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<b>Report To:</b>	<b>Planning &amp; Environment Committee</b>	<b>Date:</b>	<b>2 June 2025</b>
<b>Contact Officer:</b>	<b>Paula Harrison</b>		
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Projects Update Report</b>		

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## 1. **Projects Update**

### ***Youth ATB Sessions***

- 1.1 The Friday sessions at Rivermead continue to run from 4.30-6.30 pm and are well attended. Currently it is attracting mostly secondary age young people.

### ***Street Art Murals***

- 1.2 The fourth subway mural is due to get underway with a small group of students from St Johns School participating in the project as part of school work experience and linked to their A Level projects. They will begin on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June to Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June. The subway selected is Mead Way to Rivermead due to the proximity to the Parish offices to assist/supervise. The theme is based on polaroids on one wall and if there is time, a floral collage on the other.

### 1.3 ***Street art/Graffiti wall***

The next project for the team will be the installation of some boards at Rivermead to promote as a street art/graffiti wall. There is the option to invite a street artist to open the wall with some demonstrations – and/or this could be a project for the summer holidays.

### ***Little Free Libraries***

- 1.4 We have created a little street library as a test project. A second hand unit has been repainted for this purpose. We are proposing to position it under the Shaw Village Centre clock tower. Once in place, it will be used as an example and residents will be invited to volunteer to host a free little library in their street. Checks will need to be done to ensure there is a suitable location that doesn't create an obstruction to pedestrians or cyclists.

### 1.5 ***Village Centre Planting***

Work will get underway at Shaw Village Centre to redistribute the existing bamboo to create a more uniform appearance in the planting spaces through the car park

### ***Corton Crescent***

- 1.6 The work to create a garden at Corton Crescent has been delayed by wet months in February and March and the backlog of plant improvement works by the team

dominating project time in April and May. We propose that we revisit this in late summer/September when it will be more suitable for planting.

**1.7 *Container Planting***

The Parish Team have begun the changeover from Winter bedding to Spring bedding plants. There are no new planters planned this year but work will take place on all existing ground level and brick planters to ensure they are well stocked.

**2. Costings/Financial Implications**

- 2.1 The projects detailed above have had their costs approved in previous minutes or have minor expenditure attached that will be within the delegated authority of the Clerk/Parish Manager.

**3. Recommendations**

- 3.1 That this Committee notes the information.





