

## Our community plan for New and Old Malden



The New and Old Malden Neighbourhood Plan has been developed based on the ideas and feedback given by our communities. The plan will help to inform decisions relating to the award of the New and Old Malden Neighbourhood Committee's Community Grants Programme.

We greatly value all feedback and we welcome new ideas from anyone who lives, works, studies or visits the neighbourhood.



## What's our vision?

To make New and Old Malden an even better place for all residents, visitors and communities by having high levels of engagement in community-driven activities which improve quality of life and promote health and wellbeing.

We want to hear from you if you have a project that helps us achieve our aims to:

- develop, promote and enhance the neighbourhood's parks, streets and open spaces and encourage more outdoor-based activity
- identify and implement innovative local projects which benefit and attract residents and businesses into the New and Old Malden area
- encourage the setting up of community hubs and forums, 'Friends of' groups and resident associations.

#### What's in the plan this year?

Through a number of engagement activities with residents, three key priorities for our Community Plan were identified: environment, communities and infrastructure. The plan focuses on supporting projects related to these priorities, including those which:

- support communities to create a cleaner and greener environment, while encouraging a sense of pride and ownership in the local community, especially relating to the management of public spaces
- enhance engagement and communications across the neighbourhood and between the council and different communities, as well as those which support art and cultural activities and allow for the provision of safe community space
- work to deliver a safer, cleaner and more accessible environment through community collaboration and initiatives such as Play Streets, School Streets and the promotion of Bikeability



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# Community grants in action





#### Decorating New Malden High Street

The Rotary Club of New Malden received £3,000 to support the installation of the vibrant hanging baskets which can be seen adorning New Malden High Street during the Spring and Summer months. From their erection in May until their removal in October, these eyecatching floral arrangements add colour and vitality to one of New Malden's most visited locations.

### A makeover for New Malden Station

Over £2,500 was granted to the New Malden Residents Association for the design and commissioning of the Lionel Stanhope mural at New Malden Station. Residents were invited to participate by casting their votes on one of four captivating designs inspired by the iconic station signage the artist is known for. The project has successfully brightened up the high street, with the winning design now being enjoyed by all on the enlivened approach to the station.

#### Improving accessibility at Dickerage Recreation Ground

Almost £50,000 was allocated for the Dickerage Recreation Ground Perimeter Pathway Project, with upwards of £19,000 of this coming from NCIL funding, as part of continued infrastructure improvements for the site. The project aims to construct a new circular connecting footpath which will expand the range of fitness and wellbeing options available to all members of the community, as well as provide year-round accessibility, particularly benefiting individuals with limited mobility.



#### How do I get involved?

You are eligible to bid for funding as a not-for-profit, voluntary or community organisation, or a faith group. If you'd like to talk to someone about grants, email **grants@kingston.gov.uk** 

For more information and to apply for a community grant, visit www.kingston.gov.uk/communitygrants