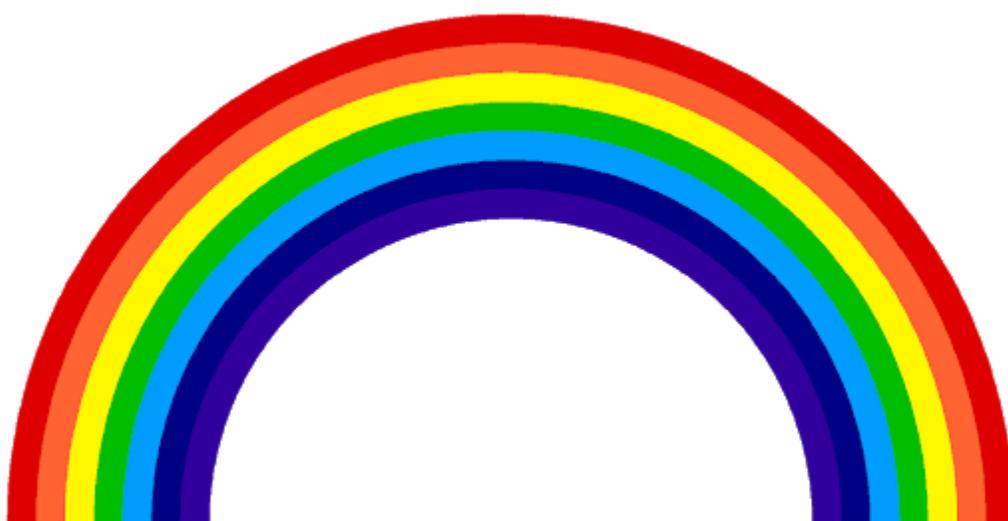


# Thank You

To all the key workers and citizens throughout this unprecedented crisis.



Our community's key workers kept our area running despite the risks the pandemic posed to themselves- whether they were doctors, nurses, porters, delivery drivers, cleaners, social care workers, bin crews or many others. The army of volunteers who delivered food and other supplies to residents in need or provided friendship and hope to those isolated, showed our ward and its people at their very best- you helped make the Covid-19 Food Hubs, such as The Involve and Hamara Centre, a success. From all of three of us- thank you.

## PANDEMIC SUPPORT

During the pandemic we have so far provided £14,000 of funding towards emergency food for residents via the Covid-19 Food Hubs, local charities and other groups. This is on top of the support given by the Council centrally. We will provide more if needed to help our communities recover. We have also provided thousands of pounds to support groups providing wellbeing activities for residents while they remained at home isolated. We have seen many new ideas and ways of working and we will carry these on to benefit our communities in the long term.

## STILL WORKING FOR YOU

During the pandemic we have all still been working hard for you. During this time, we have needed to support a huge number of residents with emergency advice and help due to the pandemic. This is in addition to a large increase in everyday casework as residents have had more time to report concerns. When things return to "normal", please keep reporting your issues to us. The sooner we know, the sooner we can help.



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# Despite the pandemic, we are still investing in improvements across the ward



## HUNSLET ESTATE GRASS

Two new benches and play markings have now been installed and we have now approved a quote for low maintenance bulbs to be planted (over 5,000) so we have colour throughout the year.

## HUNSLET MOOR

The planning application to upgrade the moors Multi-Use-Games-Area has now been submitted. We plan to complete the building work later this year. The new footpath over the moor has now been completed.

## ROWLAND ROAD PARK

Two new benches have now been installed and new litter bins are due to be added soon. Additional plans will be created to add more flower planting in the park for the benefit of residents and local wildlife.

## JACK LANE PLANTING

The new trees planned for the land off of The Oval will now be planted in November to give them the best chance of surviving. Bulbs will also be planted later this year so they are ready to bloom next year.

## CHURCH ST PLAYGROUND

Although work was delayed due to the pandemic, work to complete the upgrade has now restarted.

## WHITEHALL WATERFRONT

We are supporting the creation of a Pocket Park by the canal and are hopeful the funds will soon be allocated to create this much needed recreation space.

## MORE LITTER BINS

We have funded 22 more litter bins and we have started a campaign with businesses in the Stourton area to clean it up. This will mean cleaning staff can spend more time in residential areas - keeping your streets cleaner.

## NEW DEFIBRILLATORS



The pandemic delayed the installing of 15 life-saving defibrillators across Hunslet and Beeston Hill. These are now being installed at important community venues. We aim to have these life-saving devices installed within the next few months.

