



NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL
BULWELL AND BULWELL FOREST AREA COMMITTEE

Date: Wednesday, 22 February 2017

Time: 5.30 pm

Place: Bulwell Riverside, Main Street Bulwell, Nottingham NG6 8QJ

Councillors are requested to attend the above meeting to transact the following business

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MINUTES of the meeting held at Bulwell Riverside, Main Street Bulwell, Nottingham NG6 8QJ on 30 November 2016 from 17.34 - 19.25

Membership

Present

Councillor Ginny Klein (Chair)
Councillor Alan Clark (Joint Vice Chair)
Councillor John Hartshorne (Joint Vice Chair)
Councillor Jackie Morris

Absent

Councillor Eunice Campbell
Councillor Nick McDonald

Community Representatives (✓ indicates present)

✓	Reginald Knowles	Bradford Street Allotments Association
✓	Colin Bones	Bulwell Churches Together
✓	Joseph Zulu	Covenant Ministries
✓	Paul Bakajsa	Rise Park Action Group
✓	Paul Jackson	Royal British Legion - Bulwell
	Ros Yousouf	HART TRA/Bulwell Bogs
✓	Robin Goodwin	Top Valley Tenant and Resident Association
	Doreen Carruthers	Forest Park Neighbourhood Watch
	Gillian Slack	Ravensworth Methodist Church
✓	Rev. David Gray	St John's Church
	Lynn Beadsworth	The People's Choice
✓	David Norman	My Sight Nottinghamshire
✓	John Hancock	Coventry Road Estate Tenant and Residents Association

Colleagues, partners and others in attendance:

Sgt Nev McGeehan	- Nottinghamshire Police
Alison Bingham	- Bulwell Academy
Suki Shergill	- Neighbourhood Development Officer (Bulwell Ward)
Celia Knight	- Neighbourhood Development Officer (Bulwell Forest Ward)
Keith Kelly	- Enterprise Car Club
Jennie Maybury	- Transport Strategy
James Tilford	- Park Development Officer
Colin Eley	- Sport and Leisure Partnership Development Officer
Darryl Paxford	- Senior Community Protection Officer
Catherine Ziane-Pryor	- Governance Officer

30 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Eunice Campbell – other Council business
Councillor Nick McDonald – other Council business
Ros Yousouf
Doreen Carruthers

Eileen Stacey
Heidi May
Elira Mano

31 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

None.

32 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 7 September 2016 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

33 BULWELL ACADEMY APPRENTICESHIPS

Alison Bingham, Director of Business and Enterprise at Bulwell Academy, delivered a presentation on the work of the Academy to ensure young people are work/study ready by the time they leave school.

Partnered with the Thomas Telford group of schools (one of the top performing in the country), Bulwell Academy is a purpose built building which merged the former schools of Henry Mellish and River Leen and provides an environment which encourages learning with an approach to education which aims, and succeeds, in preparing its pupils for the working, studying and training environment and adult life.

The presentation, included within the agenda, outlined an extensive and comprehensive framework of activities, interventions, experiences, including work and interview experience, and tasks which help build the confidence, resilience and skills of pupils from when they first enter the Academy.

The success of the Academy in guiding and supporting pupils is proven in that every student who left the sixth form in the summer of 2016 is in employment, training or education.

Alison responded to the Committee's questions as follows:

- (a) the Academy is very proud of the achievement of students which is now in line with, if not exceeding the national average, including the achievements of pupils with Special Educational Needs;
- (b) students are given advice on becoming self-employed if that is the route they wish to pursue. Development of business skills and entrepreneurship are encouraged although it can be very helpful if pupils are employed and work within their chosen sector before becoming self-employed;
- (c) for pupils with specific and extreme behavioural issues there is alternative educational provision. Pupils are taken off-site and taught in small learning groups where they receive more focused attention;
- (d) the Academy is very strict and does not tolerate rudeness or bad behaviour. However, very occasionally a very small number of pupils may cause problems in neighbourhoods or the town but the Academy has a close relationship with PCSOs who work with the Academy to address such issues. If young people who can be clearly identified as students of the Academy are seen out of school during school hours, citizens are encouraged to contact the Academy with details of

where, when and descriptions. Unfortunately the perception of poorly behaved students is mistakenly far greater than the reality;

- (e) the local Universities are actively engaging with interested pupils and are able to advise both pupils and parents of the support available if that is a chosen route;
- (f) every student is considered an individual so future pathways are very individual, ranging through all abilities and aptitudes.

Members of the Committee welcomed the positive work of the Academy and congratulated both the Academy and its pupils on the achievements to date and impressive progress.

RESOLVED to note the presentation and record the Committee's thanks to Alison Bingham for attending.

34 ENTERPRISE CAR CLUB IN NOTTINGHAM

Keith Kelly, Enterprise Car Club, was accompanied by Jennie Maybury, Nottingham City Council Transport Strategy, and delivered a brief presentation which is to be circulated with the initial publication of the minutes. The Enterprise Car Club operates nationally and within the City in partnership with Nottingham City Council, including vehicles based around the City and at Bulwell Riverside.

Once registered, the Car Club enables members to rent cars for £5 per hour for short bookings, down to £2.50 per hour for longer bookings, with half and quarter hour increments. Membership of the Car Club has provided many members substantial savings when compared to owning and operating their own vehicle, particularly when cars are only occasionally required. Use of the Car Club not only reduces the need for car ownership, it encourages many members to walk/ cycle/ use public transport and generally only use a car when absolutely necessary, so the Club has a positive environmental impact too.

The presentation outlined the financial, time and convenience benefits of becoming a member of the Car Club, including 24 hour access to vehicles, seven days a week, the ability to reserve a vehicle online, a variety of membership and payment options.

A smart card opens the booked vehicle and a PIN allocated with the reservation is entered to start the car. Fuel is purchased through a car specific pre-paid fuel card but only the cost of fuel used is charged to the member.

The Committee's questions were responded to as follows:

- (a) the Car Club has had vehicles based at Bulwell Riverside for the past year but with very little uptake from the area, despite offering a beneficial service, so the views of local community representatives are sought as to how to most effectively promote the Club;
- (b) car ownership costs between 18p and £1.20 per hour, every hour, so for the majority of people, being a member of the Car Club provides huge savings;

- (c) members of the Club can access cars across the UK but do need to return them to the place where they collected them. Membership also provides discounts for the Enterprise 'Rent a Car' company where there is more flexibility as to where cars can be left;
- (d) Enterprise has been operating a Car Club in Edinburgh since the year 2000 with increasing success as the culture of car clubs has proved very popular;
- (e) at the start of a booking, members are expected to check the vehicle for any damage and to report it to the Club House Team to ensure that they are not held liable.

Members of the Committee welcomed the Car Club as a benefit for local people but whilst having seen the cars in Bulwell Riverside carpark, commented that they had believed them to be City Council Pool cars due to the Council logo. Keith Kelly and Jennie Maybury welcomed this feedback.

RESOLVED to note the Committee's thanks to Keith Kelly for his interesting presentation.

35 WREN SCHEMES UPDATE

James Tilford, Park Development Officer, delivered a presentation which updated the Committee on WREN (now Waste Recycling Environmental Ltd) grant funded environmental projects within the area which include:

- (i) Bulwell Park Landscape Improvement Plan;
- (ii) Hoewood Road Community Meadow;
- (iii) Green Flag improvements to Bulwell Hall Park, Bulwell Bogs and Bulwell Forest recreation Ground;
- (iv) Hucknall Walkway;
- (v) Moorbridge Pond;
- (vi) Springfield Corner;
- (vii) Rise Park Play Area.

With regard to some of the improvements, workshops will be held for community groups and schools to work with an artist to create locally inspired features. Details of the workshops will be available in the New Year.

It was noted that although Parks colleagues are aware of Nelson Park, investment priorities across the City have been considered for the limited funding and improvements have not been prioritised for this park in the 2016-18 schedule of works. One of the criteria for which funding is sought/allocated is citizen demand so if communities request park improvements and can illustrate use of the area, this may escalate work priority but does not guarantee improvements.

RESOLVED to note the positive update.

36 GET OUT GET ACTIVE PROJECT

Colin Eley, Sport and Leisure Partnership Development Officer, informed the Committee of the 'Get Out Get Active' (GOGA) programme which supports disabled and non-

disabled citizens to enjoy activity together. The City Council has secured £245,000 over 3 years from the 'English Federation of Disabled Sport' to engage disabled people in physical activity.

GOGA programme is focused on 3 areas within the City where health issues and disabilities have impacted on citizen's ability to access activity;

1. Bilborough, Aspley and Bulwell;
2. St Ann's and the Dales;
3. Clifton North and South.

For the Bulwell and Bulwell Forest Area, disabled engagement is the theme priority but the broader theme is to encourage all citizens to become active and improve their overall health and wellbeing.

The first stage of the delivery plan is to identify the area specific needs and preferences of communities and work with them to adapt or develop existing or new exercise schemes or activities to best suit the needs of local people.

The range of potential activities can be broad but must be inclusive and accessible to disabled citizens, including: walking groups, cycling, running, swimming, table tennis, and archery.

The programme is still at the early stages of development but an engagement, consultation and information event will be held on 25 January at Harvey Hadden Sports Village between 2 and 4pm. Light snacks and refreshments will be provided on arrival.

A dedicated programme co-ordinator will be in post during January 2017, but until then, enquiries can be directed to the Community Support Manager, Nikki Mottishaw at nikki.mottishaw@nottinghamcity.gov.uk, 0115 8761615 or 07932 552791.

