In our first year we have:

Promoted the use of public areas in South Ham through activities such as Picnic in the Park in Stratton Park and the Streetz Youth Festival in Russell Howard Park.

Developed the South Ham in Bloom initiative.

Established a community equipment bank at Westside Community Centre for activities such as gardening, litter picking, snow clearance and community events.

Continued to consult with local people and agencies on issues and services through community events, talking to people and representation at Neighbourhood Partnership. We are now in the process of planning next year’s community consultation.

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Worked with Parability to audit routes to community facilities and access to buildings in South Ham.

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Using your views and opinions as evidence, the following projects received funding to address the issues identified by you.
You said, we did...

- **You said:** We need better play facilities in local parks.
  - **We did:** Carried out an audit of equipment available in local parks and green spaces, will now propose our prioritised suggestions for improvement to the council.

- **You said:** There isn’t adequate access to litter bins in parks.
  - **We did:** Did an audit of litter bins available in local parks and green spaces and will now propose our prioritised suggestions for improvement to the council.

- **You said:** South Ham appears dirty. Parks need to be cleaner.
  - **We did:** Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council ‘deep cleaned’ parks and gardens.

- **You said:** We would like more information on age specific activities within South Ham.
  - **We did:** Established a community equipment bank at Westside Community Centre for activities such as gardening, litter picking, snow clearance and community events.

- **You said:** Activities for young people are required.
  - **We did:** Supported Westside Community Association in enhancing activities and infrastructure for young people. The weekly youth club sessions at Russell Howard Pavilion have been increased from two to three per week and young people now also have access to a Health Hub.

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