## PEPPER RD CROSSING



We won agreement to install a zebra crossing at the Parnaby Tavern in Hunslet Carr. This will improve the safety of pedestrians crossing the road to the bus stop and those walking to Hunslet Carr Primary School. It will be built by the end of August this year. We will always put public safety first and campaign for improvements to do so.

## EMERGENCY PARKING

Timblebeck residents in the city centre faced eviction due to dangerous cladding and fire issues with their parking bay. We had temporary permit parking bays created on Neptune Street so they could move cars there to prevent this. These bays will be in place by the end of August.



## WILDLIFE RETURNS

We will review under-used grass land to provide new areas for biodiversity improvements. This is on top of the tree sapling planting plans for this year. Supporting local wild life improvements is a priority for us.

## MORE ACTIVE TRAVEL

We are supporting efforts to increase cycling and walking across the ward. We are working to improve cycle routes which are overgrown or unsafe and to promote wider paths and new cycle lanes.

## LED LIGHTING UPGRADES

Hundreds of street lights are being upgraded with LEDs across the ward. These save the Council money, reduce Leeds carbon footprint and will improve driver alertness helping to make our roads safer.

## ILLEGAL SHORT LETTING

We have had more complaints about homes being used as short-let hotels in the City Centre and on Beeston Hill. This requires planning approval and Leeds Planning Services is ready to enforce against those breaking the rules and causing a public nuisance.

# Communicating: pandemic lessons

The virus has made us look at how we communicate with you. We will now be conducting a full review to make sure this is better than ever. Ideas include:

- Neighbourhood WhatsApp Broadcast Groups
- Hybrid physical and digital residents meetings
- Digital integration into letters and leaflets

We are working hard on new projects or local issues all year. [Scan this QR Code](#) or visit [facebook.com/hunrivlab](https://facebook.com/hunrivlab) for regular updates on all our work.



## GEORGE IV DEMOLITION

The old pub has now been demolished. The site will either be developed as housing only or a mix of housing and a new early years childcare centre. We will know later this year which it will be.

## ALCOHOL LICENCES: PUTTING RESIDENTS FIRST



We have objected to the "Winston's" application on Dewsbury Road for the prevention of crime. We also negotiated reduced hours and additional conditions for the proposed "The Canary" and "Department" at Leeds Dock, making sure we achieved a balance between reducing noise issues for residents, should the applicants be granted, and their benefit of their development. We will keep doing our best to encourage a vibrant community, but one where residents come first.

## COUNCIL BUDGET: BORIS - KEEP YOUR PROMISE

Leeds Labour Council has worked tirelessly over the course of the Coronavirus pandemic to support and protect the people and businesses of Leeds. This was at the significant cost of £200 million which the Council felt was right given the unprecedented nature of the pandemic. In March, the Tory government promised "to do whatever is necessary to support councils in their response to coronavirus". We are calling on them keep to this promise and ensure that Leeds has the funds to bounce back and continue fighting the coronavirus locally.



# USEFUL CONTACTS

We are here to help. The sooner we know about an issue, the sooner we can try and help.



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Noise Nuisance	0113 222 4402
Environmental Health	0113 222 4406
Roads and Pavements	0113 222 4407
Street Lighting	0800 032 5349
Council Complaints	0113 222 4405
Council Tax and Benefits	0113 222 4404
Textphone	0113 222 4410
Registrars	0113 222 4408
Crime Stoppers	0800 555 111
Police Non-Emergency	101
Emergency Services	999

## YOUR COUNCIL: WORKING DURING THE LOCKDOWN

Despite the lockdown and staff shortages, Labour-led Leeds City Council has been working hard to support the people and businesses of Leeds. Here are just a few of the things it has done during the lockdown.

**£1,612,817**

Paid to businesses via the Local Authority Discretionary Grant

**49,200**

Food parcels distributed over 15 weeks to 5 July.

**70%**

Of high school children using the Start in Leeds Online Careers guidance platform

**1,890 and 2500**

Grab bags and hampers of food are delivered each week to school children.

**1,140**

People supported into work and 62 into apprentices between April and June 2020

## WHAT ARE YOUR PRIORITIES?

What can we do to improve your area?

Name  
Number  
Email  
Address

Last election I voted  Labour  Tory  Green  Lib Dem  
I plan to vote  Labour  Tory  Green  Lib Dem

Contact me via  Telephone  Letter  Email

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