The Committee's questions were responded to as follows:

- (a) If there is local demand for ballroom dancing, then this could be considered as the programme's objective is to encourage activity and isn't limited to sports;
- (b) funding isn't directly payable to groups to facilitate activity, instead GOGA colleagues work alongside groups and ensure that the activities meet the funding criteria. Support may be available for existing activities in addition to developing new activities;
- (c) Programme colleagues are working with Sport England and Nottingham Community Voluntary Services (NCVS) to identify third sector organisations and find out statistical information on the demographics of citizens who accesses their services. The results will contribute to targeting engagement;
- (d) a Gymnastics group operating from the Henry Mellish Sports Centre has already come forward to enquire about the programme;
- (e) activities can be provided for closed groups of citizens or be openly accessible to all, it depends on the agreed arrangements;

- (f) funding does not include transport to activity venues and as it is estimated that approximately 60% of the target participants do not have access to a car, where possible, activities will be provided in the local area.

RESOLVED to note the presentation and record the Committee's thanks.

37 COMMUNITY PROTECTION

Darryl Paxford, Senior Community Protection Officer, presented the Cluster Report Response item which provided an outline description of the structure, aims, expected outcomes and responsibilities of Community Protection within the City.

The appendix to the report addressed comments, concerns and questions raised by Ward Councillors across the City at Area 'Cluster meetings'.

Within the Bulwell and Bulwell Forest Area, Councillors identified the main areas of concern to be addressed by Community Protection Officers (CPOs) were:

- (i) reporting and following up unsightly gardens;
- (ii) cycling on pavements, particularly on Highbury Road and in the Market Place;
- (iii) speeding.

Darry highlighted and made the following points:

- (a) with regard to cycling on the pavements, this is an on-going issue and officers do try to educate culprits, but there is an opportunity to issue a traffic offence report which can lead to a £30 fine;
- (b) the responsibilities of CPOs includes working with colleagues such as Dog Wardens to ensure dogs are identity chipped, owners walking dogs carry dog foul bags, and removing ill-treated animals from their owners;
- (c) CPO activity is monitored but whilst issuing of Fixed Penalty Notices can be easily recorded, officers are encouraged to take a more educational and preventative approach and first issue warnings. When issues are resolved following a warning, there isn't a mechanism for recording this so not all the work of the CPOs is captured within statistics;
- (d) CPOs and the Cleansing Teams work closely together. If Cleansing colleagues find a fly tip where the originator can be identified, they contact CPOs who can then pursue that information;
- (e) CPOs undertake specialist operations to address /prevent/ monitor ASB, including noise complaints;
- (f) CPOs aim to spend 80% of their 8 hour shift patrolling but this is not always possible as responding to citizen phone calls and email messages is also necessary;
- (g) nuisance motorbike riding is a City-wide problem and very hard to address as it's difficult to catch the culprits so very hard to prosecute. The majority of valuable

information identifying nuisance riders, including where they live and when they are active, comes from local people.

RESOLVED to note the report and thank Darryl Paxford for his attendance.

38 POLICING UPDATE

Police Sergeant Nev McGeehan verbally updated the Committee with the crime statistics for the Area compared to the same September-November period last year:

- (a) all crime has risen by 10%;
- (b) during the past 6 weeks an audit has been carried out, including consideration of some older incidents and how they were recorded. There is now a new approach where reported incidents are recorded as crimes prior to investigation. Although in some areas of reporting there may appear to be a significant increase in crime, this will drop as the statistics come full circle and are compared against the figures of the previous year;
- (c) violence is up by 6.6% but domestic violence has dropped by 7%;
- (d) dwelling burglaries have dropped by 21% but are predicted to rise during the pre-Christmas period;
- (e) theft of vehicles has risen by 2 incidents whilst thefts from vehicles has risen by 19 incidents but there does not appear to be any patterns to the rise;
- (f) drug related crime has dropped by 7% to 22 incidents;
- (g) arson has decreased by 32% with 13 fewer incidents;
- (h) public order offences have increased by 24 although this rise is partly due to how crimes are recorded;
- (i) there has been an increase of sexual crimes as a result of the audit and changes in methods of recording crime.

A community representative was concerned at the length of time between a citizen calling 999 and the Police attending. Sergeant McGeehan assured the Committee that the 999 Control Centre Staff are very thorough and would have assessed the level of risk to the caller and advised Police officers accordingly. It was not possible to comment on the specifics of the case.

RESOLVED to record the Committee's thanks to Sergeant Nev McGeehan for his attendance and update.

**39 NOTTINGHAM CITY HOMES (NCH) : PERFORMANCE AND
ENGAGEMENT UPDATES AND PROPOSED ENVIRONMENTAL
SCHEMES**

Due to the unavoidable absence of Tenancy and Estate Manager Elira Mano, Celia Knight, Neighbourhood Development Officer, presented the report of the Chief Executive

of Nottingham City Homes (NCH), which updates the Committee with a list of community activity in the area including NCH involvement with community groups, an overall performance report and a request approval for an environmental scheme.

RESOLVED to:

- (1) **note the update and performance information in Appendices 1 and 2 to the report;**
- (2) **note the allocation of funds as follows:**

Ward	Budget (including carry over from 2015/16)	Schemes Approved	Schemes Committed	Schemes De- Committed	Remaining Budget
Bulwell	£186,832.39	£85,983.00	£85,983.00	£0	£100,849.39
Bulwell Forest	£51,086.58	£1,400.00	£1,400.00	£0	£48,286.58

- (3) **to approve the Area Capital Programme funding request as follows:**

Address	Request	Cost
Chichester Close Garages (Bulwell Forest)	Install railings to wall to maximise security	£768.00

40 BULWELL AND BULWELL FOREST AREA CAPITAL FUND

Neighbourhood Development Officers Celia Knight and Suki Shergill, introduced the Area Capital Report which proposes Area Capital and Public Realm (Local Transport Plan – LTP) funded schemes within each ward.

It is noted that no new Local Transport Plan schemes are proposed at this time for Bulwell nor Bulwell Forest Wards and that there has not been any de-commitment of funding for Bulwell Ward.

RESOLVED

- (1) **to approve the following Bulwell Ward Public Realm funded scheme:**

Type	Estimate	Details
CCTV security cameras	£11,920	Provision of 2x3G CCTV camera with 3 year licence and 9 relocations to identified sites

- (2) **to note the financial position of Bulwell Ward as follows:**

2016 - 2017 LTP allocation	£85,600
LTP carried forward from 2015 - 2016	£0
2016 - 2017 Public Realm allocation	£51,300
Public Realm carried forward from 2015 - 2016	£70,953

Total Available 2016 - 2017 ACF		£207,853
Less LTP schemes	-	£47,500
Less Public Realm schemes	-	£11,920
De-committed funds	+	£0
Remaining available balance		£148,433
LTP element remaining		£38,100
Public Realm element remaining		£110,333

- (3) to approve the following Bulwell Forest Ward Public Realm funded scheme:

Location	Type	Estimate	Details
Whitworth Rise	school safety	£3,000	Provision of school keep clear zig zag markings on Whitworth Rise (Bakewell Drive)

- (4) to approve the following de-commitment of funding for Bulwell Forest schemes:

Reason	Amount	Details
Underspend	£1,250	Contribution to the cost of a decorative sign at Rise Park (Feb-16)
Scheme discontinued	£2,500	Installation of dropped crossing at junction on St Albans Road to improve use and access of footways for pedestrians (Sep-15)
Underspend	£9,196	Microasphalt surface treatment on Nansen Street

- (5) to note the financial position of Bulwell Forest Ward as follows:

2016 - 2017 LTP allocation	£48,300
LTP carried forward from 2015 - 2016	£0
2016 - 2017 Public Realm allocation	£29,000
Public Realm carried forward from 2015 - 2016	£7,523
Total Available 2016 - 2017 ACF	£84,823
Less LTP schemes	- £48,300
Less Public Realm schemes	- £26,746
De-committed funds	+ £13,646
Remaining available balance	£23,423
LTP element remaining	£9,196
Public Realm element remaining	£14,227

41 DELEGATED AUTHORITY AND FINANCE

Neighbourhood Development Officer Celia Knight presented the report which informs the Committee of the financial position of Ward Member Budgets and the actions agreed by the Director of Neighbourhood Services as a result of Ward Member funding requests.

It is noted that further schemes and events have received Councillor support in principal but that the formal approval process is yet to be completed.

There have been no further Bulwell Ward allocations since the last report.

RESOLVED to note:

- (a) the Ward Councillor budget position for Bulwell Ward Councillors:

Balance Brought Forward 15/16	£1,1026
Councillor funding 16/17	£15,000
Total finds 16/17	£26,026
De-committed schemes 16/17	£0
Allocated 16/17	£4,490
Uncommitted Funds after allocated schemes	£21536

- (b) the following Bulwell Forest Ward allocations:

Schemes	Councillor(s)	Amount (total in £)
Southglade ParkLive 2017	Campbell, Clark, McDonald	1500
CCTV revenue costs	Campbell, Clark, McDonald	1500
Highbury Vale Olympics	Campbell, Clark, McDonald	300

- (c) the Ward Councillor budget position for Bulwell Forest Ward Councillors:

Balance Brought Forward 15/16	£1,517
Councillor funding 16/17	£15,000
Total funds 16/17	£16,517
De-committed schemes 16/17	0
Allocated 16/17	£11,109
Uncommitted Funds after allocated schemes	£5,408

42 WARD PERFORMANCE REPORT

Suki Shergill and Celia Knight, Neighbourhood Development Officers for Bulwell and Bulwell Forest Wards respectively, presented the report which outlines the current ward priorities and issues within the wards and identifies the lead organisation or City Council Department for addressing those issues.

