

# **Tufnell Park**

# **Community Plan – February 2023**



## Introduction

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

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.

#### 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 Tufnell Park Councillors

Tufnell Park Councillors want our ward to be inclusive, healthy, safe to live in and for walking and cycling too. We will support projects to reduce inequality, clean up our air, and improve the quality of life for everyone.

#### **Councillors Tricia Clarke, Gulcin Ozdemir and Satnam Gill**

# **Awaiting Funding**

## **Estate Improvements**

# Estates Lighting (Lower Hilldrop & Belmore Lane/Hilldrop Lane)

Approximate Cost: £69,000

Improvements are required to the lighting provision on the estates. The works would involve an upgrade to new LED light fittings to improve light provision on the estates.

#### **Coombe House 41 to 70 Improvements**

Approximate Cost: £80,000

The Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) pitch regeneration would involve the replacement of the non-goal end noise dampening court edge fences, with cranked topped fencing. Additionally, the pitch requires resurfacing including new associated line markings.

#### **Dalmeny Avenue Estate Improvements**

Approximate Cost: £70,000

The redesign of the estates entrance will involve landscaping of plant beds, the introduction of an enclosed bin storage areas, an upgrade to energy efficient LED lighting and block ID signage.

#### **Trecastle Way Improvements**

#### Approximate Cost: £10,000

The proposed project seeks to improve the estates lighting through an upgrade to energy efficient LED lighting, in addition to installing new, block ID signage.

## **Transport and Public Realm**

### **Brecknock Road Pedestrian / Cycle Crossing**

Approximate Cost: £40,000

The proposed project would seek to deliver a wide traffic island to provide new pedestrian / cycle crossing of Brecknock Road at Anson Road to Ospringe Road (Tufnell Park Junction bypass).

#### **Carleton Road - St George's Avenue Junction**

Approximate Cost: £80,000

The proposed project is for the installation of CCTV at the Carleton Road end of St. Georges Avenue; for the purposes of monitoring the paved area, which is known to suffer from issues relating to anti-social behaviour. Works would also seek to include a redesign of the cycle access, to prevent use by scooters and motorcycles.

# **Being Implemented**

# **Community Facilities**

## The Zone Youth Club Project

Allocations:

- Local CIL (£49,854)
- Strategic Local CIL (£27,646)

The scheme will see the creation of new one to one spaces at the club, of which there is currently none. Aligned to this, the work will include the refurbishment of the kitchen and toilet, as they are in a poor state of repair.

## **Estate Improvements**

## **Tufnell Park Estate Allotment Relocation**

Allocations:

• Local CIL (£22,000)

The existing vegetable growing area on the Tufnell Park Estate is currently located under mature trees, which is not a suitable location for growing. The project will involve the relocation of the existing planters to an area which receives a suitable amount of sun. Octopus Community Garden will take over management of the vacated space and will use for composting/food waste systems and simple fruit growing.

#### **Penderyn Way Improvements**

Allocations:

• Local CIL (£15,500)

The project will see drainage remediation works carried out in the communal garden. Alongside the replacement of the existing garden gate, as the existing one creates a significant amount of noise on closing. Finally works will see the installation of a new water tap, to support residents gardening on the estate.

## Playspace

#### **Chambers Road Park Playground Improvements**

Allocations:

• Local CIL (£30,000)

The playground in Chamber Road Park needs upgrading. The project would involve upgrades to the safety surfacing in both playground and the MUGA. Additionally, work would involve improvement to the play equipment, to improve the play experience. Finally, the project will see improvements to the park's green spaces.

# Completed

# **Community Facilities**

### **Brecknock Road MUGA Refurbishment**

Allocations:

• S106 (£60,000)

The project provided an upgrade to the Multi use games (MUGA) area including new fencing, new surfacing and associated line markings, new goal ends and an upgrade to pitch lighting.

## Hilldrop Community Centre Open Space

Allocations:

• S106 (£24,000)

The project ensured the creation of play structures and the resurfacing of the concrete play area to improve safety. Further work focused on improving the garden and external court area to create a safe learning facility, work included the replacement of benches, the buggy park, repairing unsafe fencing and removing hazardous low hanging branches. Finally, to reduce antisocial behaviour the project increased CCTV coverage of the site.



