

Holme Valley Parish Council

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Grant Evaluation

- The Parish Council likes to hear how community groups have used the money awarded to them
- As the money awarded is public money, we also need to make sure that the money has been spent appropriately and as agreed

Name of Organisation	Friends of Honley
Amount of award	£ 1,500
Purpose for which the grant was awarded (Maximum 20 words)	Outdoor seasonal planting in flower beds and containers

The Story of Your Project

- *Tell us what you did with the money awarded to you (Maximum 500 words)*
- *Attach a few photos*

Our project aim: To optimise our green spaces, by increasing planting, thereby reducing Co2 emissions through development of biodiverse spaces.

To help achieve this aim, 3 projects were in scope for 2025, namely:

1. Replant Honley park flowerbeds – this has been completed, for which details are below and photographs/invoices attached. All funding allocated was used for this element of our 2025 plan.
2. Develop our community garden planting scheme, by installing a new fence – this has been partly completed, through a generous donation from a local benefactor. This is not therefore detailed below.
3. Install seasonal colour throughout the village through planting of 37 locations throughout the village – this has been completed, using FoH monies raised from Honley Open Gardens in 2023. This is not therefore detailed below.

Summary: FoH adopted the 4 park flowerbeds, outside of Honley Park, from Kirklees Parks department, our goal being to transition from Kirklees Park's use of seasonal bedding to a drought tolerant scheme. We completed 2 beds in 2024, and with funding help from HVPC, this spring/summer 2025 we completed the 2

remaining beds. Thanks to HVPC funds and some monies from FoH, we were able to create beautiful seasonal colour, whilst

- reducing water usage – vitally important in our changing climate – and creating a biodiverse planting scheme
- supporting development of our soil structure by the “no-dig” approach, helping to lock carbon into the soil
- working with a great team of volunteers, including a specialist local garden designer and experienced gardeners, alongside fledgling gardeners, keen to learn, thereby helping us achieve our goal of education.

The design:

- The beds were very large at 85 sq. metres and in constant view, - almost like show gardens for Honley. We retained as many existing plants in the flower beds as possible to keep down costs and to optimize reusage in line with our principles. All plants chosen were locally procured/grown (from Knowl Park Nurseries), hardy in nature, and low maintenance possible
- We also included *flowering turf strips* to optimize biodiversity at the back of the borders from “Pictorial Meadows”, who partner with Sheffield university. The variety chosen comprised 29 types of hardy perennials.
- To keep costs down, but provide an impactful scheme, our local garden designer designed a scheme of 6 plants per sq. metre, but only purchased 4 due to budgetary constraints.
- Next step?: (a) Complete the design by installing the remaining plants per sq metre this autumn, and (b) install a rich mulch called “Muckers Mulch” from local company Tommy’s Top Soil. Both tasks will be completed using funds raised from our Honley Open Gardens event.

Our People: Phase 1 saw us create a small project team, led by a local garden designer, to design a scheme that would fit our aforementioned criteria and budget. Phase 2 was for him to lead a team of 4 physically fit volunteers to do the heavy lifting of plants, with those that could be reused, being transplanted, to Meltham recycling centre for re-composting. Phase 3 saw the team expand to include those volunteers who wanted to learn how to plant, or about species choice in different climatic conditions, alongside those with good planting skill. The scheme was completed over 2 months, and a series of planting sessions, which included refreshments and talks from our garden designer to ensure that our volunteers (of all ages) were looked after but also learnt something if they so wished. And finally phase 4 has been maintenance of the beds, undertaken by existing and new volunteers

The Story of Your Project contd.

What you achieved	
What were the benefits of your project? (Maximum 500 words)	<p>Creation of 2 large green spaces of green space, for the benefit of our environment and those who enjoy the space.</p> <p>The biodiversity of the space has already increased, with our monthly weeding and maintenance check identifying</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a large number of worms (previously completely absent from the soil) • 7 species of insect and 3 species of butterfly • Overall improvement in the soil quality, due to choice of plants, our no dig policy, and previous application of mulch in 2024 <p>The project has involved volunteers of different ages, social class and skill throughout the project, which has provided opportunities for social interaction, but also education and personal development. An intrinsic benefit has also been the pride that the volunteers show, evidenced in how well the new schemes have been maintained.</p> <p>Feedback from our community is that Honley Park is very heavily used, by shoppers, school mums, school kids and those who like to sit and just “be”. Feedback has shown that this high level of traffic is thoroughly enjoying the new scheme, and given that they’re designed to provide seasonal colour, this will be a benefit that will keep on giving</p>
Who benefited from the project? (Maximum 200 words)	<p>As indicated above, the scheme has benefited our volunteers, for whom benefits include a sense of pride of achievement, physical and social interaction</p> <p>Honley community feedback has been significant, especially from those in Burhouse social housing, many of whom come to sit in or walk through the park, stating that there are now new things to look at and insects to observe. Similarly, shoppers, adults and children of all ages, who walk through or use the park are enjoying the scheme.</p>
How many people benefited? (Maximum 200 words)	<p>Approximately 20 volunteers who designed and now maintain the scheme</p> <p>Local suppliers from whom we sourced plants and wild turf</p> <p>An estimate of 1,500 who regularly use our Park and see the scheme</p>
Was the project inclusive? How were marginalized groups (elderly, disabled, young people etc) able to participate?	<p>We attracted volunteers of all ages and abilities, with our oldest and youngest gardeners being 84 and 18 yrs respectively. We ensured that those less physically able, could get involved by supporting them with short sessions, appropriate tools and regular refreshments. For those unable to physically participate, we accessed their knowledge of gardening, and knowledge sharing.</p>
Reflecting on climate change, did the	<p>We transitioned 2 flower beds from highly intensive water dependent beds, to a drought tolerant scheme</p>

