

# THE SHEFFIELD GREEN CITY WARD



CITY CENTRE, HIGHFIELD AND KELHAM ISLAND

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## A BRIGHTER PLACE TO LIVE

Street art is making Sheffield city centre and Kelham Island a brighter place to live. The latest additions are another work by **Florence Blanchard** on the side of **Atkinson's** on the Moor and new pieces in **Kelham Island** by **Ethan Lemon**.

The 3 Green councillors used their resources to commission new works, talking to local artists, community groups and businesses. They are also supporting the Lick of Paint festival in September, which brings in artists nationally and from abroad. And a new piece by **Kid Acne** is planned for the old **Cole's / John Lewis** building.

Green councillors believe good street art improves the look of the area, deters graffiti and supports local artists to create unique pieces of work.

[www.lickofpaintfest.com/](http://www.lickofpaintfest.com/)



Top: Florence Blanchard's huge mural at Holy Green

Above: Douglas Johnson in front of Ethan Lemon's new work in Neepsend

Below: Kid Acne's new design for Cole's car park on Cross Burgess St



## WELCOME TO CITY WARD!



A big welcome to City Ward from your 3 Green councillors if you have recently moved here! We represent you on Sheffield City Council and help with local issues like bins, traffic, housing, crime and litter, as well as big issues like poverty and climate change. We do casework on planning applications to get the right balance between vibrant businesses and residents' needs for a night's sleep.

**Please get in touch if you have any questions for us.**

**Don't forget to register with a local doctor and to vote.**

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## COMMUNITY MEAL AT DUCHESS RD

Councillors have funded and supported (and eaten at) a new community meal in Highfield.

**Maia Salman-Lord**, the local resident who organised the session, says, "Every Tuesday at 5.30pm, you can come down to Duchess Rd community centre for a freshly-cooked meal by trained volunteers. It costs £2/adult + £1/child and is open to everyone. It's a good way to get people from all walks of life to meet each other."



Maia Salman-Lord at Duchess Rd Community Centre



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# KELHAM PRIDE



For the second year, **Kelham Island** hosted a fabulous Pride event. Run entirely by the community, ward councillors were very happy to help with funding and contacts so the event went as smoothly as it did. Massive thanks to everyone who put so much work in. We look forward to next year's event.

*Photo: Douglas at Kelham Pride*

## LOVE KELHAM



*Yellow Arch is the best venue for council meetings!*

Cllr Douglas Johnson has been supporting bars & pubs in **Kelham Island and Neepsend**.

They formed a new business group after being hit hard with rising costs and massive increases in national insurance and business rates. The businesses are supporting each other with collective buying and promoting local events and produce.

**Please spend your money in local businesses!**

Councillors chose small business as the topic for their "Local Area Committee" meeting, which was held at Yellow Arch on Burton Road.

## EARLY MORNING DRINKING

Street drinking is a big problem in the city centre. Your councillors often comment on proposals for new off-licences and pubs. Whilst we support new independent businesses, we have worked to stop off-licences selling alcohol before 8am.

This is a key time to limit purchases of alcohol, especially for people who have been sleeping rough.

*Cllr Ruth Mersereau*



## AD FREE SHEFFIELD

Green activists have been campaigning against the scourge of advertising, which big businesses use to encourage us to buy things we don't need and to squeeze out local shops. The digital displays can each use as much power as several homes.

We were delighted to see a display board removed from a dangerous position in the **Sheaf St cycle route**, after many years. **Cllr Ruth Mersereau** has had a lot of success objecting to planning applications for dozens of new digital display boards that would clutter up our streets if unchallenged.



*At last this dangerous obstacle has gone*

## RIVER CLEAN-UP

Greens joined the River Stewardship Company, council staff and volunteers for a day cleaning litter, rubbish and vegetation from the River Don. The 3 Councillors had also worked with police and council staff to address anti-social behaviour, drug-dealing and blocked walkways near North Bank and the Wicker arches.

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