RESOLVED to note:

- (i) the current ward priorities for Bulwell Ward as follows;

- (i) Safer Nottingham
anti-social behaviour and criminal damage
White Ribbon Campaign
- (ii) Neighbourhood Nottingham
dog fouling/fly tipping reduction
- (iii) Families Nottingham
Small Steps Big Changes
- (iv) Health Nottingham

Increase take up of flu jabs

- (v) **Working Nottingham**
maximising employment opportunities for local people
- (b) the current ward priorities for Bulwell Forest Ward as follows;
 - (i) **Safer Nottingham**
anti-social behaviour and criminal damage
Cycling on pavements
 - (ii) **Neighbourhood Nottingham**
Increased tenant/resident engagement particularly around the Deptford crescent area
Neighbourhood Management of vacant sites
Development of Parks and Open Spaces
Dog fouling
Tree Planting
 - (iii) **Health Nottingham**
promotion of energy advice
provision of support to carers
 - (iv) **Working Nottingham**
increase access to awareness about training and employment opportunities.
- (c) the current ward issues as follows:
 - (i) **Bulwell Ward**
town centre upgrade and development
implementing parking schemes
anti-social behaviour;
 - (ii) **Bulwell Forest Ward**
nuisance bikes
management of derelict sites
deliberate fires
- (d) the forthcoming community and partner events and engagement listed in Appendix 3 to the report.

43 ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

This is an opportunity for Community Representatives to suggest future agenda items for consideration by the Committee. Any suggestions needed to be presented at least six weeks before the meeting date to either:

Suki Shergill, Neighbourhood Development Officer for Bulwell Ward, or
Celia Knight, Neighbourhood Development Officer for Bulwell Forest Ward.

44 FORTHCOMING EVENTS

The Bulwell Christmas Festival is to be held on Monday 5 December 2016 with stalls and activities, including a visit from Santa, taking place between 9.30am and 12.30pm at Bulwell Riverside, and between 3.30 and 5.30pm in Bulwell Market Place, including the Christmas Lights Switch on at 5pm.

On 21 January 2017, the Rise Park Action Group will be holding a 'Post-Christmas Blues' quiz evening from 7.30pm. Teams should consist of no more than 6 members and with a £2 charge per team member. All proceeds to go to Nottinghamshire Hospice.

BULWELL AND BULWELL FOREST AREA COMMITTEE 22ND FEBRUARY 2017

Title of paper:	Proposal for a Scheme of Selective Licensing for Privately Rented Houses	
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Other colleagues who have provided input:		
Date of consultation with Portfolio Holder(s) (if relevant)	22 nd November 2016	
Relevant Council Plan Key Theme:		
Strategic Regeneration and Development		<input type="checkbox"/>
Schools		<input type="checkbox"/>
Planning and Housing		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Community Services		<input type="checkbox"/>
Energy, Sustainability and Customer		<input type="checkbox"/>
Jobs, Growth and Transport		<input type="checkbox"/>
Adults, Health and Community Sector		<input type="checkbox"/>
Children, Early Intervention and Early Years		<input type="checkbox"/>
Leisure and Culture		<input type="checkbox"/>
Resources and Neighbourhood Regeneration		<input type="checkbox"/>
Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/service users):		
<p>This report is to inform the Area Committee for Bulwell and Bulwell Forest of the data collection and analysis work that has been completed to inform a decision to consult on a proposal to introduce a selective licensing scheme for privately rented houses. Executive Board have approved the proposed designation in principle and a public consultation will take place on these proposals between January and March 2017.</p> <p>The use of selective licensing powers will provide the following benefits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An opportunity to effectively influence higher standards of privately rented houses and to ensure effective management through more extensive control; • A key tool in achieving the overall reduction of Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB); and • Lead to higher levels of customer satisfaction with private rented sector accommodation within the City • Work with landlords and tenants to provide positive advice and assistance to achieve legislative compliance, education and the provision of advice and information as appropriate. <p>The report outlines the outcomes of an evidence gathering project surrounding the need for selective licensing within the City and demonstrates the existence of problems within the proposed designation. It shows that there is a strong correlation between the criteria for introducing a scheme and the private rented housing stock in Nottingham. Whilst different parts of the City meet different grounds, collectively there is a strong argument for suggesting that the entire City should be covered by the scheme.</p>		

Recommendation(s):	
1	note the contents of the report; and
2	offer its views on the proposal for a scheme of selective licensing for privately rented houses.
3	ask partners to actively contribute to the consultation process

1 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.1 The proposed designated area has been chosen because evidence, gathered in accordance with the Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) guidance suggests that relevant statutory tests have been met and that selective licensing of privately rented houses in the area would be an appropriate tool to resolve problems.
- 1.2 Ward councillors have been consulted on the proposed scheme and designation.

2 BACKGROUND (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)

- 2.1 The introduction of a licensing scheme for private rented accommodation to drive up standards and protect tenants across the City is a key objective in the current Council Plan for 2015-2019. Selective Licensing (a power available to local authorities to licence private rented houses) aims to improve living conditions for residents both in the private rented sector and the surrounding community and drive up standards amongst poor landlords. The scheme is an important element of the Council's commitment to safeguarding and protecting vulnerable citizens across the city and in providing quality, safe housing. In order for a scheme to be implemented there are strict statutory criteria and conditions which need to be met. The scheme will also contribute to reductions in levels of Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour and also contributes to one of the Council's key objectives to "cut the number of victims of crime by a fifth and contribute to reduce anti-social behaviour."
- 2.2 Evidence gathering work has been carried out to establish if there are grounds for implementing a scheme of selective licensing in Nottingham and if so where. An evidence base to inform a designation was gathered using number of data sources. Extensive analysis of the evidence against each of the criteria. The area that has been chosen as a proposed designation to consult upon has been arrived at through the analysis of this data. The evidence that has been gathered supports a designation based on the following grounds: -
 - significant and persistent problem caused by anti-social behaviour;
 - poor property conditions;
 - high level of deprivation and;
 - high levels of crime.
- 2.3 The report outlines the outcomes of an evidence gathering project surrounding the need for selective licensing within the City and demonstrates the existence of problems within the proposed designation. It shows that there is a strong correlation between the criteria for introducing a scheme and the private rented housing stock in Nottingham.

- 2.4 Though the area does not have a high concentration of private rented properties in the round, it is being included under the whole city designation. Evidence shows that Bulwell has a large number of pockets of areas with a high proportion of properties that are in the private rented sector (PRS), particularly in the south of the ward and around the tram line, which has seen a significant increase in PRS. These areas meet one or more of the criteria for introducing a scheme. The ward as a whole has problems with antisocial behaviour (which does not require a high proportion of PRS to satisfy this criterion). The areas with a high proportion of PRS have significant property condition issues and deprivation and also meet the criteria for crime. Whilst Bulwell Forest does not meet the thresholds for a high proportion of PRS, it does have pockets that meet the criteria for antisocial behaviour and it has been included for reason of coherence of the scheme. To omit one or two wards, which although not meeting the thresholds for the scheme still have significant levels of PRS and some of the issues relating to those properties, would be impractical and inequitable to the residents living in them. The area is also an area where there is high potential for properties previously in the social rented sector to move into the private rented sector, which is an increasing trend and one which brings with it a disproportionate amount of issues around poor/unprofessional management. The Council feels that selective licensing could help mitigate the negative impact of such tenure shift.
- 2.5 As part of the evidence gathering exercise, The Project Team attended the monthly Neighbourhood Action Team (NAT) Meetings held for 19 of the City's 20 wards over the period June to July 2016. The meetings involved representatives from the Police, Community Protection, Nottingham City Homes (NCH) Housing Patch Managers and Family Services from NCC. The meeting were chaired by the local Neighbourhood Development Officer.

The aims of the attending the meetings was:

- To find out what issues are faced in different areas of the City in relation to the Private rented sector
- What impacts these issues have on neighbourhoods
- Look at how these issues could be addressed
- Explore what impact a licensing scheme could have on these areas, the City's private rented sector and the City in general.

In addition, an online survey was circulated to NAT attendees and their partners working in the area. Responses to the survey were received from 12 out of the 20 wards and of those that responded 85% reported that they have experienced problems or issues with the PRS in their ward. The most frequently cited issues related to ASB and poor property conditions. Other specific problems reported were fly tipping and untidy gardens.

- 2.6 The feedback gathered through the survey and NAT meetings offers a more tangible level of detail regarding the experience of issues with the private rented sector in the City. It also offers an insight into the exponential or exacerbating effects that unresolved issues can have, as well as the difficulties entailed with resolution and the pressures that these issues put on services. The evidence also highlights some direct examples of where selective licensing would enable issues in the private rented sector to be more effectively and efficiently remedied. This in turn would reduce

pressure on services, release precious resources, and allow improved standards to be maintained.

- 2.7 The Council is currently consulting on the proposed scheme. Details of the proposal, evidence to support it and the consultation can be found in the attached report “ Area Committee Report – Bulwell and Bulwell Forest”
- 2.8 The report seeks to demonstrate the outcomes the Council believes will be achieved by the introduction of this scheme and why making a selective licensing designation will significantly assist the Council to achieve its objectives and bring benefits to not only tenants but to the wider community. The proposed scheme of fits entirely with the Council’s vision that every neighbourhood is safe, clean and a great place to live.

3 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 A number of other options were considered as part of the Executive Board Report dated 22nd November 2016. Overall it was concluded that existing initiatives and the exercise of available powers have not brought about the improvement in the City’s PRS which is needed and there is no practical and beneficial alternative to the proposed scheme.

4 FINANCE COMMENTS (INCLUDING IMPLICATIONS AND VALUE FOR MONEY/VAT)

- 4.1 The financial comments are as per in the Executive Board Report dated 22nd November 2016

5 LEGAL AND PROCUREMENT COMMENTS (INCLUDING RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES, AND LEGAL, CRIME AND DISORDER ACT AND PROCUREMENT IMPLICATIONS)

- 5.1 The legal and financial comments are as per in the Executive Board Report dated 22nd November 2016

6 STRATEGIC ASSETS & PROPERTY COMMENTS (FOR DECISION RELATING TO ALL PROPERTY ASSETS AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE) (AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS ONLY)

- 6.1 N/A

7 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 7.1 Has the equality impact of the proposals in this report been assessed?

No

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An EIA is not required because:

(Please explain why an EIA is not necessary)

Yes

X

Attached as Appendix 1, and due regard will be given to any implications identified in it.

