

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund

Template for Ideas Gathering

Name of Area Partnership: SHETTLESTON

From: Carmyle Re:Run

	Description of work required for Estimate - Please provide as detailed a description as possible including type of work required, number and type of items required/special considerations or known issues etc	Location of Work required for Estimate - Please provide a detailed description of the EXACT location (Street Name & Number) of work required:
C1	<p>Orchard Park Upgrade Theme: Intergenerational space + tackling isolation (our survey reported 42% concerned about loneliness, 78% lack of things to do).</p> <p>+ Additional seating clusters (not just lone benches) - 4 seating clusters total, each cluster = 2 benches facing each other + 1 central picnic table</p> <p>Locations: Edge of old tennis courts: overlooks activity space (events, games) Quieter corner (tree-lined edge / boundary area): for older residents / quieter use Mid-park along main path: break/rest point for walkers</p> <p>+ Accessible picnic tables - have asked for these in the Let's Grow Fund app – 3 potentially next to the raised beds area (see map of area with proposed locations that we created for the Let's Grow fund also PTU for tennis courts and planting garden area.</p> <p>+ Low-level solar lighting Locations: Solar bollard lights Along main path through Orchard Park Around event space perimeter Near entrance points</p> <p>+ Small event structure – A permanent, multi-use outdoor community space on the footprint of the former tennis courts, designed for year-round use. This will include: + Integrated fixed structure (covered canopy / pavilion-style) Area covered shelter Open-sided for visibility and accessibility Weather protection for small events, instructors, performers or equipment</p>	<p>Orchard Park, Gardenside Avenue, Carmyle (old tennis courts and surrounding area)</p>

Defined edge treatment

Low seating walls or timber edging to frame the space
Helps create a “zone” rather than an open, undefined area

Optional ground markings

Painted multi-use markings for:
Games (hopscotch, mini circuits, kids activities)
Fitness zones
Event layout guidance

Location:

Old tennis courts area within Orchard Park Positioned centrally within that space to: Maximise visibility
Allow safe circulation around it
Connect directly to surrounding seating and pathways

How it will function all year round:

This is not just an event space — it becomes a daily-use community asset:

Everyday Use:

Informal seating and meeting point Space for young people to gather safely Walking group rest point
Outdoor classroom-style space for schools/community groups

Organised Activities:

Fitness classes (yoga, dance, light exercise)
Children’s games and activity sessions Small workshops and community sessions

Events:

Seasonal events (Easter, summer, winter activities)
Small performances or demonstrations Community fundraisers and pop-up stalls

Weather protected use:

The canopy ensures activity can still happen in poor weather, extending usability beyond summer months

Why this works:

Moves away from temporary event setup and creates permanent infrastructure
Supports Carmyle while the community centre remains closed
Provides a visible, usable hub within the park
Encourages consistent, repeat use, not just one-off events

+ Electrical point provision - installed for future community use (events, lighting, small equipment)
1–2 lockable outdoor electrical supply points Location: edge of event space (tennis court area)

	<p>+ Modest covered bandstand-style structure Location: bottom of orchard Park at River Road, Carmyle</p> <p>+ Wildlife/biodiversity strips, planted strips (wildflowers / low maintenance planting) Locations: alongside the pathway that runs along through the park, along park boundary edges, near walls or unused grass edges</p> <p>Why this works: + Addresses lack of community space (98% demand) + Works without a community centre + Supports future community activities + Encourages older residents to stay longer in park + Enables small community events</p>	
C2	<p>Safe Routes & Play Access Package Theme: Child safety + active travel This bundles: + Upgrade/replace equipment in Buckingham Park + 1 inclusive swing + 1 multi-play unit (climb/slide) + Zebra crossing at top swing park – Carmyle Avenue + Traffic calming markings – Gardenside Ave/Carmyle Ave + Signage to show roads are 20mph - Gardenside Ave/Carmyle Ave</p>	Buckingham Park Swing Park, Carmyle Avenue
C3	<p>Intergenerational Play & Movement Zone Combine: + Extend baby swing park + Add accessible swing (inclusive) + Add outdoor gym equipment for adults/elderly + Add low-impact fitness equipment + Sensory play elements</p>	Small swing park at the bottom of Carmyle Avenue
C4	<p>Intergenerational Play Trail Instead of traditional equipment, you create a loop within Orchard Park, next to the old tennis courts featuring: + Low balance beams (kids + adults) - 4 beams along path edges (spaced out) + Gentle stepping pods – 6–8 pods, clustered in 2 areas + Interactive boards – 3 boards near seating location + Seated rest points every 30–50 metres – 5 benches/several stool type seats every 30-50m along the path</p>	Orchard Park, Gardenside Avenue, Carmyle

	<p>+ Simple fitness markers – 6 simple stations eg stretch, balance, step</p> <p>“Talk prompts” boards (conversation starters) 3 signs near seating: Eg. “Ask someone about their favourite memory”, “What makes Carmyle home?”</p> <p>Why this works:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + It encourages movement for elderly + It gives kids something structured + It encourages parents/grandparents walking with kids 	
C5	<p>Carmyle Gathering Circle & Community Events Space A permanent space designed to provide an accessible, welcoming outdoor area where residents of all ages can come together.</p> <p>Our survey reported 98% stating that Carmyle needs a community space where people can take part in activities. 78% identified a lack of things to do locally, and 42% expressed concern about isolation and loneliness.</p> <p>What the Proposal Includes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Semi-circular permanent seating designed to encourage conversation – seating for 20–25 people total (approx. 5–6 curved benches) + Central hardstanding area suitable for small gatherings and activities – Orchard Park, River Road + Low-level lighting to extend safe usability in darker months - Orchard Park, Gardenside Avenue/River Road + A modest covered band stand/structure or shade feature – bottom of Orchard Park, River Road + A permanent community noticeboard – top of Orchard Park, Gardenside Avenue + Provision for future electrical access to support small events – tennis court area, River Road, Orchard Park 	Orchard Park, Gardenside Avenue/River Road