

## Application 1

### ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS

Project Details	
<b>Project Title</b>	Blooming Good Times
<b>Project Overview (max. 50 words)</b>	We are currently focusing on projects to grow friendships and social interaction to promote mental and social wellbeing in our community and looking to develop physical wellbeing alongside. This will continue to build on what we are building and offer practical skills and health opportunities and develop community gardens
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	£5,400
<b>Match Funding</b>	£800
<b>Total NF Requested</b>	£4,600
<b>Project Start Date</b>	01-Apr-24
<b>Project End Date</b>	01-Apr-26
<b>Where will the project be based/delivered from?</b>	St Mary and St Peter's Community Project

Project Description
<p>We have a large greenhouse and well established gardens which are not currently being well used. A couple of elderly volunteers help with weeding etc. however since Covid, most groups had ended here. We are in the process of rebuilding our Community Project with partnership working with other community organisations and those who are now renting space from us. This Blooming Good Times Project will form another part of our attempt to combat social isolation and growing concerns for mental and physical health deterioration in our community post Covid which has seen people failing to leave home to return to group and social activities.</p> <p>We are currently developing social, art, digital awareness, friendship and lunch clubs and this project would enable us to continue to meet our goal of reaching the isolated and marginalised and offer more opportunities for interaction as well as further developing our target of healthy activities including outdoor working, learning new skills and sharing those we have, resulting in raised self esteem and creating a more beautiful space in our community garden as well as being able to take baskets/troughs/planters home to enhance home situations. We intend to use the spring to help prepare the ground with existing plants as well as being greenhouse bulb and seed planting. These plants will form the basis of annual plants to enhance the community garden and develop new seating areas, one close to a local bus stop and all areas of the garden facing main roads and local houses which will enhance the area for the many. We will be working with Cultural Spring to create outdoor garden structures to enhance the garden, which is a follow up from another project with did with them around crafts and resulting in our playing a part in the Sunderlight exhibition in Barnes Park last year.</p>

We are also looking to make/decorate planters with them which people can plant up to take home and enhance their gardens/doorsteps and celebrate their own creativity. As we strive for holistic work in wellbeing awareness, we hope to grow vegetables and use the fruits from the trees already in the community garden to cook for our lunch project which we hope people will join and encourage cooking/preserving for them to take home and enjoy, developing further skill sharing and health benefits.

Any produce/plants sold on would be put back into the Blooming Good Times Project to fund further work going forward. Because we are committed to partnership working, there are other gardening groups/craft groups we are looking to work with and also Sunderland Parent Carer Forum and Choice Wellbeing which are based with us and whose members and clients may contribute to and benefit from the planned project.

It will give the opportunity for intergenerational working with children and young people and older groups sharing expertise and skills and learning more about the wider community we share. There will also be the opportunity to work alongside those with differing abilities and appreciate the needs and complexities we all can face as we build community together. Although we are based in Sandhill Ward, we are open to those from other Wards joining as partnership working.

We intend to do this for 2 years initially as this will allow a full annual cycle in the garden of preparation, fruition and bedding down for winter before putting those learned skills into practice again. We envisage this project going on beyond that and will seek further funding then if we are not yet self sufficient, something we see as important to strive for in our bid for sustainability. It is hoped if needed we would be able to apply for funding for staffing if needed as the Project grows, however it will be run by volunteers for the purposes of this funding bid.

We will celebrate our work together as a community by regularly eating together for celebration times such as Christmas and Easter Lunches and a Summer festival in our garden with BBQ to celebrate our work and draw others into the gardens and encourage volunteering. There will be a launch celebration for the community and we will hold a fayre/open afternoon to sell any food, cakes or preserves made with produce from the gardens. These will be funded by the St Mary and St Peter's Community Project as part of our Match funding which is a commitment we can make from our reserved money and income.

This will be ringfenced to protect it for this project. In this project, we believe Blooming Good Times delivers and 'in bloom' project both in the homes of people and in the Community space/Garden as it exists and will enhance the groups we are already forming. To this end, we believe we are improving outdoor and open spaces, increasing pride in our neighbourhood and increasing our volunteers as they grow and develop in self worth and self esteem as well as improving their mental and physical health.

<b>Funding Budget</b>		
<b>Budget Heading/Item</b>		<b>Total Profiled NF</b>
Pots/compost/seeds/consumables	£	2,800
Refreshments for volunteers	£	800
Protective clothing needed for volunteers	£	1,000
<b>NF Funding Total</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>4,600</b>

		Overall Target Total
<b>CODE</b>	<b>Healthy Smart City Outputs</b>	
201	number of activities or services delivered that support residents to achieve a healthier lifestyle (mentally, physically, independently)	<b>29</b>
202	number of NEW adults enjoying a healthier lifestyle (mentally, physically, independently)	<b>170</b>
203	number of individual adults enjoying a healthier lifestyle (mentally, physically, independently)- footfall	<b>200</b>
204	number of items purchased	<b>80</b>
205	number of NEW children and young people benefiting from this project	<b>40</b>
206	number of individual children and young people benefiting from this project- footfall	<b>111</b>
207	number of individuals signposted into Public/VCS services e.g. information, advice and guidance	<b>70</b>
208	amount of highway, cycle, pathways, greenspace improved by area (m2)	<b>4000</b>
<b>CODE</b>	<b>Vibrant Smart City Outputs</b>	
305	number of NEW volunteers recruited	<b>58</b>
306	number of volunteers participating	<b>223</b>
307	number of volunteer hours delivered	<b>640</b>
308	number of residents participating in decision making	<b>460</b>
309	number of cultural, heritage and community events supported and delivered	<b>35</b>