8 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS OTHER THAN PUBLISHED WORKS OR THOSE DISCLOSING CONFIDENTIAL OR EXEMPT INFORMATION

8.1 None

9 PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT

9.1 Executive Board Report dated 22nd November 2016 Proposal for a Scheme of Selective Licensing for Privately Rented Houses

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Title of EIA: Proposed Designation for Selective Licensing of the Private Rented Sector

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Service Area: Housing Strategy and Partnerships and Environmental Health

Strategic Budget EIA Y/N (please underline)

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Brief description of proposal being assessed:

Selective licensing is a regulatory tool provided by the Housing Act 2004. Part 3 of the Housing Act 2004 sets out the scheme for licensing private rented properties in a local housing authority area. Under section 80 of the Act a local housing authority can designate the whole or any part or parts of its area as subject to selective licensing. Where a selective licensing designation is made it applies to privately rented property in the area.

The Council is proposing to implement a selective licensing scheme in a designated area – see map Enc 2

Under the proposed designation, all privately rented houses will require a licence; and applications will need to be made to the Council by landlords.

One of the key benefits which licensing is perceived to bring is an improvement in housing standards in a sector of the housing market in which a large number of vulnerable citizens are housed.

A further EIA will be carried out on the final scheme proposal should it progress through the various approval stages.

As part of the consultation process a Communities of Interest event will be held in order to engage with the harder to reach communities and those identified as part of this EIA who may potentially be impacted by these proposals.

During the course of consultation on the proposal (which will take place if the proposal is approved by Councillors) it is possible that other issues will be raised in relation to equality, and these will be carefully considered in the EIA of the final proposal.

Information used to analyse the effects on equality:

The Project Team held an informal focus group discussion in August 2016 and invited representatives from different communities in Nottingham to discuss experiences of living in and renting out properties in Nottingham. The aim of the session was to find out what issues are faced by different equality groups, explore what impact a licensing scheme may have on the city's different communities and equality groups, and explore options for future consultation and engagement. In addition data from the 2011 census was used to map areas with a high proportion of PRS and areas with a high concentration of bad health, age group, BME and minority ethnic population and disability and a high proportion of PRS. Learning from the existing licensing schemes has also been used.

	Could particularly benefit X	May adversely impact X (although may be only short term)	How different groups could be affected (Summary of impacts)	Details of actions to reduce negative or increase positive impact (or why action isn't possible)
People from different ethnic groups.	X	X	A Focus Group was held with representatives from different communities who identified potential impacts on different sections of the community. It was acknowledged that Selective Licensing could, along with a wider set of measures, address issues associated with the Private Rented Sector (PRS) such as antisocial behaviour (ASB), poor property conditions, high levels of deprivation and crime. These may have a disproportionate effect on different types of communities. Participants agreed that there should be some form of control over landlords and that they should be accountable for the conditions in their properties	Positive impact can be continually improved by on-going enforcement action against non-compliant landlords.
Men	X	X		
Women	X	X		
Trans	X	X		It is hoped that the scheme will help to tackle ASB issues in the PRS
Disabled people or carers.	X	X		
Pregnancy/ Maternity	X	X		
People of different faiths/ beliefs and those with none.	X	X		It is felt that overall the benefits of selective licensing outweigh the potential disadvantages; it is believed will have a positive impact on disadvantaged groups who are over-represented in many of the communities where it will be implemented
Lesbian, gay or bisexual people.	X	X		
Older	X	X		
Younger	X	X		
Other (e.g. marriage/ civil partnership, looked after children, cohesion/ good relations, vulnerable children/ adults). <i>Please underline the group(s) /issue more adversely affected or which benefits.</i>	X	X	<u>People from different ethnic groups</u> The population of those living in the City's PRS comprises people from a range of different BME communities. Mapping shows that there are high concentrations of BME citizens in areas of the city where there is a high concentration of PRS properties; furthermore areas with an above	There is no data set which links property ownership to ethnic origin, so it is not possible to quantify this impact. It is however acknowledged that there is a high level of ownership amongst the Asian community, and therefore the Council must have regard to this

		<p>average PRS also have an above average % of the population that are from a BME background</p> <p>Overcrowding is likely to be an issue in some areas and illegal conversions of properties particularly affect new and emerging communities.</p> <p>Potential benefit: Improved quality and safety of accommodation for BME tenants in the rental market due to the compliance with licensing conditions. Life chances/opportunities are affected by housing. As accommodation improves outcomes should improve. May also improve health and wellbeing as homes are improved.</p> <p>Potential adverse impact:</p> <p>(a)Landlords Background: Property investment by the Asian community is the foundation of their financial interests. Property portfolios seen as 'pension schemes' and a means to support families (within the UK and back in Pakistan and India), communities and faith institutions. Life savings are often invested in property. Great concern that the proposals will seriously damage property portfolios having a 'knock-on' effect of reducing 'yields' and lowering income that can be used to support families, the community etc. Representatives of this community perceive that landlords in their community have already been disproportionately affected by the additional licensing scheme and another scheme may</p>	<p>potential adverse impact. Licence applications will provide an opportunity to capture ethnic monitoring data and provide better data on ownership of PRS. This was introduced as part of the Additional Licensing scheme. Out of 1379 Licence Holders, 105 declared their ethnicity. Of these 105 40% are White British/Irish, 47% Asian and 13% Black/Other. Of the Asian landlords to declare their ethnicity the majority, 62% are Asian Pakistani, and make up 35% of landlords where ethnicity is known.</p> <p>It is also acknowledged that this is a highly complex issue which will require a lot of support and explanation to certain sections of the community so that they fully understand what is expected of them and are able to comply with the requirements. Such a role should be carried out by the Housing Strategy and Environmental Health teams.</p> <p>Overall, the additional costs to landlords over five years is considered to be small, although it is acknowledged that those with larger portfolios needing to pay multiple licence fees will have a large upfront outlay.</p> <p>It is intended that accredited landlords will receive a discount on the fee.</p>
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			<p>have a big impact on their portfolios</p> <p>(b)Tenants The effect of large cohorts of renters in a community was discussed. Different areas of Nottingham have different amenities that attract people from different ethnic groups. This leads to a concentration of particular ethnic groups in an area. This can put pressure on services in that area as the community is less diverse. It can also mean tension between different communities. Overcrowding in the PRS was discussed. People from new and emerging communities may be particularly affected by overcrowding or illegal/substandard conversions Issues of subletting were identified as a key issue that needs to be addressed. This is a particular problem amongst new and emerging communities.</p> <p>Concern that landlords will inevitably increase rents to cover licensing costs and costs of works to comply with licensing conditions. One of the unintended consequences of a scheme may be to push tenants further into food and fuel poverty. People from BME communities may be more likely to earn less than non BME communities. Poor standards of accommodation are often at the lower end of the market and landlords may have to do more to their properties at this end to meet the standards required.</p>	<p>There is a risk that Selective licensing will result in rent increases, but this impact would not be fully understood until the scheme had been implemented. Consideration has been given to the potential impact of the cost of licensing being passed on to tenants through higher rents. It is felt that over the five year term of the scheme the proposed licence fee will not constitute more than a few pounds per week. The evidence from the Council's additional licensing scheme suggests that although rents in student HMOs (which make up a significant proportion of the city's HMOs) increased after the introduction of additional licensing, this was part of an upward trend in student rents that was also experienced by other cities with large student populations. It is therefore a risk that the Council should be aware of, but one which is based on speculation.</p> <p>The Council does not believe that standards of accommodation should be compromised in the interests of greater affordability. These are standards that the Council believes landlords should already be meeting. Outcomes of the scheme that are designed to tackle excess cold will result in lower heating bills and reductions to fuel poverty releasing income to tenants</p>
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The scheme may cause landlords to withdraw properties from the sector and lead to less homes being available for renters.

Disabled people or carers

Mapping shows no apparent overlap between areas of high PRS and population experiencing disability. This may be due to the small cohort. Focus group identified that tenants with disabilities often face particular problems when renting properties. They may have problems with security of tenure. Landlords are reluctant to facilitate property adaptations and getting these agreed with landlords was highlighted as a particular difficulty. Tenants with health issues are also much more likely to be affected by problems with damp and housing disrepair issues. They may face problems with getting repairs done quickly. Disabled tenants are much more impacted by the cold and issues such as no heating or hot water affect them more. Disabled tenants have also highlighted problems renting properties when they have assistance dogs, as these are seen as pets and they are not pets.

Potential benefit: An improvement in property standards which it is believed licensing will bring will have a positive impact on the lives of such people

Potential adverse impact:
Tenants in this equality strand could be affected by rent rises and other

adjustments to the PRS market that might result from licensing changes.

People from different faith groups

Potential adverse impact: Issues already stated regarding Asian landlords could apply to this equality strand. It should be noted that the Muslim community cannot receive, for religious reason, 'interest' from investments and therefore property is a preferred investment, hence this makes this community sensitive to any matters that could affect property prices or yields.

Lesbian, gay or bisexual people; and

Men, women (including maternity/pregnancy impact), transgender people

Although the proposals are not believed to specifically have an adverse impact on these groups, the risk already mentioned of rent increases could have an impact on all sections of the community.

Older or younger people

Although the proposals are not believed to specifically have an adverse impact on these groups, the risk already mentioned of rent increases could have an impact on all sections of the community.

Outcome(s) of equality impact assessment:

•No major change needed X •Adjust the policy/proposal ☐ •Adverse impact but continue ☐

•Stop and remove the policy/proposal ☐

Arrangements for future monitoring of equality impact of this proposal / policy / service:

If the proposal proceeds to a final decision by the Council to implement, a further review of this EIA will take place. It may be possible to use referral data to agencies such as Housing Aid, Notts Housing Advice etc to see what specific impacts the scheme is having if it is implemented.

