

Creative Recovery UPLIFT project







Summer Lane resident feedback:

We're starting a dog walking group on Thursdays which was my idea. We hope it will mean we meet new people (and dogs!) and think it will be a nice way of bring people together as well as making people feel safe on the estate. Hopefully it will mean more people will then want to join in more UPLIFT activities.

I've been coming to the meet up and sessions and am really enjoying it. It's so friendly and it's brilliant to get to know new people. We've all lived on the estate for so many years but didn't know anybody. You'd pass people on the street and walk straight past and not talk to each other. Now, you'll see people and say hello and have a chat.

In 3 words I would describe the UPLIFT project as amazing, brilliant and friendly.

Summer Lane Dog Walking group



Meet every Thursday for a chin wagging time with your neighbours and their dogs

STARTS THURSDAY 28th SEPTEMBER 5.30pm

Meet outside Creative recovery Centre on Prospect Street

For more info call Kat 07804 746140















Last night I had a little moment and thought to myself 'look at all those new faces that have come together.' It's been hard work to get people along, but it feels really nice to see the Summer Lane Uplift community grow.

I think that the more we spread the word about the creative things we do, more and more people will get involved.

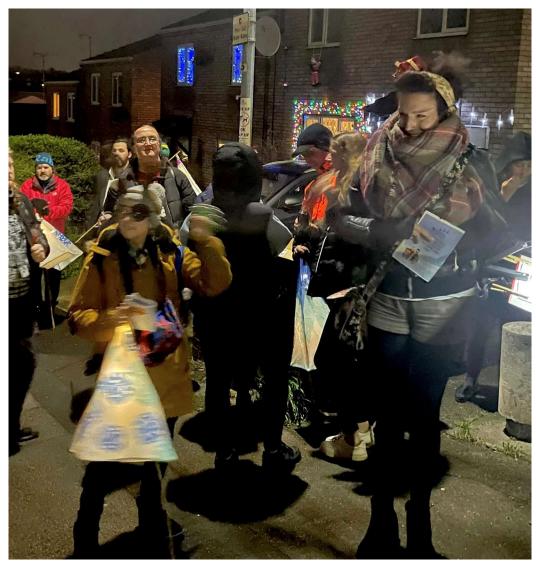
It's a difficult balance because we want to reach the people who are isolated but at the same time we have to be careful not to impose on them.

If I were to describe the UPLIFT project I would say it's really positive as it brings people together and is a safe space.

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Worsborough









"It's really nice participating in a group. There's a friendly atmosphere and it's welcoming. There's a variety of crafts - something for everyone.

Feeling comfortable helps with my mental health, I feel more positive afterwards. I'd definitely like to do more of this. It's important as I feel quite lonely at home, so coming and doing things like this is such an advantage."





















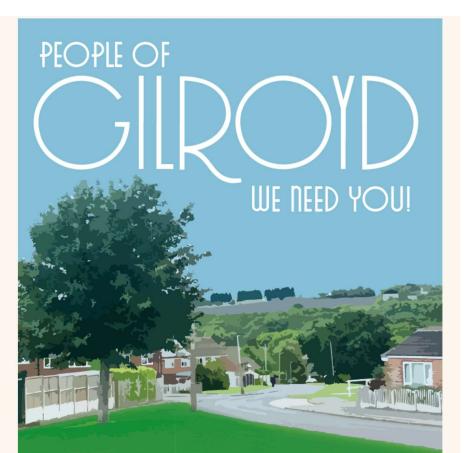
"I think it's relaxing. You can come and forget about your problems. You can get creative and meet new people - it's escapism! It gives me a boost. It's nice to not think about anything else. This is the only thing I've seen in the area. I'd like to do more of it for sure. It's good for socialising, everyone is friendly and welcoming."



It was lovely to get together and have a nice Christmas event in our local area. Not a lot goes on around here, so it's nice to be out socialising. The band were brilliant. It got me in the festive mood! More of this kind of thing would be very welcome

It was nice for my family to enjoy a night out together and not to have to worry about how much it costs. Everything is so expensive nowadays so to come out and be entertained by a brass band and have a nice meal without having to think about it was great. We loved the carols.

The Christmas tree looks absolutely beautiful. The decorations are very nice. Well done to everyone who made them.



What was life like on Gilroyd estate back in the day? What are your favourite memories? What makes you proud of your estate?

We are collecting stories, anecdotes, memories and photographs from people who have lived in Gilroyd. These will be documented in an archive that leaves a lasting legacy for the community.

To take part call Charlie on 07855 866 292 or email upliftartistdeveloper@gmail.com

Look forward to hearing from you!