## The Cat & Mouse Library

Allocations:

#### • S106 (£100,000)

The funding supported the development of the new Cat & Mouse Library, which replaced the old John Barnes Library. The new library includes new computers, study space, new books for adults, teens and children and is fully accessible. In addition to new facilities the library offers family-friendly reading including baby bounce, storytelling sessions and adult and teen reading groups.



## **Estate Improvements**

### **Tufnell Park Estate Secure Cycle Parking**

Allocations:

• S106 (£30,000)

The project has provided three medium sized secure cycle shelters on the Tufnell Park Estate, in addition, to two medium sized secure cycle shelters on the Daren Court Estate. The new shelters have ensured residents have secure facilities to store their bikes, helping to support cycling in the borough.

## **Margery Fry Court Signage**

Allocations:

• Local CIL (£3,000)

The current signage at Margery Fry Court needs repairing. The allocation will ensure the replacement of estate signage with aluminium backed signs, which include a mix of wayfinding signage in the communal areas and waste notices by the bin chutes.

## Melyn Close Estate Decluttering Works

Allocations:

• S106 (£10,000)

The scheme involved the de-cluttering of the Melyn Close estate. Through the removal of redundant fixtures and fittings.

#### **Upper Hilldrop Estate Improvement Works**

Allocations:

• S106 (£60,000)

The project has delivered improvement works to the Upper Hilldrop Estate with a specific focus on the redesign and upgrade of the play area. The work included the installation of new wooden play equipment including balance beams and stepping-stones. The work on the toddler play park included the installation of a variety of new equipment and resurfacing.



## **Coombe House Maps & Wayfinding Signage**

Allocations:

• S106 (£10,000)

The project involved the installation of new estate maps and wayfinding signage to enable better navigation through the estate. The signage and wayfinding highlighted key landmarks, alongside routes through the estate from main roads.

### Saxonbury Court 21 to 36 Improvements

#### Allocations:

- Local CIL (£40,000)
- Other (£2,850)

The proposal involved the redesign of the play area with upgrades to equipment including a new climbing frame, swing set, table tennis table and wet pour play surface, with other associated works including the removal of gates and tree pruning. Additional, works involved the repairing of the brick wall at the entrance to the Estate.



### Penderyn Way Speed Humps Motorbike Parking

Allocations:

• S106 (£11,828)

The project saw the construction of two road humps and the introduction of 5 miles per hour signs. In order to reduce vehicle speed and improve safety on Penderyn Way. Additional, work involved the installation of new street planters to create a space for motorbike parking.

## **Hilldrop Community Centre Lighting**

Allocations:

• S106 (£20,000)

The funding enabled an upgrade of the lighting at the Hilldrop Community Centre and rear walkway to LED's. The upgrades have helped to reduce energy consumption and will increase the lifetime of the bulbs.

### Melyn Close Estate Lighting and Play Area Improvements

Allocations:

#### • S106 (£40,000)

The project has seen the upgrading of the estate lighting to LED, inclusive of column and wall lights. Additional work focused on upgrading of the existing play area. Prior to the works, the equipment was lacking and unexciting to children.



#### **Upper Hilldrop Estate Maps**

Allocations:

• S106 (£10,000)

The project involved the installation of new estate maps and wayfinding signage to enable better navigation through the estate, illustrate key landmarks and routes through the estate from main roads.

#### **Penderyn Way Estate Lighting**

Allocations:

• S106 (£15,000)

The funding enabled an upgrade of the lighting at the Hilldrop Community Centre and rear walkway to LED's. The upgrades have helped to reduce energy consumption and will increase the lifetime of the bulbs.

#### **Brecknock Estate New Maps and Wayfinding Signage**

Allocations:

• S106 (£10,000)

The project will introduce new estate maps and wayfinding signage in a timeless design style to the Brecknock Road Estate.

### **Tufnell Park Estate – Planter Improvements**

#### Allocations:

- Local CIL (£2,100)
- S106 (£8,000)

To improve site lines on the Tufnell Park Estate, works saw the removal or cutting back of shrubs, which left several bare beds. The project supported the further removal of identified shrubs that where subsequently replanted in suitable locations on the estate. The work then saw the replenishing of the beds soil and the replanting, of appropriate plants.