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Before you send your EIA to the Equality and Community Relations Team for scrutiny, have you:

1. Read the guidance and good practice EIA's
<http://www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/article/25573/Equality-Impact-Assessment>
2. Clearly summarised your proposal/ policy/ service to be assessed.
3. Hyperlinked to the appropriate documents.
4. Written in clear user friendly language, free from all jargon (spelling out acronyms).
5. Included appropriate data.
6. Consulted the relevant groups or citizens or stated clearly when this is going to happen.
7. Clearly cross referenced your impacts with SMART actions.

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Proposal for a Scheme of Selective Licensing for Privately Rented Houses

Background to the proposal

The introduction of a licensing scheme for private rented accommodation to drive up standards and protect tenants across the City is a key objective in the current Council Plan for 2015-2019. Selective Licensing (a power available to local authorities to licence private rented houses) aims to improve living conditions for residents both in the private rented sector and the surrounding community and drive up standards amongst poor landlords. The scheme is an important element of the Council's commitment to safeguarding and protecting vulnerable citizens across the city and in providing quality, safe housing. The scheme will also contribute to reductions in levels of Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour and also contributes to one of the Council's key objectives to "cut the number of victims of crime by a fifth and contribute to reduce anti-social behaviour."

Before making a final decision as to whether to make (and seek confirmation of a scheme) the Council is required to conduct a full consultation for a minimum of 10 weeks which should be informative, clear and to the point, so that the full details of the proposal can be readily understood. It is proposed that consultation be carried out for a period of 11 weeks between 16th January 2017 and 31st March 2017, and will include information on the proposed scheme, the reasons for it and how it has been arrived at, and indicative information regarding fees and conditions. The proposed fee is £600 with a reduced fee of £460 for accredited landlords.

What is Selective Licensing?

The Housing Act 2004 requires local housing authorities to license houses in multiple occupation (HMOs) if they are over 3 storeys and accommodate more than five people who form two or more households. This is called **mandatory licensing**. The Act also gives authorities the power to introduce licensing schemes for other HMOs if certain conditions are met. This is called **additional licensing**, and the Council has been operating a scheme of additional licensing since January 2014. The other form of licensing within the Act (Part 3 of the Housing Act 2004) is called **selective licensing**. This enables authorities to license all other privately rented houses if certain conditions are met. By requiring landlords to apply for a licence to rent out their homes, the Council is able to ensure that the landlord is a "fit and proper person" and, through compliance with the conditions set out in the licence, is providing safe, well managed accommodation.

It is now the law that any proposed scheme exceeding either 20% of the area's private rented sector or 20% of its geographical area must be confirmed by the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government. The scheme which the Council is proposing exceeds both criteria and will require Secretary of State approval.

Why does the Council think licensing is necessary?

The City's private rented sector (PRS) has expanded significantly in recent years. Between the 2001 census and the 2011 census, the proportion of households living in privately rented homes increased by 12%. Since 2011 the sector has increased in

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size even more. The Building Research Establishment (BRE) carried out a wide-ranging stock survey for the Council in the summer of 2016 and found that the City's private rented sector comprised 43,000 properties.

The increase in the PRS shows how important the sector is as a source of accommodation for Nottingham citizens. People live in the PRS for a number of reasons: because they can't afford to buy a home; they can't access social housing; the relative flexibility and easy accessibility of the PRS suits their lifestyle or the stage in their career; they don't want the responsibility and financial commitment of home ownership. Whatever the reason for living in the sector, the Council believes that tenants should experience a good quality home. This is clearly shown in the Council Plan 2015-19. Enormous progress has been made in improving the social housing stock in the city via the decent homes programme and the Council believes that all Nottingham residents should have access to a high standard of accommodation, whether renting or buying.

As well as using all the powers it has under the legislation to tackle poor housing conditions and poor management the Council has undertaken a number of other initiatives in order to drive up standards in the PRS, most notably landlord accreditation through two major partners, Unipol and Decent and Safe Homes (DASH). Both schemes are voluntary however, and even though many good landlords have joined the schemes (together known as the "Nottingham Standard"), it remains a relatively small proportion of the sector. The Council therefore believes that much more is needed in order to get landlords to comply with their responsibilities. A scheme of selective licensing will, it is believed, enable the Council to ensure that landlords are proactive in making sure that their properties meet certain standards. Landlord's will also take responsibility for management of their properties, supporting good neighbourhoods and assisting with the prevention of crime and ASB in those neighbourhoods.

The strategic case for selective licensing

The 'Council Plan' states that it wants all Nottingham citizens to be able to access a good quality home, and sets out its key objectives for achieving this. Amongst these is a proposal to introduce a citywide licensing scheme for the private rented sector. The proposal for a scheme of selective licensing therefore forms part of a much wider ambition to deliver good quality housing in the City.

The Council believes that regardless of whether you own, are buying or renting your home that it should be safe, warm, and meet modern standards. Although there is a focus on private rented sector within the Council Plan, the plan also seeks to increase the supply of new homes and ensure that consistent standards of management and repair are maintained by housing associations. Put together, these priorities form a multi-tenure approach to housing based on achieving good quality across the city's stock.

The Council recognises the importance of the PRS within the housing market. It seeks to make use of the sector as a positive housing option for people who are homeless or threatened with homelessness. It fulfils a gap in the market in parts of the City where there is little or no social housing, but where people want to live for reasons such as their support networks. The PRS houses many people on low incomes who are dependent on housing benefit via the Council to support their

housing costs. It is quite clear, therefore, that the Council needs a well managed and well maintained PRS stock in order to meet some of its housing objectives and to be part of an overall, well-balanced housing market.

Selective licensing fits with this approach. If we genuinely support the sector and want to ensure that citizens can have a better guarantee of standards within the PRS we need a way of achieving that. The existing powers, schemes and initiatives aimed at tackling poor housing and raising standards have not been sufficient in delivering the PRS we want to see. A licensing scheme, which sets out a clear set of conditions and expectations will, it is believed, bring a step-change in the way in which the City's PRS is managed and tackle the significant problems which our evidence shows currently exist within the sector.

How the scheme will help the Council achieve its objectives.

The proposed selective licensing scheme is above all aimed at improving standards within the PRS as part of an overall objective to bring a higher quality of housing across all tenures. However, the Council believes that its positive impact will be seen beyond just housing and will help to achieve a number of wider objectives, such as:

- **Health and wellbeing:** it is well known that poor housing can contribute to ill health, and that improving housing conditions, e.g. tackling damp and cold can improve health. Poor housing can also contribute to, or exacerbate mental health problems. The Council and its partners in housing organisations and the health services are working together to achieve housing objectives which lead to a healthier and happier community. Selective licensing will be a significant part of this.
- **Crime and antisocial behaviour:** It is one of the Council's highest priorities to reduce crime and antisocial behaviour (ASB). The evidence we have compiled to support the case for selective licensing shows that there is a strong correlation, or relationship, between the PRS and crime and ASB. Licensing brings a greater responsibility on landlords to manage their properties better, including the responsibility themselves not to utilise properties for criminal behaviour as well as taking responsibility for the behaviour of their tenants. This is seen as a significant tool in tackling crime and ASB.
- **Educational attainment:** The Council wants to improve the attainment of children attending city schools. Better housing – a safe, warm and comfortable environment in which to study - can help. Many children are now living in PRS homes, and we want to ensure that the housing they live in is helping them to thrive and do well at school.
- **Economic success of the City:** The Council and its partners are ambitious for Nottingham to be a growing city economically, providing high quality jobs in thriving industries and businesses. To do this it needs a good quality housing stock which can attract and accommodate workers, particularly younger, aspirational people at the beginning of their "housing career" who are not ready to buy. A higher standard PRS with a better reputation for good quality housing will help this ambition, and a selective licensing scheme will help to achieve this.

Evidence to support the proposal

The law sets out a range of conditions to be met before a Council may implement a selective licensing scheme. Whilst Councils do not need to meet every condition, strong evidence must be shown to support the condition(s) which are being relied upon.

In simple terms the law says that a selective licensing scheme or “designation” may be made if the area to which it relates satisfies one or more of the following conditions. The area is one experiencing:

- Low housing demand (or is likely to become such an area) ;
- A significant and persistent problem caused by anti-social behaviour;
- Poor property conditions ;
- High levels of migration;
- High level of deprivation;
- High levels of crime

In considering whether to designate an area for selective licensing on the grounds of property conditions, migration, deprivation and crime the local housing authority may only make a designation if the area also has a high proportion of property in the private rented sector. It is for each Council to determine what constitutes “a high proportion of properties in the PRS”. Nottingham City Council selected all areas in Nottingham with a PRS level higher than the national average of 19% as a starting point and adjusted this to remove multi person households (which would not be covered by selective licensing) to arrive at a figure of 16.3%.

The Council considers that there are grounds for a selective licensing scheme based on the antisocial behaviour, poor property conditions, deprivation and crime conditions.

The evidence collected by the Council using a number of sources such as complaints records, Police data, the Indices of Multiple Deprivation (IMD)¹ and a comprehensive stock condition survey carried out by the Building Research Establishment can be summarised thus:

- In line with national trends, rates of Crime and ASB have been reducing in the City. However, overall, both Crime and ASB can still be seen as significant problems in Nottingham.
- Research shows that crime and ASB rate is significantly higher in areas with a high proportion of private rented households (both including and excluding HMOs), and the rate in these areas was above the overall rate for the City.

ASB

- Nottingham has higher rates of incidents of ASB compared to the national average.