project address any aspects of the climate emergency? How?	<p>We chose plants to provide seasonal nectar/food for wildlife</p> <p>We adopted a no dig policy to help absorb Co2 emissions</p>
Did you achieve what you were trying to do? (Maximum 200 words)	<p>We exceeded our expectations, as originally, we hoped to fund just 1 of the 2 flowerbeds. Thanks to effective design, and competitive pricing from local growers, we have completed both beds</p> <p>Our aims of increasing green, biodiverse spaces, whilst educating our community as to the benefits of this approach, has been achieved</p> <p>Our volunteer involvement has been exemplary, with these very large flower beds, a very noteworthy achievement of their dedicated, to be further enjoyed by many people who live or visit our village</p> <p>We are also proud that all plants and materials chosen, were locally grown/sourced, thereby also supporting our local economy</p> <p>And finally, to see the immediate change in soil quality and arrival of new wildlife to the beds has been a joy to behold</p>

Finance and Expenditure

We ask groups to retain their receipts and invoices, and to keep a record of what they've spent for auditing purposes

Grant awarded	£ 1,500
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Date	Description of expenditure (use another sheet if necessary)	Amount
		£
		£
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		£
		£
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		£
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	Total expenditure	£
	Amount of grant remaining (if any)	£ 0

Any amount of the award unspent may have to be returned to the Parish Council

Person completing this form		Date	23/8/25
Position in organisation	Chair, Friends of Honley		

Send the completed application form, together with all supporting documentation, preferably in PDF format to: clerk@holmevalleyparishcouncil.gov.uk

Alternatively, you can send the paperwork to: Holme Valley Parish Council, The Civic, Huddersfield Road, Holmfirth, HD9 3AS.

Have you considered inviting a Member of the Parish Council to come and see your project and how your grant money has been spent? Why not give the Parish Council a ring and arrange a visit 01484 687460?











HONLEY IN BLOOM

INVOICE 1784

08 August 2025

Payment: 7 Days

Payment due by 15 August 2025

Quantity	Details	Unit Price (£)	VAT	Net Subtotal (£)
10 Products	6 pack geraniums gallery cafe	2.08	20%	20.80
15 Products	Surfinia midicare	1.04	20%	15.60
Product	6 pack geranium	2.08	20%	2.08
3 Products	Compost magdale	7.08	20%	21.24
75 Products	Surfinia	1.04	20%	78.00
6 Products	6 pack geraniums	1.04	20%	6.24
7 Products	bearings planters	47.00	20%	329.00
5 Products	Station road planters	52.00	20%	260.00
Product	Clear well bed	20.00	20%	20.00
2 Products	Compost	7.08	20%	14.16
Product	Planting well	139.17	20%	139.17
Product	Plants for flower beds, 4x salvia, 4 x penstemon, 8 x heliocrisum, 8 x carnation	68.33	20%	68.33
3 Products	Compost library	7.08	20%	21.24
6 Products	6 pack geranium library	2.08	20%	12.48
90 Products	Surfinia	1.04	20%	93.60
2 Products	Compost viali	7.08	20%	14.16
5 Products	6 pack geraniums viali	2.08	20%	10.40
60 Products	Surfinia vialu	1.04	20%	62.40
30 Products	6 pack geraniums pub	2.08	20%	62.40
3 Products	Compost pub	7.08	20%	21.24
45 Products	Surfinia pub	1.04	20%	46.80
Product	Pair of wrap baskets well	114.00	20%	114.00
Product	Scenic Planter planted up and maintained	127.00	20%	127.00
Service	Maintain viali opticians planters	42.00	20%	42.00
Service	Maintain switalski window box	16.00	20%	16.00
43 Products	Summer hanging baskets	59.50	20%	2,558.50
2 Products	Ex display planters for taylors	225.00	20%	450.00
10 Products	wall baskets fitted to bus shelter	5.00	20%	50.00
10 Products	bus shelter half rounds planted with begonia	35.00	20%	350.00
2 Products	Three tiered planters	80.00	20%	160.00