**Recommendation – Approve**

The Neighbourhood and Community Board recommend Approval of this project, which delivers to a **Scheme of environmental improvements**

## Application 2

### ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS

Project Details	
Project Title	Silksworth and St Chads in Bloom
Project Overview (max. 50 words)	Develop an in bloom project in the Silksworth and St Chads wards
Total Project Cost	£7,494
Match Funding	£2,500
Total NF Requested	£4,994
Project Start Date	01-Apr-24
Project End Date	01-Mar-25
Where will the project be based/delivered from?	Silksworth and St Chads Wards

Project Description
<p>We would like to address the West Area Committees “Environmental improvements” priority which will complement and work in partnership with existing services and initiatives and carry out environmental improvements in the local area.</p> <p><b>Project Proposal</b> We would like to develop an in-bloom project in the Silksworth and St Chads wards of Sunderland. This project will complement/strengthen our existing clean and green project “Silksworth and St Chads Ranger”.</p> <p><b>Silksworth Proposal</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 3 x Railing Planters around the ward (Vicarage Road, Durham Terrace, Silksworth Terrace)</li><li>• 2 x Tiered planter next to pit wheel</li><li>• Bulbs for existing planters located around the ward</li></ul> <p>The proposed project will improve the overall visual appearance of the Silksworth ward making it more attractive and a better place to live for the local community.</p> <p>The project will delivered and maintained by the Silksworth Ranger and their volunteers.</p>

We will work in partnership with The Friends of Silksworth Park, Silksworth Residents group, and ward councillors.

We will build improved links with the 4 allotments sites to obtain plants and bulbs hopefully donated or at low cost. We will also encourage them to become active volunteers.

We will work with local groups to empower them to take ownership and adopt a barrier trough/planter.

We will ensure that the barrier troughs/planters are maintained on a regular basis.

Our proposal has been based on safety and highest impact from a local services perspective.

### **St Chads Proposal**

- Multi arm hanging basket tree located at the Board Inn Area around the St Chads
- 2 x Tiered planters at Durham Road
- 3 x Railing planters to complement those already in place (West Park Railings)

The proposed project will improve the overall visual appearance of the St Chads ward making it more attractive and a better place to live for the local community.

The project will delivered and maintained by the St Chads Ranger and volunteers.

We will work in partnership with the Friends of Middle Herrington Park, Herrington Village Show, Friends of Herrington, and St Davids Community Church Project, and ward councillors.

We will build improved links with the Herrington Village Show to obtain plants and bulbs hopefully donated or at low cost. We will also encourage them to become active volunteers.

Our proposal has been based on safety and highest impact from a local services perspective.

### **Additional Information**

We will empower children, young people and the local community to take pride in their area and understand the natural environment and the impact of negative behaviours against the environment.

We know that outdoor activities and environmental projects are particularly powerful learning opportunities as they contribute to a range of important collective targets across education, health, anti-social behaviour, and community cohesion.

During delivery of the project we will produce regular social media posts to show the good work being delivered and the opportunities available with reference made to the support provided by Area Committee.

### **Both projects will contribute to the overall outcomes of**

- Improved outdoor and open spaces
- Increased pride in neighbourhood
- Increased volunteers

<b>Funding Budget</b>	
<b>Budget Heading/Item</b>	<b>Total Profiled NF</b>
6 x Railing Planters @ £160 each	£ 960
4 x tiered Planters @ £780 each	£ 3,120

Multi Arm Hanging Basket @£804each	£	804
Bulbs	£	110
<b>NF Funding Total</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>4,994</b>

		Overall Target Total
<b>CODE</b>	<b>Healthy Smart City Outputs</b>	
204	number of items purchased	<b>11</b>
213	number of street furniture and / or equipment funded to repaired/replaced/renewed	<b>11</b>
<b>CODE</b>	<b>Vibrant Smart City Outputs</b>	
306	number of volunteers participating	<b>2</b>
307	number of volunteer hours delivered	<b>45</b>

**Recommendation – Approve**

The Neighbourhood and Community Board recommend Approval of this project, which delivers to a **Scheme of environmental improvements**

**Application 3**

***ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS***

<b>Project Details</b>	
<b>Project Title</b>	Silksworth Recreational Park in Bloom
<b>Project Overview (max. 50 words)</b>	We would like to develop an in-bloom project in the Silksworth ward of Sunderland. Our project will focus on environmental improvements within Silksworth Recreation Park.
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	£2,588
<b>Match Funding</b>	£1,248
<b>Total NF Requested</b>	£1,340
<b>Project Start Date</b>	01-Apr-24
<b>Project End Date</b>	01-Mar-25
<b>Where will the project be based/delivered from?</b>	Silksworth Recreation Park



## Project Description

Friends of Silksworth Park would like to address the West Area Committees “Environmental improvements” priority which will complement and work in partnership with existing services and initiatives and carry out environmental improvements in the local area.

### Project Proposal

We would like to develop an in-bloom project in the Silksworth ward of Sunderland. Our project will focus on environmental improvements within Silksworth Recreation Park.

- 6 x Railing planters on the railings at the entrance of Silksworth Recreational Park
- A planters with bulbs to be located outside the Tea Pavilion.

The proposed project will improve the overall visual appearance of the Silksworth recreational Park making it more attractive and a better place to visit for the local community.

The project will delivered and maintained by the Friends of Silksworth park and their volunteers.

We will work in partnership with the Silksworth Ranger, Silksworth Residents group, and ward councillors.

We will build improved links with the 4 allotments sites to obtain plants and bulbs hopefully donated or at low cost. We will also encourage them to become active volunteers. We will improve links with the schools within the area.

During delivery of the project we will produce regular social media posts to show the good work being delivered and the opportunities available with reference made to the support provided by Area Committee.