¹ The Indices of Multiple Deprivation is a set of data collected at national level showing the relative levels of deprivation in all local authority areas in England

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- The rate of ASB calls (especially noise related) and rates of crime is higher in areas with a high proportion of PRS.
- Combining the Police data on ASB with the Council's own data shows there is a positive correlation between the rates of all ASB and noise related ASB and areas with a high proportion of PRS.
- The PRS accounts for a 10% variance in the rate of noise related ASB calls.
- For every 2 reports of ASB received by the Council in areas with a low proportion of PRS, 3 are received in areas with a high proportion of PRS.
- When compared to the owner occupied sector the rate increases to for every 3 reports in areas with a low proportion of PRS, 5 are received in areas where there is a high proportion of PRS

Poor property conditions

- Areas with a high proportion of PRS are more than twice as likely to experience issues of disrepair and one and a half times more likely to experience excess cold
- PRS properties are more likely to experience these issues as a result of tenure type and not tenure concentration
- Two thirds of complaints to the Council are attributable to the PRS that are not HMOs
- For every 3 reports made to the Council for areas with a high proportion of PRS, there would be 2 made in areas with a low proportion.

Deprivation

- Nottingham has high levels of deprivation. Out of the 182 City's lower super output areas (LSOAs), 61 are in the 10% most deprived in the country, and 110 are in the 20% most deprived. Overall, Nottingham is the 8th most deprived district in the country.
- Deprivation is measured by 7 distinct elements that make up the index of multiple Deprivation (IMD)
- Areas with a high proportion of PRS have higher levels of Crime, Barriers to Housing, and Living Environment and have lower levels of Income, Employment and Education then areas with a lower proportion of PRS in an areas
- Areas with a high proportion of PRS have lower than average performance in at least one of the indices, and 87 of the 88 areas are in the lower half of the City's ranking in one or more of the types of deprivation.

Crime

- Areas with a high proportion of PRS have higher incidences of all types of crime compared to the City overall and to areas with a lower proportion of PRS.
- Police data on crime shows that areas with a high proportion of PRS are almost twice as likely to experience crime as the rest of the city.
- 45% of areas where there is a high proportion are almost twice as likely to experience a crime rate in excess of the City average, with five areas also exceeding the national average.
- For every additional unit of PRS property the rate of crime is expected to increase by more than one and half times. A 15% difference in the crime rate

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can be attributed to the proportion of PRS of in an area. The biggest variation of which is for violent crime.

- Crime is also one of the elements that is a measure of Deprivation. Areas with a higher proportion of PRS have a worse overall performance for crime as an indication of deprivation, than those with a low proportion, with 58% being in the lower half of the City's rank.

The issues that exist in the PRS are often compounded, with areas with a high proportion of PRS often suffering from more than one problem. Overall the analysis undertaken shows there is a positive correlation between the proportion of PRS in an area and rates of both ASB and crime and levels of deprivation, with the majority of areas suffering from issues associated with all three of these criteria.

Qualitative Evidence gathered in the neighbourhoods to support the proposal

The experiences of a number of stakeholders working in the City's neighbourhoods were sought. This included Police officers, Neighbourhood Development Officers, Nottingham City Homes Patch Managers, and Community Protection Officers. This was done by engaging with the Neighbourhood Management Team (NATS) and attending their monthly meetings. In addition, an online survey was circulated to NAT attendees and their partners working in the area.

The responses to the survey echoed the discussion at the NAT meetings, where the primary issue raised by attendees was poor property conditions. Landlords' not undertaking repairs is seen as a key issue and is felt to be having a significant impact on communities. Poor housing conditions are considered to have a disproportionate effect on those who are already vulnerable and whose accommodation in poorly maintained private rented sector properties reflects existing issues of deprivation and poverty. I.e. the low rents that can be afforded entail low property standards. Properties in the private rented sector that are in a poor state of repair or empty for a long period of time contributed to the area looking unkempt and were felt to exacerbate existing levels of ASB and Crime, something that is often compounded by increased incidences of fly tipping, untidy gardens and rubbish dumping in neighbourhoods.

Significant problems with ASB associated with private rented sector property were reported both in the on line survey and in the discussions at the NAT meetings. Whilst the biggest issue reported in the online survey was noise and rowdy behaviour affecting people living in or visiting the vicinity, the single biggest issue brought up at the NAT meetings was rubbish and waste, such as problems with fly tipping, the accumulation of rubbish around properties or in shared alleyways between properties and overflowing bins being left on the street.

The City Council offers a free bulky waste service to help combat these problems, but this simple and free solution is not being utilised due to tenants leaving the responsibility to landlords and/or landlords not taking responsibility for their properties. This issue was most significant when properties came vacant and it was felt that this was quite a difficult issue to resolve on account of the tenant having left and the landlord being difficult to trace and contact. Neighbourhood Development Officers reported significant problems with trying to establish who was responsible for a property and getting landlords to take action.

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71% of respondents to the on line survey said it was difficult to identify if properties are privately rented or owner occupied and NATs found issues associated with the PRS particularly difficult to solve compared to other tenures. This discussion further highlighted the difficulty officer had in establishing responsibility for private rented sector properties and all survey respondents said they used their local community contacts to try and establish tenure and ownership.

Another barrier to resolving issues in the private rented sector that was identified was having to deal with both landlords and tenants - who often held the other responsible. Tenants often lacked information or were not sufficiently empowered to take action themselves, whereas landlords were often reluctant to take ownership of what they see as their tenants' problem. There was also felt to be a general lack of cooperation from some landlords. Officers also cited language barriers or fear of intimidation/retaliation as causing problems when speaking to tenants.

Discussions also highlighted that officers are seeing an increasing number of vulnerable people being housed in the private rented sector, who are not being supported in the ways they would be in social housing. This in turn, is increasing the amount of ASB and therefore the requirement for Police and Community Protection to address it. Housing Patch Managers are also called upon to deal with ASB when tenants in the private rented tenants are causing problems for NCH tenants.

A number of wards highlighted the changing nature of communities and the transitions in tenure from social rented and owner occupied to private rented, transitions that are putting pressures on services. A predominantly owner occupied ward had pockets of private rented with problems of deprivation that is largely hidden from the rest of the community. Another ward that was once predominantly social housing but became owner occupied through right to buy is seeing an increase in PRS due to the improvement of transport links.

Overall, the Council believes it has the evidence to support a scheme of selective licensing on a citywide basis. Whilst a few parts of the City do not meet the statutory criteria the vast majority of the Council's area does and to omit these areas from the proposal would create boundaries for the scheme which would be difficult to understand and undermine the completeness and objectives of the scheme. The Council may also legitimately take into account the likelihood of displacement, which is a poor landlord moving from one area which is covered by licensing to an area that is not. On this basis it is felt that a City wide scheme is justifiable.

Why making a selective licensing designation will significantly assist the Council to achieve its objectives

Crime and antisocial behaviour

The evidence shows that there is a strong correlation between levels of crime and ASB and private rented properties. Selective licensing (through the conditions to be attached to a licence) will make it a requirement for landlords to manage their properties more effectively, particularly by ensuring that tenancy conditions are clear and set out in proper tenancy agreements. Conditions will require landlords to deal with breaches effectively, giving greater assurance to local communities that private rented homes in neighbourhoods are being properly managed. In letting out properties landlords must take responsibility for the potential impact on neighbouring

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properties. Licensing will bring a far greater onus on landlords to ensure this. From this shift towards greater landlord responsibility for the conduct of their tenants it is hoped to see a significant reduction in antisocial behaviour. Where landlords do not adhere to their conditions the Council will use a proportionate approach to enforcement to seek to ensure compliance as detailed in its enforcement and compliance guide

It is known from the Council's DCLG-funded rogue landlord initiative that the private rented sector can be a base for criminal activity, and the data the Council has analysed shows a correlation between crime and the PRS. The requirement for a landlord to be a fit and proper person will ensure that those with criminal background are precluded from letting out properties to rent. As with antisocial behaviour, there will also be an expectation that through more effective enforcement of tenancy conditions, criminal activity involving PRS tenants will reduce. Therefore through licensing the Council expects to see a reduction in the level of crime associated with private rented properties.

Poor Property Conditions

The Council's evidence, obtained through a robust stock condition survey suggests a higher level of disrepair and incidence of HHSRS category one hazards than in both the owner occupied and social rented sectors. The licence conditions which will apply to the scheme will require landlords to be proactive in ensuring that their properties are well maintained. There are powers under the Housing Act 2004 to enforce compliance and tackle poor property conditions, but these rely on reporting, something which tenants are often reluctant to do for fear of retaliatory action by landlords. Licensing gives a clear statement of what is expected, both for landlords and tenants. Through the increased proactivity required by licensing and compliance with licence conditions, the Council hopes to see a significant improvement in property conditions in the PRS, one which matches its ambition for high quality homes for everyone in Nottingham, irrespective of tenure.

As part of the proposal a review of the Council's existing licensing schemes was undertaken. This illustrates the effect licensing can have in improving property conditions and demonstrates the track record that the Council has in using licensing schemes as an effective tool to improve property conditions.

The review of both schemes highlights that less than half of landlords (44% mandatory and 45% additional licensing scheme) are not compliant with standards on the first compliance inspections. We know that when the Council inspects properties compliance levels increase and therefore property conditions are improved. This is evidenced through the relatively low level of enforcement actions taken by the Council. The review also highlighted that of the licences issued under additional licensing, 72% required additional conditions or had restrictions placed on the licence. This demonstrates how licensing allows the Council to impose additional conditions to address specific problems that are identified with properties.

Deprivation

In large parts of the proposed designation, the Council is relying on the City's high levels of deprivation as a condition for introducing a selective licensing scheme. Nottingham scores particularly poorly on income, health, crime, and living

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environment. Areas where there is the greatest deprivation are also areas where some of the greatest health inequalities exist within the City. Selective licensing alone will not improve the City's performance in terms of deprivation, but it can play a part. Poorly maintained and ineffectively managed homes will inevitably have a negative impact on the range of indicators used to measure deprivation.