#### **Coombe House Secure Bike Hanger**

Allocations:

• Local CIL (£2,800)

The project involved the installation of a secure bike hanger on the Lower Hilldrop Estate outside Coombe House. The new cycle parking facility ensures residents can secure their bicycles securely and help support the growth of cycling in the borough.



## Hilldrop Crescent Estate Swing Set Replacement

Allocations:

• Local CIL (£5,500)

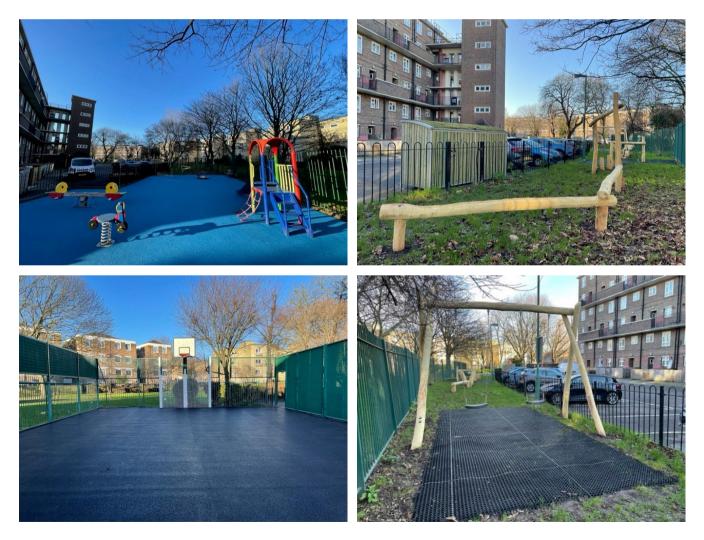
The project involved the replacement of the original swing set. As a review had identified the original swing as unsafe. The work involved the replacement of the wooden swing set with a high-quality metal one in the same location.

### **Moelwyn Hughes Court – Play Area Improvements**

Allocations:

- Local CIL (£14,156)
- S106 (£80,844)

The project involved the redesign of the existing play area. The works saw the introduction of new play equipment including a new toddler-climbing frame, slide, wooden balance equipment and safety surfacing. Additionally, works involved improvements MUGA's multi goal area and the relaying of the pitches surface.



### **Penderyn Way New Tree Pits**

Allocations:

• Local CIL (£20,000)

The project involved the creation of new tree pits on Penderyn Way, as trees along the road had displaced the tarmac for several estate parking bays. The disturbance rendered the bays unusable for vehicles and unsafe for residents and visitors. The work has improved user safety of the area, while causing no harm to the trees.



## Margery Fry Court Signage

Allocations:

• Local CIL (£3,000)

The allocation ensured the replacement of estate signage with aluminium backed signs, which include a mix of wayfinding signage in the communal areas and waste notices by the bin chutes.

### **Margery Fry Estate Lighting Improvements**

Allocations:

• S106 (£1,730)

The funding supported the upgrade to the lighting on the Margery Fry Estate. The lighting upgrades have reduced dark areas on the estate, reduced energy consumption and will increase the lifetime of the bulbs.

### **Daren Court Resurfacing**

#### • S106 (£40,000)

The project saw the resurfacing of the estate's carpark following years of wear. The smooth surface ensures vehicles and residents can move through the space safely and comfortably.

### **Hilldrop Community Centre Garden Improvements**

#### Allocations:

#### • Local CIL (£25,000)

The scheme saw the redevelopment of the existing growing space in the carpark of the Hilldrop Community Centre. The space had fallen into disrepair and was subject of anti-social behaviour. The improvement works included repairs to existing planters, retro fitting of a stone seating circle into a planter and introduction of stone gabions to prevent vehicles reversing into planters. The redevelopment ensures the space is accessible for all and will provide space for both decorative and food growing pursuits.