We will empower children, young people and the local community to take pride in their area and understand the natural environment and the impact of negative behaviours against the environment.

### Our project will contribute to the overall outcomes of

- Improved outdoor and open spaces
- Increased pride in neighbourhood
- Increased volunteers

Our proposal has been based on safety and highest impact from a local services perspective.

Funding Budget	
Budget Heading/Item	Total Profiled NF
Railing planters x 6 @£160	£ 960
Planter	£ 300
Bulbs	£ 80
<b>NF Funding Total</b>	<b>£ 1,340</b>



		Overall Target Total
<b>CODE</b>	<b>Healthy Smart City Outputs</b>	
204	Number of items purchased	<b>7</b>
213	number of street furniture and / or equipment funded to repaired/replaced/renewed	<b>7</b>
<b>CODE</b>	<b>Vibrant Smart City Outputs</b>	
305	number of NEW volunteers recruited	<b>2</b>
306	number of volunteers participating	<b>86</b>

### Recommendation – Approve

The Neighbourhood and Community Board recommend Approval of this project, which delivers to a **Scheme of environmental improvements**

### Application 4

#### **ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS**

Project Details	
<b>Project Title</b>	Pallion Plants, Flowers and Trees
<b>Project Overview (max. 50 words)</b>	The project aims to improve the streets and green spaces of Pallion with increased planting in flower beds, plant boxes and borders. With the time of the Pallion Clean and Green ranger and volunteers from local groups as well as Springboard trainee's.
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	£2,086
<b>Match Funding</b>	£
<b>Total NF Requested</b>	£2,086
<b>Project Start Date</b>	04-Mar-24
<b>Project End Date</b>	28-Feb-25
<b>Where will the project be based/delivered from?</b>	Springboard Pallion

## Project Description

The proposed project aims to use the funds to implement changes to rejuvenate green spaces in the Pallion ward by performing regular maintenance and regeneration of plants, trees, shrubs and hedges to provide an attractive community shared space that brings colour and natural beauty to the areas. This will include regular litter picking, vegetation maintenance by removal of undesirable plants like bramble and nettles and replacing the space with visually appealing species that will benefit local residents and boost the health and biodiversity of the immediate area.

The funding provided by this project will be used to introduce new plants to existing planter troughs and baskets around Pallion, including on St Luke's Terrace, Fordfield Road, General Havelock Road and others. This would improve the appearance of the area and make it a more attractive place for people to spend their time and will hopefully also contribute to positive effects in the mental health of residents. The project will also maintain existing and established vegetation in other areas such as Fordfield Road and Hylton Road Playing Fields to both create a well-maintained, healthy, and welcoming space for the public which would be visually appealing and discouraging for any antisocial behaviour. When an area is well kept and with positive planting there are knock on benefits with reduced graffiti, littering and ASB.

Plans for the planters along Fordfield Road are to continue maintenance of the evergreen laurel bushes to keep them tidy and organised, and to also introduce new plants that would contribute to local wildlife in terms of habitat and food sources. Hardy, edible plants or fruit trees such as rosemary, sage, and mint are perennial and require minimal intervention once established, and trees like hazel and apple would be well suited to these areas because they are both visually attractive and would provide fruit that is accessible to the public. Fruit and herbs planted in the area in this manner would also serve as educational tools that can work to promote healthy eating and locally sourced, environmentally friendly and sustainable food. Plants like these would also benefit local wildlife, because hardy perennials, evergreens and herbs are essential for a healthy population of pollinating insects and fruit trees are an excellent source of food for birds like robin, blackbird, jackdaw and bullfinch. The herbs would be an excellent addition to the planters on St. Luke's Terrace because once established, they are resistant to many environmental challenges and remain attractive and functional with minimal maintenance or intervention throughout the year and are generally long-lived plants that will continue to flower and grow for years to come.

The provision of training to local volunteers will be beneficial to individuals, the community and the green spaces because it grants people the opportunity to engage with nature and their local environments for the benefit of the public and the plants they're caring for. Training people on basic horticultural skills will go a long way toward boosting the sense of local pride because they would then feel empowered and able to care for the green spaces with their new skills, which could in turn lead to the formation of new friends groups or the addition of new members to existing ones.

<b>Funding Budget</b>	
<b>Budget Heading/Item</b>	<b>Total Profiled NF</b>
Plants, shrubs, flowers, trees and associated sundries to support.	£ 2,086
<b>NF Funding Total</b>	<b>£ 2,086</b>

		Overall Target Total
<b>CODE</b>	<b>Healthy Smart City Outputs</b>	
201	number of activities or services delivered that support residents to achieve a healthier lifestyle (mentally, physically, independently)	<b>16</b>
202	number of NEW adults enjoying a healthier lifestyle (mentally, physically, independently)	<b>20</b>
203	number of individual adults enjoying a healthier lifestyle (mentally, physically, independently)- footfall	<b>40</b>
209	number of litter picks/community cleans up carried out	<b>16</b>
210	Number of bags of waste cleared from neighbourhoods	<b>8</b>
212	number of existing / derelict assets improved	<b>16</b>
<b>CODE</b>	<b>Vibrant Smart City Outputs</b>	
306	number of volunteers participating	<b>40</b>
307	number of volunteer hours delivered	<b>120</b>
308	number of residents participating in decision making	<b>8</b>
309	number of cultural, heritage and community events supported and delivered	<b>1</b>

**Recommendation – Approve**

The Neighbourhood and Community Board recommend Approval of this project, which delivers to a **Scheme of environmental improvements**

