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Pin Green Neighbourhood Investment

Neighbourhood Community Planning has been introduced to Pin Green to give the community an opportunity to come together and work in partnership with SBC and local partners such as; ward councillors, community groups, schools, businesses, and the Police.

In Pin Green this process began with the redevelopment of Archer Road Neighbourhood Centre which involved; consulting with local residents, services and businesses via residents groups, events and ward walkabouts, on their thoughts, views and wishes for the future. As a result, the community centre and the local pub were demolished and regenerated to provide housing, and new business units. Pin Green Community Centre was then relocated to Hampson Park and renamed Hampson Park Community Centre. Key events following this were:

- Friends of Hampson Park community group was set up by local residents to help maintain and enhance Hampson Park as a green and pleasant place to visit by:
- Young people worked closely with council officers, ward councillors, Friends of Hampson Park, Pin Green residents group, and neighbourhood Police to design and locate a new skate park within Hampson Park.
- A community café in the heart of Hampson Park, located within the community centre serves, the centre's user groups, members of the public using the park, including dog walkers, skate park users, and events that take place. Volunteers alongside paid staff work in the café which is being developed over time to take into account its customer's needs.

Additionally, Neighbourhood Wardens have been introduced to be the eyes and ears of the community and report issues and ensure these are actioned – as a direct result of Pin Green Neighbourhood Warden patrols and attendance at residents' meetings:

- Waste disposal issues in communal building have been tackled and more receptacles have been put in place for residents to use.
- Parking concerns such as nuisance and abandoned vehicles are being highlighted and actioned in partnership with other agencies.
- 3 fly tipping penalties have been issued in the past three months



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