## How can I help?

Everyone should feel they can be part of a Community Plan and there is much to be gained personally from volunteering, including meeting like-minded people and making new friends.

There are several ways in which you can become engaged and help support other volunteers, whatever your age. Your participation can be as little as an hour or two, or as much as you wish. You can help by:

- offering to lend a hand when you can at one of the action days or events
- help at the Parish Carnival by setting up or helping out on the day
- volunteering at and / or using our
  Village Shop to help sustain this fabulous community facility on our doorstep
- supporting fundraising events held by the Community Hall, Village Shop, Scouts Centre or Pre-school
- supporting the Friends of Hollinfare Cemetery volunteers with gardening
- attending future Community Plan Open Evenings or events or meetings

#### How do I find out more?

Community Plan meetings are held 4 times per year, are open to the public and are very welcoming. Contact the Chair (below) to find out the date of the next meeting.

You can also keep up to date with what the Community Plan Group is planning and doing by passing on your email or phone details to the Secretary (below). That way you can be kept informed of upcoming action days, events and meetings.

You can also look out for notices placed on the community notice boards located outside the Village Shop in Hollins Green, Glazebrook Village Green and churches in Glazebrook and Rixton.

Remember to check out the community website www.rixtonwithglazebrook.net and the Parish newsletters.

Rixton-with-Glazebrook Community Plan Group can also be followed on Facebook.

Community Plan contacts: Secretary - jill.eaves@hotmail.co.uk Chair - Andy Eaves - 07368 970112

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# Rixton-with-Glazebrook Community Plan



**Getting Involved** 

### What is a Community Plan?

A Community Plan is supported by both national and local government and is a recognised and valuable way for local people to have an opportunity to have a say in the future of their community.

The Rixton-with-Glazebrook Community Plan was first produced in 2013, based on the views and wishes of local residents, businesses and facility users, following surveys and public consultations. The Plan is reviewed regularly and any new issues that arise are considered for future action.

The Community Plan Group is made up of local residents, including Parish and Borough Councillors, who volunteer their time, skills and experience to achieve the various objectives within the Plan thereby improving the Parish for all to enjoy.

The Group are going strong but can always use more helping hands to carry out the actions within the Plan!

### Where are we today?

Due to the actions of parish volunteers over the past years, we can now all enjoy:

- a tidier and more floral parish
- a Community Village Shop
- a Village Carnival
- improved access and guidance to our footpath network
- weekly Community Coffee sessions in the refurbished Community Hall
- better sharing of information and events via community notice boards, social media, Parish newsletters and the community website:

www.rixtonwithglazebrook.net

The above changes have meant that residents have come together, through volunteering, which has resulted in an enhanced sense of community.

The above improvements could not have been achieved without the kind financial assistance and support from local charity Hamilton Davies Trust, Rixton-with-Glazebrook Parish Council, Rotary Club of Irlam, Warrington Borough Council and other funding bodies.

#### More volunteers are needed!

If more volunteers lend a hand, whether for the occasional few hours or more, we can sustain and build on what has been achieved so far. Together we could:

- further improve the look of the Parish by supporting action days such as litter picks, bulb planting and sign cleaning
- support plans to provide more paths, benches, equipment and recreational facilities on our Village Green for both our younger and our older residents
- take action to help improve our overgrown pavements to make them safer to walk on
- help support the sustainability and growth of our community facilities e.g.
   Village Shop, Community Hall and Scout Centre
- support initiatives to help reduce the amount of traffic through the Parish
- strengthen communications via the use of social media to share information