**Application 5**

**ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS**

<b>Project Details</b>	
<b>Project Title</b>	Growing Our Community
<b>Project Overview (max. 50 words)</b>	Sharing our Community garden space with local community members for growing, relaxation and mental health improvement. Introducing children and families to growing food to promote healthy eating and reduce living costs.
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	£19,740
<b>Match Funding</b>	£15,120
<b>Total NF Requested</b>	£4,620
<b>Project Start Date</b>	01-Apr-24
<b>Project End Date</b>	31-Dec-24
<b>Where will the project be based/delivered from?</b>	Grindon Church Community Project, Galway Rd, Sunderland, SR4 8JZ

## Project Description

GCCP has an established Community Garden which before lockdown won a Britain In Bloom Neighbourhood award. Since lockdown we've been working towards restoring and improving the garden and we would like to develop and progress this with a view to entering the competition again this year therefore we want to expand access and use to all areas of the gardens. Since Covid we have added donated Polytunnels constructed by volunteer teams from EDF and EE and have a greenhouse funded ready for a volunteer team and a long enough gap in the stormy weather to put into place. Safe gravel flooring is needed in these growing spaces for drainage and access.

We understand there are increasing waiting lists for allotments within the city and would like to take the opportunity to offer newly refurbished raised beds for growing to local community members in return for some help in the gardens. We already have some people interested and envisage working with Gentoo, Social Prescribing and the Allotments Association to further offer these opportunities. Interested people would also be able to use Polytunnel space and share knowledge and resources.

Last year there was new interest and excitement in gardening when OASES introduced the toddler group and their families to growing. We would like to build on this with further OASES sessions to introduce families new to the groups to growing and encourage healthy eating and further development of the Toddler Garden. The young ones were enthusiastic and carried their growing skills to their own homes where we understand the grown ups have tried it too! We are having trees that have outgrown their surroundings removed very soon and will be reusing these throughout the garden space as we do with much of our garden 'waste'. Chipping and composting for reuse. All activities encourage participants to recycle and re-use and our gardens have a lot of examples throughout.

Working with Cultural Spring we are looking at introducing a Sculpture trail to the gardens so each view and aspect has something of interest to explore and enjoy. Work on these has already begun.

Our aim is to open the gardens to the community for a few hours on a regular basis to allow access to find a view to enjoy, explore the planting and growing, walk find a peaceful spot to sit or enjoy the wildlife including insects, hedgehogs, birdlife and bog-life. The open gardens would tie in with our Repair Café mornings which are about to be relaunched.

With this in mind we would like to install CCTV within the gardens to protect and enhance the use and enjoyment of the spaces.

Many of us at GCCP have experienced the value of garden spaces and gardening in improving mental health whether ongoing or at times of acute illness or crisis. Our in-house counsellor is introducing this to his clients whenever it is appropriate. We have also found the gardens to benefit during physical illness or for those with disability. As far as is possible most areas are fully accessible and we will be reviewing this as part of the work this summer.

Cook and Count – this course is currently running at GCCP (improving maths by exploring cooking, recipes and costing) and is scheduled for further courses later in the year. We will take the opportunity to extend this course towards "growing to eat" to continue interest in reducing cost of living difficulties and promoting healthier eating by using the garden spaces.

We expect to increase the number of volunteers and garden users of all ages by offering the various growing areas and leisure areas out to the local community to utilise and enjoy.

<b>Funding Budget</b>	<b>Lifetime</b>
<b>Budget Heading/Item</b>	<b>Total Profiled NF</b>
Materials for raised beds and walkways	£ 1,320
CCTV	£ 600
OASES - toddlers growing workshops x 6	£ 1,200
Celebration events	£ 1,000
Additional planting for screening of areas	£ 400
Additional planting - bulbs and bog plants	£ 100
<b>NF Funding Total</b>	<b>£ 4,620</b>

		Overall Target Total
<b>CODE</b>	<b>Healthy Smart City Outputs</b>	
202	number of NEW adults enjoying a healthier lifestyle (mentally, physically, independently)	<b>20</b>
203	number of individual adults enjoying a healthier lifestyle (mentally, physically, independently)- footfall	<b>40</b>
204	number of items purchased	<b>0</b>
205	number of NEW children and young people benefiting from this project	<b>20</b>
206	number of individual children and young people benefiting from this project- footfall	<b>60</b>
208	amount of highway, cycle, pathways, greenspace improved by area (m2)	<b>4000</b>
<b>CODE</b>	<b>Vibrant Smart City Outputs</b>	
301	Number of activities or services delivered that support residents to become more resilient (financially)	<b>3</b>
302	number of individual people more resilient (financially)	<b>40</b>
303	number of safety measures installed/delivered to improve neighbourhoods	<b>1</b>
304	number of Enforcement actions	<b>0</b>
305	number of NEW volunteers recruited	<b>30</b>
306	number of volunteers participating	<b>129</b>
307	number of volunteer hours delivered	<b>4930</b>
308	number of residents participating in decision making	<b>57</b>

### **Recommendation – Approve**

The Neighbourhood and Community Board recommend Approval of this project, which delivers to a **Scheme of environmental improvements**

## Application 6

### **ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS**

<b>Project Details</b>	
<b>Project Title</b>	Thorney Close Action & Enterprise Centre gardening project
<b>Project Overview (max. 50 words)</b>	The project proposes improving the grounds and walkways of TCAEC by installing flower beds and planters at the entrance and building vegetable plots for children and young people accessing services in the centre to grow their own vegetables and flowers
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	£2,940
<b>Match Funding</b>	£ -
<b>Total NF Requested</b>	£2,940
<b>Project Start Date</b>	01-Apr-24
<b>Project End Date</b>	31-Mar-25
<b>Where will the project be based/delivered from?</b>	Thorney Close Action and Enterprise Centre