Selective licensing, also helps to tackle homelessness by providing a two pronged approach that both addresses the issues that lead to homelessness and by providing an increased supply of higher quality accommodation for those displaced by it. Raising standards of management and property conditions helps to increase the supply of homes which meet the standards required to allow the fulfilment of homelessness duties via the PRS. At the same time selective licensing will tackle and help to reduce instances of poor management that may lead to households losing their homes and presenting for homelessness assistance. Having a good quality, stable home also helps other vulnerable tenants such as jobseekers. If housing conditions are improved and the overall quality of housing rises, it will contribute to the Council's overall ambition to reduce deprivation and ensure that all of its citizens can enjoy the City's prosperity. The Scheme will also provide an opportunity to assist other vulnerable tenants through safeguarding, prevention of exploitation and signposting tenants to services that will support improved health, for example assistance such as smoking cessation or prevention of fuel poverty.

Introducing licensing with it's relevant conditions and inspection regime, signposting for wider benefit and proposals for joint working and opportunistic approach for supportive funding for improvement such as energy initiatives will assist with matters such as reducing fuel poverty, increased health and wellbeing, less sickness absence from work and school all of which will support increased household income and health.

The Council can also clearly demonstrate the effect its existing schemes have had on improving property conditions, where it is easier to effect shorter term improvements, in the HMO sector. The outcomes of this are evidenced through the decrease in complaints relating to housing conditions. The Council believes that these improvements in property conditions will directly lead in the longer term to a reduction in deprivation being experienced not only in the properties that are licensed but in the wider community. The Council is able to evidence through the improvements to property in the social rented sector that improvements in property conditions lead to improvement in health. The Council believes that further licensing via the proposed scheme will also enable the Council to improve conditions in the wider PRS where they are clearly needed.

The proposed scheme of selective licensing fits entirely with the Council's vision that every neighbourhood is safe, clean and a great place to live. Existing initiatives and the exercise of available powers have not brought about the improvement in the City's PRS which is needed: there is no practical and beneficial alternative to the proposed scheme

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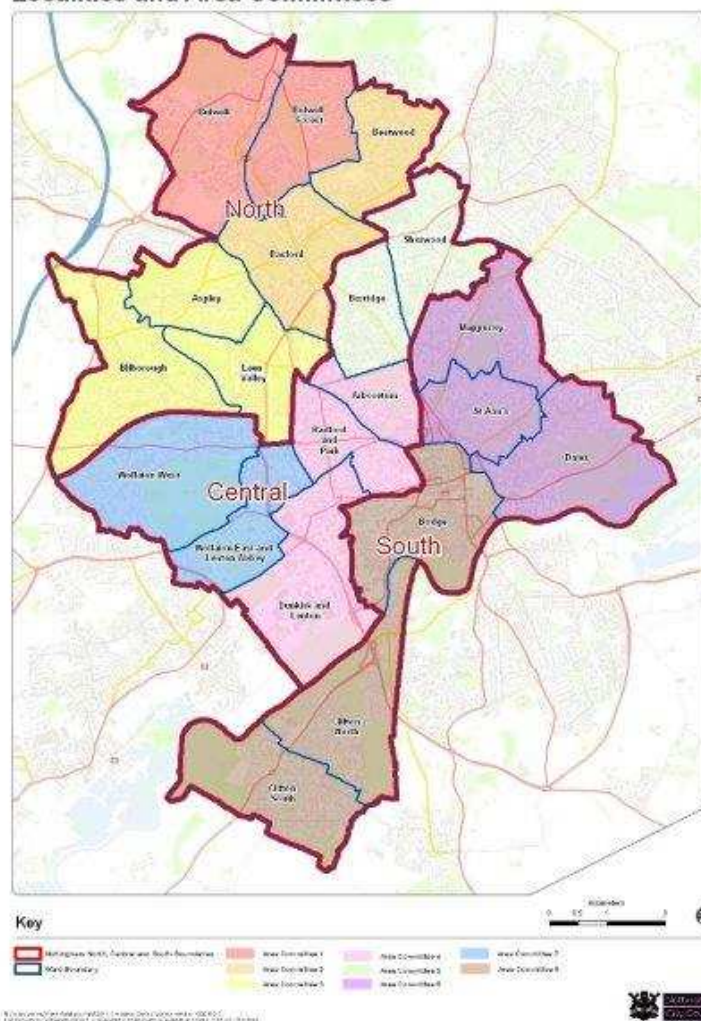


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Bulwell and Bulwell Forest Area Committee – 22 February 2017

Title of paper:	Bulwell Riverside and Southglade Libraries - Update to opening hours	
Director(s)/ Corporate Director(s):	Director of Sport and Leisure (Hugh White)	Wards affected: Bulwell / Bulwell Forest
Report author(s) and contact details:	Lucy Batten, Library Operations Manager North 01158765894	
Other colleagues who have provided input:		
Date of consultation with Portfolio Holder(s) (if relevant)	n/a	
Relevant Council Plan Key Theme:		
Strategic Regeneration and Development		<input type="checkbox"/>
Schools		<input type="checkbox"/>
Planning and Housing		<input type="checkbox"/>
Community Services		<input type="checkbox"/>
Energy, Sustainability and Customer		<input type="checkbox"/>
Jobs, Growth and Transport		<input type="checkbox"/>
Adults, Health and Community Sector		<input type="checkbox"/>
Children, Early Intervention and Early Years		<input type="checkbox"/>
Leisure and Culture		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Resources and Neighbourhood Regeneration		<input type="checkbox"/>
Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/service users):		
<p>Change to opening hours across libraries, with significant changes to the opening hours at Bulwell Riverside library and Ask Desk.</p> <p>Updated information regarding Southglade Library. There is a slight change to opening hours at Southglade library; there will be no loss in hours.</p>		
Recommendation(s):		
1	<p>For the Committee to note the following change to opening hours, in line with the results of public consultation and phase two of the library transformation programme</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current hours 8am till 8pm Mon-Fri and 8am till 4pm Sat • Proposed 8.30am till 6.30pm Mon-Fri and 9am till 1pm Sat <p>Southglade Library change to hours</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current hours 9.30am till 5.30pm Mon, Tues, Thurs. Closed Wednesday, Friday 1pm till 6pm, Saturday 9.30am till 4pm • Proposed hours 9am till 6pm Mon, Wed, Thurs, Closed Tuesday, Friday and Saturday 9am till 1pm 	

1 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.1 Within the library service we have aimed to bring all Joint Service Centres (JSC'S) across the city to be open the same hours. Currently Bulwell Riverside Library and Ask Desk is opened considerably longer hours than any other JSC (8am till 8pm)
- 1.2 Since early 2015, Bulwell Riverside has experienced anti-social behaviour and most of this is in the evenings. The changes to the opening times will have a positive impact/reduction on anti-social behaviour within the centre.
- 1.3 Feedback from citizens and staff supported the proposals (no negative feedback from citizens) and as part of this has now been put through for changes
- 1.4 Southglade Library will have a slight change to opening hours but won't have any loss or gain to the overall number of hours. The changes to Southglade will see the day they are closed change from Wednesday to Tuesday and will see a half an hour earlier opening and half an hour later closing for 3 days of the week. Fridays will change from AM closure to PM closure.

2 BACKGROUND (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)

- 2.1 The library service started phase 2 of our transformation programme in September 2016, and as part of this we have carried out a review of opening hours across the service.
- 2.2 Our aim was to rationalise library opening hours across Nottingham. There has been no formal review for 3 years and our current hours were not felt to be the most appropriate in some locations. Some libraries currently close at lunchtime and there is often no clear pattern of opening for citizens to easily remember.
- 2.3 As part of this review, we proposed a set of opening hours across the Joint Service Centres, which would allow all centres to establish the same working patterns.
- 2.4 The proposed changes were sent out to public consultation and feedback received from the public was in favour of changes to Bulwell Riverside.
- 2.5 In addition to the alignment of Joint Service Centres, we are aiming to bring opening hours for all our community libraries in line with each other. This is why there will be a change to some of the smaller community libraries such as Southglade.

3 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 Longer hours for Joint Service Centres in line with Central Library opening alongside shorter hours at smaller community libraries

4 FINANCE COMMENTS (INCLUDING IMPLICATIONS AND VALUE FOR MONEY/VAT)

- 4.1 Financially this will bring all libraries in line and provide cost effectiveness across the service.

With new opening times we will also be implementing new rotas for staff that mean a saving on lunch periods and unified working patterns

5 LEGAL AND PROCUREMENT COMMENTS (INCLUDING RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES, AND LEGAL, CRIME AND DISORDER ACT AND PROCUREMENT IMPLICATIONS)

- 5.1 As part of phase two of the libraries transformation programme, we have maintained consultation with HR, Unions, Councillors as well as public

6 STRATEGIC ASSETS & PROPERTY COMMENTS (FOR DECISION RELATING TO ALL PROPERTY ASSETS AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE) (AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS ONLY)

- 6.1 n/a

7 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 7.1 The equality impact of the proposals in this report have been assessed and due regard will be given to any implications identified in it.