	Net Total	5,186.84
	VAT	1,037.38
	GBP Total	£6,224.22

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Pledge | Order

#SO828
04/03/2025

Bill To

TOTAL

£1,258.62

Payment Method		PO #	Shipping Method	Ship Date	
				04/03/2025	
Quantity	Item			Rate	Amount
30	Purple Haze Turf (1-50m)			£32.00	£960.00
1	Turf Haulage & Delivery			£88.85	£88.85
				Subtotal	£1,048.85
				Tax Total (%)	£209.77
				Total	£1,258.62

Please make payment to: Sort code: 08-92-99 Account number: 69790623

Ship To:

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CASH & CARRY INVOICE

UK Plant Passport 22129

VAT No. 185-2937-31
Proprietor: [REDACTED]

Invoice Cash & Carry
To:
Page: 1 of 2
Customer A/C: ...
Invoice Ref: [REDACTED]

Deliver Cash & Carry
To:

Invoice No: 029813
Invoice Date: 31/03/2025

Order: 034247 Delivery Note: 034843

Description			Qty	Price	Sub-Total	Vat	Total
Your Ref: Barry Kellington							
A Cornus sang. 'Midwinter Fire'	30-40cm	5L	14	8.000	112.00	22.40	134.40
UK Plant Passport / B 22129 / C 158340 / D GB							
A Aster 'Little Carlow'		2L	12	3.750	45.00	9.00	54.00
UK Plant Passport / B 22129 / C 183829 / D GB							
A Astrantia major 'Roma'		2L	12	4.250	51.00	10.20	61.20
UK Plant Passport / B 22129 / C 184582 / D GB							
A Bergenia cordifolia 'Rotblum'		2L	12	3.750	45.00	9.00	54.00
UK Plant Passport / B 22129 / C 178050 / D GB							
A Heuchera 'Palace Purple'		2L	12	3.750	45.00	9.00	54.00
UK Plant Passport / B 22129 / C 184827 / D GB							
A Lavandula ang. 'Hidcote'		2L	12	3.750	45.00	9.00	54.00
UK Plant Passport / B 22129 / C 184236 / D GB							
A Phlox sub. 'Kimono'		2L	12	3.750	45.00	9.00	54.00
UK Plant Passport / B 22129 / C 180571 / D GB							
A Prunella Bella Violet Blue		2L	12	3.750	45.00	9.00	54.00
UK Plant Passport / B 22129 / C 177987 / D GB							
A Spiraea japonica 'Anthony Waterer'	30-40cm	2L	12	3.750	45.00	9.00	54.00
UK Plant Passport / B 22129 / C 157740 / D GB							
A Verbena bonariensis		2L	12	3.750	45.00	9.00	54.00
UK Plant Passport / B 22129 / C 183830 / D GB							
A Veronica Long.'Blauriesin'		2L	12	3.750	45.00	9.00	54.00
UK Plant Passport / B 22129 / C 177672 / D GB							
A Veronicastrum virg. 'Fascination'		2L	12	4.250	51.00	10.20	61.20
UK Plant Passport / B 22129 / C 183232 / D GB							
A Salvia nemorosa 'Caradonna'		2L	12	3.750	45.00	9.00	54.00
UK Plant Passport / B 22129 / C 182540 / D GB							
A Hebe 'Mrs Winder'	20-30cm	2L	12	3.750	45.00	9.00	54.00
UK Plant Passport / B 22129 / C 182680 / D GB							
A Geranium macrorrhizum		2L	12	3.750	45.00	9.00	54.00
UK Plant Passport / B 22129 / C 180695 / D GB							
A DELIVERY CHARGE			1	40.000	40.00	8.00	48.00
UK Plant Passport / B 22129 / C 177307 / D GB							

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Description	Qty	Price	Sub-Total	Vat	Total
Agastache hyb. 'Black Adder' <small>UK Plant Passport / B 22129 / C 183222 / D GB</small>	2L 10	3.750	37.50	7.50	45.00
Geranium 'Rozanne' <small>UK Plant Passport / B 22129 / C 184036 / D GB</small>	2L 10	5.250	52.50	10.50	63.00
Astrantia major 'Roma' <small>UK Plant Passport / B 22129 / C 184582 / D GB</small>	2L 8	4.250	34.00	6.80	40.80
Lavandula ang. 'Hidcote' <small>UK Plant Passport / B 22129 / C 184236 / D GB</small>	2L 10	3.750	37.50	7.50	45.00

Total exc. VAT: (GBP)	955.50
VAT: (GBP)	191.10
Total payable: (GBP)	1146.60

PLEASE MAKE PAYMENT IN FULL TO;