<b>Project Description</b>
<p>The project proposes to deliver an in bloom project and improving a community green space on the grounds of Thorney Close Action and Enterprise Centre and developing a growing project with local young people.</p> <p>We would like to install narrow trough planters at either side of the front door entrance which will be filled with flowering bedding plants. There is a seated area either side of the space where we propose to place the troughs where local residents and visitors to the centre can sit and enjoy the outdoor space. It is hoped that by placing plants and flowers in this area the overall appearance of the building will be improved and will provide an area which will be both visually and emotionally pleasant to everyone to uses the space. The troughs and plants will be maintained by Clean &amp; Green volunteers.</p> <p>We would also like to plant up a baron area of soil and weeds to the entrance area to improve the first impressions of entering the site. Thirdly we propose to purchase two bespoke planters from Bowes Railway and install these as raised planter vegetable garden beds within the centre grounds in an area identified to the side of the front car park. This will create a community garden / green space which local children and young people accessing the centre services will use to grow their own vegetables and plants. Community Opportunities currently runs a youth project two evenings a week in the centre where up to 50 local young people aged 11 - 16 regularly attend and an after-school club with 20 8-10 year olds attending. Several of the young people currently attending our groups have expressed an interest in growing their own food and learning how to care for plants.</p>

This project would give all the young people the opportunity to do this while learning about where food comes from, nutrition and how to take care of the environment. West Clean & Green is based at the centre and will be there daily to erect, install and maintain of the beds. The Clean & Green coordinator will provide information to young people and support and guide them while planting and growing their plants and vegetables. The proposed sessions would be staffed by existing resource in the Clean and Green team and West Youth activities team.

<b>Funding Budget</b>	
<b>Budget Heading/Item</b>	<b>Total Profiled NF</b>
2 x oblong planters	£ 400
Raised bed planters - 2 - from Bowes	£ 1,300
bedding plants	£ 600
bags of compost	£ 180
vegetable seeds	£ 160
garden tool sets - young people	£ 300
<b>NF Funding Total</b>	<b>£ 2,940</b>

		Overall Target Total
<b>CODE</b>	<b>Healthy Smart City Outputs</b>	
201	number of activities or services delivered that support residents to achieve a healthier lifestyle (mentally, physically, independently)	<b>2</b>
204	number of items purchased	<b>10</b>
205	number of NEW children and young people benefiting from this project	<b>30</b>
206	number of individual children and young people benefiting from this project- footfall	<b>100</b>
207	number of individuals signposted into Public/VCS services e.g. information, advice and guidance	<b>30</b>
208	amount of highway, cycle, pathways, greenspace improved by area (m2)	<b>50</b>
209	number of litter picks/community cleans up carried out	<b>8</b>
210	Number of bags of waste cleared from neighbourhoods	<b>40</b>
213	number of street furniture and / or equipment funded to repaired/replaced/renewed	<b>4</b>
<b>CODE</b>	<b>Vibrant Smart City Outputs</b>	
301	Number of activities or services delivered that support residents to become more resilient (financially)	<b>3</b>
306	number of volunteers participating	<b>8</b>
307	number of volunteer hours delivered	<b>60</b>

### **Recommendation – Approve**

The Neighbourhood and Community Board recommend Approval of this project, which delivers to a **Scheme of environmental improvements**

## Application 7

### ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS

<b>Project Details</b>	
<b>Project Title</b>	West In Bloom -
<b>Project Overview (max. 50 words)</b>	Deliver In Bloom project by planting bedding plants and flowers in the large kerbside wooden planters at Hipsburn Drive and Wearhead Drive, replanting hanging baskets and planters in St Annes ward and addressing dog fouling issues in Barnes Park.
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	£3,990
<b>Match Funding</b>	£ -
<b>Total NF Requested</b>	£3,990
<b>Project Start Date</b>	01-Mar-24
<b>Project End Date</b>	01-Mar-25
<b>Where will the project be based/delivered from?</b>	sites around the Barnes and St Annes wards

<b>Project Description</b>
<p>The project will fund bedding plants and the installation of dog waste bag dispensers and bags. The planting will be in the four large kerbside planters at Hipsburn Drive and the planter at Wearhead Drive, which were previously installed by the Clean and Green project in response to issues raised by residents regarding anti-social parking. This application will contribute to visually improving the area, with replanting across three seasons of the year. The second element of the application responds to feedback from Barnes Park users about the amount of dog waste left in the park, the Friends of Barnes Park would like to purchase two dog poo bag dispensers which would be mounted at the entrance to each of the two car parks (Ettrick Grove and Barnes Park Road) where the majority of park users access the facilities.</p> <p>The dispensers would be filled with poo bags which dog walkers could take free of charge and use to clean up after their animals. Members of the friends group would attend the park each week to re-fill the dispensers, ensuring there is always an adequate supply of bags. The bags chosen are bio-degradable, ensuring the impact of bags in the park to plants and wildlife will be minimal. This project will improve the Park (a community green space), cleaning up the area for park users and make it more accessible for all. The friends group would also like to purchase a pop up gazebo to help with the publicity and promotional work they do in the park.</p>



The group regularly host public events such as a dog show and seasonal themed celebrations (Christmas, Easter, Halloween).

A gazebo is a needed resource which would provide a portable space where friends members could be stationed, give out information and provide covered area for members to encourage others to come along and consider joining the friends group. The dog waste bag dispensers will be purchased and installed at locations across Barnes Park with bags being replenished through friends group volunteers and the clean and green project. The third element of the project will be to restock the planters and hanging baskets in the St Annes ward with relevant bedding plants, the planters across the seasons and the hanging baskets for the summer. Access to the baskets is by a cherry picker and the council environmental team will support with taking down the baskets and rehangng them.

