management.



Transport and Public Realm

Crouch Hill Campus and Cape

Allocations made:

- S106 (£24,764)

The project aims to restrict vehicular access to Crouch Hill Park and provide more child-friendly walking routes through the adventure playground. The skateboard ramp is causing distress to local residents. The proposal is for the removal of the ramp, followed by consultation with residents about the installation of more suitable equipment to replace it.

Completed

Community Facilities

Caxton House

Allocations made:

- Local CIL (£1,368)
- S106 (£37,465)

The funding provided a new kitchen and allowed for improvement works to the ground floor at Caxton house.



Islington Boxing Club

Allocations made:

- Local CIL (£9,547)
- S106 (£9,031)

The project provided Islington Boxing club with capital funding to re-build on its existing site. The Council has completed an asset transfer of the site to Islington Boxing Club. The transfer has enabled the club to improve the facilities, in an area needing youth provision.

Estate Improvements

New Orleans Walk Estate Lighting Scheme

Allocations made:

- S106 (£39,362)

The project improved the estates lighting through an upgrade to energy efficient LED lighting.

St John's Community Centre

Allocations made:

- S106 (£30,308)

The scheme delivered internal and external improvements to the centre.

New Orleans Walk Estate/Community Centre

Allocations made:

- S106 (£19,141)

The project involved work to the landscaping on both the estate and Community Centre. Alongside additional measures ensuring environmental improvements to the area.

Open Space

Elthorne Park and Sunnyside Gardens Nature Conservation

Allocations made:

- S106 (£134,650)

The project saw a range of interventions delivered to ensure that the park maintains its Site of Importance in Nature Conservation (SINC) designation meeting the council's commitments. Interventions included the establishment of aquatic vegetation to improve the water quality and enhancements to the nature conservation value of existing planting.



Playspace

Elthorne Park - Roundabout Replacement

The project has delivered a replacement roundabout in the Elthorne Park.

Sports and Recreation

Elthorne Park

The project delivered access improvements to the existing sports facilities including those at Cruyff Court. Further work has ensured a wider range of play opportunities for local young people. In addition, a number of general improvements have also taken place.



Transport and Public Realm

Footway Improvements to Ashmount Road

Allocations made:

- S106 (£92,039)

The project delivered improvements to the footway on Ashmount Road, ensuring the safe movement of pedestrians.

Road Safety near Mount Carmel School

Allocations made:

- S106 (£15,276)

The scheme delivered road safety and access improvements near Mount Carmel School, ensuring the safe movement of pupils and the pedestrians.

Miranda Estate - Pedestrian Improvements

Allocations made:

- Local CIL (£34,000)
- S106 (£50,000)

The project increased the width of the footpath, installed drop kerbs, bollards, pedestrian road crossings and renewed the surfaces with other associated road works. The work has improved the safety and ease of movement for residents and visitors.