## Margery Fry Court Playground and MUGA Improvements

Allocations:

• Local CIL (£110,000)

The play area and equipment at Margery Fry Court has become tired from years of use. The project upgraded and improved the playground, play equipment, and ball court. In addition to this the project introduced a new outdoor gym and table tennis tables. The works have ensured children have a safe and engaging space to play.



### **Tufnell Park Estate Water Point**

Allocations:

• Local CIL (£3,300)

The allocation has supported the installation of a new water point on the Tufnell Park Estate. The water point will help support the Octopus Community Garden and the resident growing space.

### **Hollins House CCTV**

Allocations:

• Local CIL (£12,500)

The project involved the upgrade and repositioning of CCTV cameras on Hollins House (Tufnell Park Estate). The works involved the removal and relocation of a wall mounted camera onto new 500mm outreach corner bracket, to increase the cameras view area. The installation of 3 Bullet cameras onto an existing lighting column to improve coverage over the gardens and entrances to the estate.

# **School Facilities**

### **Tufnell Park School Play Area Improvements**

Allocations:

#### • Local CIL (£15,000)

The funding supported improvements to the outdoor learning and play provision at Tufnell Park School. The works included the installation of a Forest Story House, an outdoor learning platform for all areas of curriculum, including drama, storytelling, and art. Further work included the addition of a Multi-Faceted Interactive Boundary incorporating split-levels with hidden corners and dividers around the sand pit area. The feature promotes socialisation and creative play. Lastly, the funding supported the creation of a Middle Enclosure, using fencing and plant climbers to enclose the central space of the main playground. The space provided another sheltered to support and encourage creative thinking.



# **Sports and Recreation**

#### **Hilldrop Crescent Kickabout**

The project improved the kickabout play facilities at Hilldrop Crescent. The work has improved the play experience in the space and will aid in the promotion of physical active.

## **Dalmeny Park**

#### Allocations:

#### • S106 (£56,713)

The scheme involved the replacement of the existing play features and saw the introduction of more natural play equipment. The new equipment offers a more versatile and engaging play experience.



# **Transport and Public Realm**

### **Tufnell Park Station Junction - Advanced Stop Line**

Allocations:

• S106 (£20,000)

The proposal involved the implementation of an advanced stop line at each of the five roads that converge at the five-ways junction near Tufnell Park Station. The work has improved the safety of pedestrian and cyclists.

#### **Tree Planting Tavistock Terrace**

Allocations:

• S106 (£5,000)

The project will see the planting and replacement of the five previously lost trees on Tavistock Terrace.

## **Carleton Road (Tufnell Park) School Street**

#### Allocations:

#### • S106 (£10,000)

The scheme will create a 'school street' on Carleton Road, which hosts two schools - Tufnell Park Primary School and The Bridge Secondary School. The 'school street' will allow a temporary closure of the road during the school's opening and closing times. Closure of the road will help to reduce congestion and pollution at the school gates, as well as making it easier and safer for children to get to and from school.



### **Tufnell Park Manor Gate Posts**

Allocations:

• S106 (£5,937)

The project involved repair works to Tufnell Park Manor Gate Posts.

#### **Dog Fouling Clean-up Project**

Allocations:

• S106 (£4,779)

The project sought to reduce dog fouling, in the Hilldrop Road are, which residents had raised. The areas highlighted included the Hilldrop Road Community Centre, Dalmeny Road, and local school routes. Measures included the introduction of additional bins and installation of signage.

### **Mercers/Yerbury Road Street Planters**

Allocations:

#### • Local CIL (£8,600)

The project will see two new planters introduced on the corner of Mercers and Yerbury Road. The planters will refresh the space, whilst providing a variety of colour as the seasons change. The design of the planters ensures that all residents can partake in their maintenance and care.



### **Dalmeny Road Street Planters**

#### Allocations:

• Local CIL (£15,600)

The project involved the installation of two new street planters, either side of the cycle path at the northern end of Dalmeny Road. The planters will improve the appearance of the public realm and will provide changing colours throughout the seasons.

### **Willow Nursery Pavement Widening**

#### Allocations:

#### • S106 (£4,375)

The project improved pedestrian safety by widening the pavements to ensure that parents, children, and buggies could leave the Willow nursery without having to walk on the road.