<b>Funding Budget</b>	
<b>Budget Heading/Item</b>	<b>Total Profiled NF</b>
bedding plants, compost, nutrients	£ 1,000
dog waste bags dispensers - 10	£ 240
brackets, tools for install	£ 75
waste bags	£ 300
Pop up gazebo	£ 200
St Annes planter bedding plants, compost, nutrients	£ 1,000
St Annes hanging baskets	£ 500
Cherry Picker hire/access	£ 675
<b>NF Funding Total</b>	<b>£ 3,990</b>

		Overall Target Total
<b>CODE</b>	<b>Healthy Smart City Outputs</b>	
201	number of activities or services delivered that support residents to achieve a healthier lifestyle (mentally, physically, independently)	<b>14</b>
202	number of NEW adults enjoying a healthier lifestyle (mentally, physically, independently)	<b>16</b>
203	number of individual adults enjoying a healthier lifestyle (mentally, physically, independently)- footfall	<b>32</b>
207	number of individuals signposted into Public/VCS services e.g. information, advice and guidance	<b>60</b>
208	amount of highway, cycle, pathways, greenspace improved by area (m2)	<b>30</b>
<b>CODE</b>	<b>Vibrant Smart City Outputs</b>	
306	number of volunteers participating	<b>18</b>
307	number of volunteer hours delivered	<b>45</b>

**Recommendation – Approve**

The Neighbourhood and Community Board recommend Approval of this project, which delivers to a **Scheme of environmental improvements**

## Application 8

### ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS

<b>Project Details</b>	
<b>Project Title</b>	Purchase of an outdoor lockable-windowed noticeboard
<b>Project Overview (max. 50 words)</b>	The noticeboard would be positioned at the Leechmere Road entrance to the Tunstall Hills Local Nature Reserve and used to publicise the activities of the Tunstall Hills Protection Group as well as display information about the Local Nature Reserve.
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	£4,156
<b>Match Funding</b>	£3,456
<b>Total NF Requested</b>	£700
<b>Project Start Date</b>	01-Apr-24
<b>Project End Date</b>	01-Mar-25
<b>Where will the project be based/delivered from?</b>	The Tunstall Hills Protection Group would be responsible for maintaining the noticeboard and for keeping the information on it up to date. It would be situated at the Leechmere Road entrance to the Tunstall Hills Local Nature Reserve.

<b>Project Description</b>
<p>Last June three representatives of the Tunstall Hills Protection Group committee met Councillors Laverick and Tye at the Tunstall Hills Changing Rooms car park to discuss the problem of the old Changing Rooms. The discussion widened out and at that stage we raised the idea of an outdoor noticeboard to give people information about the Local Nature Reserve and about the activities of the Tunstall Hills Protection Group. Such a noticeboard would be best situated in the public eye at the Leechmere Road entrance to the Local Nature Reserve rather than in the car park itself, where there could be considerable risk of damage.</p> <p>The noticeboard might contain a map of the Local Nature Reserve and information about its geology and wildlife as well as the guided walks and litter-picks arranged by the Tunstall Hills Protection Group. In this position the noticeboard would also act as a signpost inviting people to explore the Local Nature Reserve, guiding visitors and potentially bringing the Reserve to the attention of many more people. The notice board would also help to attract new volunteers to take part in the organised litter picks.</p>

<b>Funding Budget</b>	
<b>Budget Heading/Item</b>	<b>Total Profiled NF</b>
Purchase of lockable outdoor noticeboard	£ 700
<b>NF Funding Total</b>	<b>£ 700</b>

		Overall Target Total
<b>CODE</b>	<b>Healthy Smart City Outputs</b>	
209	number of litter picks/community cleans up carried out	<b>12</b>
210	Number of bags of waste cleared from neighbourhoods	<b>48</b>
211	Issues reported via <a href="http://www.sunderland.gov.uk/report-it">www.sunderland.gov.uk/report-it</a>	<b>12</b>
<b>CODE</b>	<b>Vibrant Smart City Outputs</b>	
306	number of volunteers participating	<b>24</b>
307	number of volunteer hours delivered	<b>144</b>
308	number of residents participating in decision making	<b>16</b>
309	number of cultural, heritage and community events supported and delivered	<b>52</b>

### Recommendation – Approve

The Neighbourhood and Community Board recommend Approval of this project, which delivers to a **Scheme of environmental improvements**

### Application 9

#### ***ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS***

Project Details	
<b>Project Title</b>	Coronation Garden Completion
<b>Project Overview (max. 50 words)</b>	To complete the potato and vegetable with 4 raised beds, membrane and bark walk ways between the beds and raised beds down the side of the building for root vegetables to prevent mud slippage onto the paved pathways.
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	£ 10,995
<b>Match Funding</b>	£ 8,495
<b>Total NF Requested</b>	£ 2,500
<b>Project Start Date</b>	25-Mar-24
<b>Project End Date</b>	25-Jun-24
<b>Where will the project be based/delivered from?</b>	Pennywell Community Centre, Portsmouth Road, Pennywell, SR4 9AX

## Project Description

We plan to create with the help of residents of all ages a beautiful Hope Coronation garden at Community Centre. New beds and planting areas have been created ready to plant shrubs, flowers and growing vegetables • We shall have a celebration day to launch the project with food and soft drinks and family entertainment. Elder members of the community along with expert gardeners will come together to plant the new garden area. The seniors and experts will work with children from local schools and special needs units and pass on their skills in lots of intergenerational engagement. The older people will benefit from participating in this activity on a regular basis therefore reducing feelings of isolation and loneliness. The event will bring people together; many have not been to a communal event in this neighbourhood since Covid. We shall have a special opening ceremony for the new Hope Coronation Garden with a local dignitary opening it with the local media in attendance.