This is an UPLIFT Central Area: Growing Creativity initiative based at Creative Recovery

Gilroyd and Dodworth

Participants who have attended creative workshops – 78 people

Participants who have attended UPLIFT events – 97 people

Workshops delivered – 16

Larger events delivered - 3

Volunteers engaged – 12 people

Practitioners engaged – 10 people

Reach on social media/ blogs – 400+

Challenges

- Hard to reach communities

- Recruitment of participants

- Referrals to engage the most isolated

- Time

Next Steps

Gilroyd and Dodworth -

ONE

Focussed local history project – recording the stories and memories of the local history group at Gilroyd resulting in a publication which documents the history of Gilroyd. Application to be made to the Ward Alliance, with help from Dawn to cover the cost of producing booklet

TWO

Wider focus which builds on the work done in Gilroyd but extends into Dodworth. Work with school communities to engage with families – linking older generation with younger generation Gather stories via pop ups on Dodworth High Street, on Gilroyd Estate, family workshops – written and audio recorded

Stories gathered from older residents given to schools/youth group to dramatize - possible filmed

Gilroyd/Dodworth through the ages - 60's/70's/80's/90's themed events

Create an exhibition which can include stories, photos, poems, film clips, audio clips

Exhibition launch at Community Centre/Dodworth Library

TIMESCALE

This project will be delivered between now and July. Engagement activities for the wider project will take place in April/June/July

Support reaching these communities will be very welcome

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Partnership with library to coincide with the opening of their new facility

Community tapestry

- Build on activities and links made in the community with Maltas Court, Elms Court, Barrow Club and Craft groups who currently meet at the library
- Consult with groups and library staff about creating a large community led artwork which can be displayed at the library
- This could possibly be a tapestry which is created by a number of groups. Sections would be made by various groups then and then put together as one large piece of art.
- Will celebrate Worsborough through embroidered imagery and quotes
- A textile artist would be commissioned to lead the workshops and help bring the piece together

Community Drama

• Run an 8 week drama project for adults at the library on a week day night. Create a 'Worsborough Soap Opera'

Event

• Unveiling of the art work, performance and refreshments

Workshops to take place in April, May, June. July

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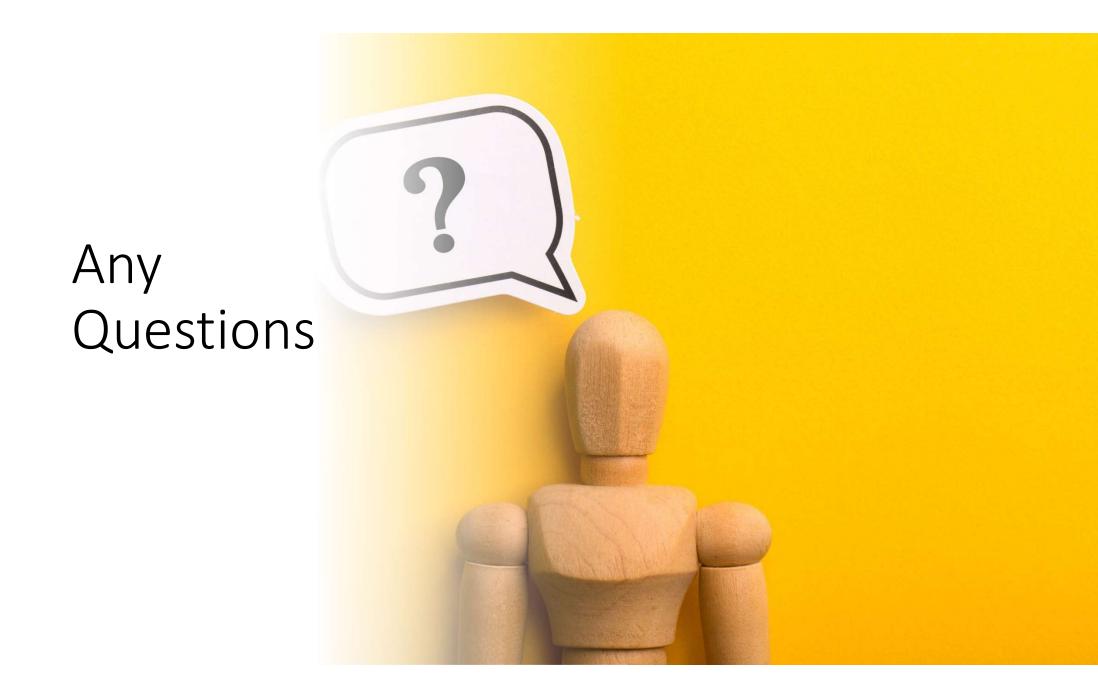
- - Regular group meet ups to keep community thriving
- Bulbs distributed by Summer Lane group to all residents with postcards photos shared on facebook page
- Hold another Campfire event to welcome in the Spring

Large Scale project

- Dependent on funding (Pride of Place Application pending)
- Design and make three stunning mosaics which would be a permanent fixture outside the community building with renowned mosaic artist, Coralie Turpin
- Public art will enhance the area and is vandel proof
- Co designed by the residents of Summer Lane.
- It will also bring the Creative Recovery community and local residents together
- Launch event celebration event where the public artwork is unveiled. Partners, stakeholders, participants and local community invited

AND/OR

- Street Art
- Large mural painted on the side wall of the beaticians at the gateway to the estate. Permission has been given for this to happen by owner but we need to look into costs and logistics. We may need to look for other sources of funding



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