The intergenerational engagement is something we are really looking forward to seeing. Retired older members of our community have said that the garden project appeals to them and they have time to dedicate to the upkeep of the area. They are very happy to show the local children what gardening is all about! The children will learn a lot of practical skills in terms of planting; growing vegetables and generally maintaining the garden and then seeing the results. People also put forward the idea of having Kings and Queens rose bushes planted in their honour as a centre piece to the garden. Both activities in the project will bring people together and the garden will have local residents owning and taking pride in the community space.

Our engagement with that people who attend the Community Centre wanted a project garden that would leave a lasting legacy of the Coronation of the King. Creating a community garden is a fantastic way of having meaningful activity on a regular basis. Local people like Pennywell the thought of having a space they can come and relax or work; it will help with well being and mental health. We already have a fantastic network of over 400 families on our database. We will have no problem in mobilising people to help maintain the garden once its created. We envisage different groups working on the garden almost on a rota to keep it in great order. Children will learn about the food chain of planting vegetables and taking them to cook them to the dinner table and it will encourage healthier eating and even help low income families cook on a budget.

The garden was put on hold due to a health scare of Viv Watts. The garden has been dug where the flowers, shrubs and raised beds for a sensory garden. The concrete base for the bench has been completed. What was not taken into account was the raised beds for the potato and vegetable plot as well as additional raised beds for root vegetables to prevent mud slippage onto the paved pathways. The plot is prepared for the raised beds to be created. The sensory beds and flower plots are ready to plant.

(the planting of the shrubs, flowers and sensory garden can be planted Feb/March as no funding is needed)

The garden will be completed hopefully by the end of April with a celebration family event

Funding Budget	
Budget Heading/Item	Total Profiled NF
4 Vegetable planters made by The Box	£ 2,500
<b>NF Funding Total</b>	<b>£ 2,500</b>

		Overall Target Total
<b>CODE</b>	<b>Healthy Smart City Outputs</b>	
202	number of NEW adults enjoying a healthier lifestyle (mentally, physically, independently)	<b>50</b>
204	number of items purchased	<b>4</b>
212	number of existing / derelict assets improved	<b>1</b>

### **Recommendation – Approve**

The Neighbourhood and Community Board recommend Approval of this project, which delivers to a **Scheme of environmental improvements**

### **Application 10**

#### **ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS**

<b>Project Details</b>	
<b>Project Title</b>	The Enchanted Garden Project
<b>Project Overview (max. 50 words)</b>	We would like to create garden spaces within our allotment areas for the local residents and children's groups to grow fruit and vegetables, as well as delivering cookery classes from seed to plate. We plan on growing flowers to create hanging baskets to improve the look and feel of the local area.
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	£4,360
<b>Match Funding</b>	£ -
<b>Total NF Requested</b>	£4,360
<b>Project Start Date</b>	01-Apr-24
<b>Project End Date</b>	01-Apr-25
<b>Where will the project be based/delivered from?</b>	St Thomas Church Petersfield Road, Pennywell garden and allotment spaces.

<b>Project Description</b>
<p>The Enchanted Garden will be a garden for all of the community, we already have partnerships in place with Gentoo and Regen to help redevelop the garden spaces as well as a number of volunteers and members of the community with a wealth of knowledge who would like to establish plots of the land to grow fruit and vegetables, herbs, pollinators and flowers. We would like to create a beautiful peaceful garden in the heart of the Pennywell community for both adults and children to enjoy.</p> <p>We plan on sectioning the garden spaces for planters for the young children to plant there own seeds and develop cookery classes from seed to plate, as well as teenagers, adults and the elderly generation to form mentoring relationships between all generations. we have four Beehives in which we produce our very own local Honey and will be delivering Beekeeping</p>

classes in the spring we hope to educate people on the importance of local nature. We hope that by providing much needed garden and allotment spaces for the community this will create an improved sense of mental health and wellbeing, as well as up skilling opportunity's, by giving people the confidence to grow their own produce within the Enchanted garden we hope this will filter down to their own personal garden spaces and local area improving the look and feel of the community.

In the spring we will deliver hanging basket and planter workshops for people to take home and also distribute to other parts of the community, taking a sense of ownership and responsibility for the improvement of their own area. We have also built relationships with the local schools Christ College, Academy 360 and the Pennywell Early years we hope to deliver educational workshops around the Bee's and planting, our hope is to encourage children who are more practically minded to develop their own ability's and skills in an area that may not be offered within a school setting. We will also work with cultural spring in order to deliver sculpting sessions to use in the garden areas, and to work alongside our men's shed in which we will be launching in the spring. The Enchanted gardens will be used and enjoyed all year round, we will use the garden for our summer events such as Penny Fest and plan on turning the garden spaces into a winter wonderland for Christmas. The Enchanted garden will become a truly wonderful place within the heart of Pennywell a place that can change peoples perceptions on nature and the area of Pennywell we hope that this project will become a stepping stone for Pennywell to become once again a thriving place to live.

<b>Funding Budget</b>	
<b>Budget Heading/Item</b>	<b>Total Profiled NF</b>
Pots, compost, seeds, planters	£ 1,900
Refreshments for volunteers	£ 500
Protective clothing	£ 800
hanging basket materials	£ 200
promotional materials	£ 160
Child friendly equipment	£ 800
<b>NF Funding Total</b>	<b>£ 4,360</b>

		Overall Target Total
<b>CODE</b>	<b>Healthy Smart City Outputs</b>	
201	number of activities or services delivered that support residents to achieve a healthier lifestyle (mentally, physically, independently)	<b>28</b>
202	number of NEW adults enjoying a healthier lifestyle (mentally, physically, independently)	<b>145</b>
203	number of individual adults enjoying a healthier lifestyle (mentally, physically, independently)- footfall	<b>180</b>
204	number of items purchased	<b>50</b>
205	number of NEW children and young people benefiting from this project	<b>140</b>
206	number of individual children and young people benefiting from this project- footfall	<b>560</b>

207	number of individuals signposted into Public/VCS services e.g. information, advice and guidance	<b>80</b>
208	amount of highway, cycle, pathways, greenspace improved by area (m2)	<b>2500</b>
<b>CODE</b>	<b>Vibrant Smart City Outputs</b>	
305	number of NEW volunteers recruited	<b>85</b>
306	number of volunteers participating	<b>85</b>
307	number of volunteer hours delivered	<b>34</b>
308	number of residents participating in decision making	<b>115</b>
309	number of cultural, heritage and community events supported and delivered	<b>44</b>
310	number of visitors footfall at neighbourhood events	<b>850</b>

### Recommendation – Approve

The Neighbourhood and Community Board recommend Approval of this project, which delivers to a **Scheme of environmental improvements**

### Application 11

#### **ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS**

<b>Project Details</b>	
<b>Project Title</b>	Broadway Bloomers
<b>Project Overview (max. 50 words)</b>	Broadway Bloomers will improve the outdoor space at Broadway Community Centre. The project will see the instillation of troughs and planters which will contain colourful and sensory plants and flowers (including herbs) to improve the front and rear garden space. The project will also see the erection of a small potting house and bench for children to work from in the garden and a potting bench for volunteers.
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	£ 3,059
<b>Match Funding</b>	£ -
<b>Total NF Requested</b>	£3,059
<b>Project Start Date</b>	01-Apr-24
<b>Project End Date</b>	31-Oct-24
<b>Where will the project be based/delivered from?</b>	Broadway Community Centre, Cortina Avenue, Sunderland SR4

<b>Project Description</b>
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Active Families North East will work in partnership with Broadway Community Centre, Broadway Primary School and West Area Clean and Green project (Community Opportunities) to deliver the 'Broadway Bloomers' project. The project will see hanging baskets, planters and troughs installed in the front and rear gardens of Broadway Community Centre which will bring colour, texture and fragrance through the planting of bedding/sensory plants and herbs to improve the outside areas. We would also like to increase our communication with residents through the instillation of a noticeboard on the front of the building to keep local people updated about activities available to them in their community, and opportunities for them to get involved in activities and volunteering opportunities.

We understand the importance of learning about plants for children from a young age. It helps with sensory development because they feel textures like soil, seeds, flowers, wood and petals and they also have the opportunity to smell the amazing flower scents and all of the colourful petals and leaves. It also helps them to experience in 'real life' topics they may be learning in school such as seasons, life cycles, plant varieties, weather etc. It also allows children to connect with nature and learn how to take care of their environment and develops responsibility and patience.

To encourage children and young people to develop a love of the great outdoors, we will purchase a small potting house where children will work with Gail from West Area Clean & Green to plant herbs and sensory plants from seeds which will then be planted in pots in the gardens once they are established. We will encourage our Broadway Toddler group, to be engaged in the project as planting encourages babies and toddlers to make simple movements like crawling, lifting and digging which can improve their agility, balance and co-ordination and it will also support well-being for parents. The children will be encouraged to tend to their plants in the garden and will look after these.

We also propose to link with the local school, Broadway Primary and invite children into the community centre to undertake planting of bedding plants into troughs, hanging baskets and planters, we will invite local Barnes Councillors, to support with this project. Gardening helps keep children learning and involved all while keeping fit. Whilst planting staff will discuss plant growth cycles and children will feel a sense of accomplishment as they see their planters installed in the local area. Small wooden plant labels will be inserted into soil to enable children to look for their contribution as the plants are displayed in the gardens giving them a sense of pride and ownership.

Volunteering opportunities will be made available to local residents to support this project (advertised through our social media pages and through posters and leaflets) and to encourage them to look after their local area. We have recently started a group for residents living with dementia and we will encourage and support the attendees of the group to spend time in the garden and to help take care of general maintenance of the plants. We will host an open day for the local community to visit to attend the completed garden.

<b>Funding Budget</b>	
<b>Budget Heading/Item</b>	<b>Total Profiled NF</b>
Notice Board	£ 307
Children's potting shed & instillation	£ 1,603
Wooden Planters x 6	£ 360
Hanging Baskets x 4	£ 76
Hanging basket brackets x 8	£ 72
Water saving gel x 12	£ 47
Watering Cans x 2	£ 20

Children's gardening gloves x 4	£	25
Adults gardening gloves x 2	£	30
Hand Tools x 4	£	100
Compost x 8, Sensory plants & bedding plants	£	420
<b>NF Funding Total</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>3,059</b>

		Overall Target Total
<b>CODE</b>	<b>Healthy Smart City Outputs</b>	
201	number of activities or services delivered that support residents to achieve a healthier lifestyle (mentally, physically, independently)	<b>16</b>
203	number of individual adults enjoying a healthier lifestyle (mentally, physically, independently)- footfall	<b>100</b>
204	number of items purchased	<b>124</b>
205	number of NEW children and young people benefiting from this project	<b>60</b>
209	number of litter picks/community cleans up carried out	<b>3</b>
<b>CODE</b>	<b>Vibrant Smart City Outputs</b>	
305	number of NEW volunteers recruited	<b>5</b>
306	number of volunteers participating	<b>26</b>
307	number of volunteer hours delivered	<b>72</b>
308	number of residents participating in decision making	<b>6</b>

**Recommendation – Approve**

The Neighbourhood and Community Board recommend Approval of this project, which delivers to a **Scheme of environmental improvements**