8 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS OTHER THAN PUBLISHED WORKS OR THOSE DISCLOSING CONFIDENTIAL OR EXEMPT INFORMATION

- 8.1 None

9 PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT

- 9.1 Consultation documents

Joint Service Centres

LIBRARY	Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday
Bulwell	8.30-6.30		8.30-6.30		8.30-6.30		8.30-6.30		8.30-6.30		9.00 - 1.00
Hyson Green/Mary Potter	8.30-6.30		8.30-6.30		8.30-6.30		8.30-6.30		8.30-6.30		9.00-1.00
St Anns	8.30-6.30		8.30-6.30		8.30-6.30		8.30-6.30		8.30-6.30		9.00-1.00

Community Libraries

LIBRARY	Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday
Southglade	9am – 6pm		Closed		9am – 6pm		9am – 6pm		9am till 1pm		9.00 - 1.00
Bilborough	9am – 6pm		9am – 6pm		Closed		9am – 6pm		9.00-1.00		9.00-1.00

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Bulwell and Bulwell Forest Area Committee– 22nd February 2017

Title of paper:	Nottingham City Homes Update and Approvals	
Director(s)/ Corporate Director(s):	Nick Murphy, Chief Executive of Nottingham City Homes	Wards affected: Bulwell and Bulwell Forest Area Committee
Report author(s) and contact details:	Elira Mano, Area Housing Manager, Elira.Mano@nottinghamcityhomes.org.uk	
Other colleagues who have provided input:	N/A	
Date of consultation with Portfolio Holder(s) (if relevant)	N/A	
Relevant Council Plan Key Theme:		
Strategic Regeneration and Development		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Schools		<input type="checkbox"/>
Planning and Housing		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Community Services		<input type="checkbox"/>
Energy, Sustainability and Customer		<input type="checkbox"/>
Jobs, Growth and Transport		<input type="checkbox"/>
Adults, Health and Community Sector		<input type="checkbox"/>
Children, Early Intervention and Early Years		<input type="checkbox"/>
Leisure and Culture		<input type="checkbox"/>
Resources and Neighbourhood Regeneration		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/service users):		
The report provides updates on key issues and themes which link back to local priorities and the strategic themes for Nottingham City Homes.		
The reports provide summary updates on the following key themes:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capital Programme and major work; • area regeneration and environmental issues; • key messages from the Tenant and Leasehold Congress; • Tenant and Residents Associations updates; • area performance; • good news stories and positive publicity. 		
Recommendation(s):		
1	To note and comment on the update and performance information in Appendices 1 and 2.	
2	To note the allocation of funds for 2016/17, detailed in Appendix 3.	
3	To approve the Area Capital Programme funding request set out in Appendix 3.	

1 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.1 The Nottingham City Homes Update provides a descriptive and statistical picture of what is happening at an area level and invite community representatives to comment, debate, and challenge and identify how they can add value to improve their neighbourhoods.

- 1.2 The update also monitors progress in the wards and acts as a catalyst for debate about the key performance issues impacting upon the ward on a quarterly basis.

2 BACKGROUND (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)

- 2.1 Nottingham City Homes previously reported on performance at local Area Panels that sat below the respective Area Committees. These panels were attended by local residents, local Councillors and partner agencies.
- 2.2 Nottingham City Homes has a goal to 'create homes and places where people want to live' and to give tenants and leaseholders an input in shaping what happens in their area. The Nottingham City Homes Update and Performance Report is one of a number of initiatives that increases the transparency and accountability of the Company's performance.
- 2.3 Following the decision for Nottingham City Homes reps to attend Area Committee, it was decided to provide the Nottingham City Homes Update Report to Area Committee. Appendices 1 and 2 provide the latest performance position for the committee to note and comment on.
- 2.4 Appendix 3 outlines the remaining capital budget for this area for noting and provides detail of the schemes that require approval by the Committee.

3 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 None

4 FINANCE COMMENTS (INCLUDING IMPLICATIONS AND VALUE FOR MONEY/VAT)

- 4.1 Budgets are allocated on a yearly basis for each ward and there is an obligation on Nottingham City Homes to ensure that funds are allocated to projects within these budget requirements

5 LEGAL AND PROCUREMENT COMMENTS (INCLUDING RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES, AND LEGAL, CRIME AND DISORDER ACT AND PROCUREMENT IMPLICATIONS)

- 5.1 None

6 STRATEGIC ASSETS & PROPERTY COMMENTS (FOR DECISION RELATING TO ALL PROPERTY ASSETS AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE) (AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS ONLY)

- 6.1 None

7 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 7.1 Has the equality impact of the proposals in this report been assessed?

No



An EIA is not required because:
(Please explain why an EIA is not necessary)

Yes

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Attached as Appendix x, and due regard will be given to any implications identified in it.

8 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS OTHER THAN PUBLISHED WORKS OR THOSE DISCLOSING CONFIDENTIAL OR EXEMPT INFORMATION

8.1 None

9 PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT

9.1 None

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NCH update report – Appendix 1

Date: 02.02.2017

Presented by: Elira Mano, Area Housing Manager



	Item	Executive Summary / Key Points	For information or decision
1	Capital Programme & major works	<p><u>Demolition</u> Garages on Ragdale Road, Bulwell are being demolished to make way for new build properties, built by NCH.</p> <p><u>Sprinkler installation</u> A resident's event was held about the sprinkler installation on Thursday 12 January, 2pm to 6pm, at Springhead and Holwood Courts, Hoefield Crescent, Crabtree Farm.</p>	Information
2	Area Regeneration and Environmental Issues	<p><u>Bulwell</u></p> <p><u>Norwich Gardens</u> –We are currently planning and costing up phase 5 of this project due to the high successes of the previous phases and the positive impact our works have had on the residents in this area. We aim to be back on site in the New Year to deliver phase 5 as funding towards this project was agreed at last area committee.</p> <p><u>Duchess Gardens</u> We have recently completed phase one of this project, and this has been delivered to numbers 6-9 of Duchess Gardens. We have improved security for these 4 residents and made their external space more</p>	Information

		<p>useable. We hope this project will have a positive impact on their health and wellbeing.</p> <p>We are now also looking at phase 2 of this project to deliver some improvements to the rest of the estate, predominantly to consider how we can allow each property to have their own private space. The current open plan layout of this area, causes issues in relation to ASB and nuisance and residents have stated that they would feel safer with their own private gardens. We just have to consider how this can work for all properties and ensuring the maintenance elements are covered. We have enlisted an architect to produce some designs for us that we aim to take to a consultation event in March with the residents.</p> <p><u>South Snape Road</u> We have recently upgraded the dilapidated fencing with a high quality metal railing to uplift the area and improve security.</p> <p><u>Bulwell Forest</u> NCH are looking at the Colston Road flats to consider how we could improve the external space and landscaping around the site, to make it more attractive and fit for purpose for residents to enjoy. The Decent Neighbourhoods Manager has visited the site with a horticultural contractor and we are now going to proceed with a detailed design fee for this work. We will work with local teams and residents to ensure consultation is undertaken before any plans are finalised and funding requested. We have a consultation event at the end of January to start the engagement process with residents.</p> <p><u>Crabtree Road</u> We're currently consulting with the residents of Crabtree Road about improving access from the grass bank to cars parked on the road. Currently the grass bank is steep and tenants and residents have to walk down the bank to their cars parked on the road.</p>	
3	Key messages from the Tenant and Leasehold Congress	<p><u>TPAS Accreditation</u> Nottingham City Homes has successfully achieved Landlord reaccreditation from the Tenant Participation Advisory Service (TPAS) in resident Involvement. The award acknowledges that NCH are leaders in best practice nationally when it comes to keeping our customers informed and involved by delivering NCH News to every household four times a year, our growing use of social media, our annual Tenant Fun Day which attracts some 600 people and the Tenant and Leaseholder Awards that</p>	X






		<p>showcases the work of individuals and community groups across the city. In addition we were recognised for our tenant representation on the NCH board and through tenants directly helping to improve services through our customer panels, neighbourhood inspections and tenant scrutiny.</p> <p><u>Tenant and Leaseholder Awards 2017</u> Nominations have been coming in thick and fast for the next NCH Tenant and Leaseholder Awards 2017. Every year we recognise individuals and groups who go that extra mile for members of their community. There are 11 award categories and 8 of these are open to the wider community to nominate projects. Nominations closed on Friday 20th January 2017 with the shortlist to be announced once the judging panel have met in February – Keep your eyes peeled. All shortlisted nominees will be invited to the Awards night to be held at the Council House in March.</p>	
4	Tenant and Residents Associations updates	<p><u>Bulwell Hall TRA</u> The TRA continue to work on improving the community facilities on the Totley Close playing fields and have recently took delivery of 2 new football posts paid for by a Sport England grant. The group held 2 very successful Christmas events, one for the over 55s and children on the Bulwell Hall Estate.</p> <p><u>CRESTA</u> The group now meet bi monthly with the next meeting taking place on 1st February at 6pm. The group continue to work with local councillors, Police and Nottingham city Homes to address issues of concern in their area.</p> <p><u>The People's Choice TRA</u> The group have been actively supporting the Crabtree community Centre to develop its offer in the local community and are working with Rebalancing the North to deliver a community arts project to redecorate the pedestrian underpass leading on to the estate.</p> <p><u>Top Valley TRA</u> The TRA meet bi monthly at the Top Valley Community Centre with the next meeting taking place in March.</p> <p><u>HART</u> The TRA hold regular monthly meetings at Duchess Gardens Common Room and encourage local residents to attend and air their concerns. Next meeting Wednesday 22nd February 2017 at 7pm</p>	X

6	Good news stories & positive publicity	<p><u>Housing drop in surgeries</u></p> <p>We now have regular housing drop in surgeries across Bulwell, offering advice and support to NCH residents.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Duchess Gardens Community centre, 10:30am to 12:30pm, first Wednesday of the month • Sketchley Court, 9am to 10.30am, second Wednesday of the month • Crabtree Farm Community Centre, 9am to 11am, first Wednesday of the month. • Old Highbury Vale – Southwark Primary School, 3:00pm to 3:45pm, next session is on Thursday 9 February <p><u>Swim or Fit for a £1</u></p> <p>For £1 tenants and leaseholders can use the gym or attend fitness classes at any of the Nottingham City Council fitness centres. This offer is currently running alongside the very successful swim for a £1 running at any Nottingham city council swimming pools.</p> <p>For more information and to register contact NCH Involvement Team on 0115 746 9100 or visit www.fitinthecommunity.com</p> <p><u>Fit In the Community Sessions</u></p> <p>Wednesday – Yoga, 10-11am, Bulwell Tesco Community Room</p> <p>Thursday - Zumba, 09.45-10.30am, Bulwell Healthy Living Centre</p> <p>Boxercise, 7-8pm, Crabtree Farm Community Centre</p> <p><u>Tenant Academy</u></p> <p>All tenant Academy courses are free to NCH tenants and groups. A range of courses are available for tenants and leaseholders to access from Lunch and learn money matters, IT and construction skills to starting your own business.</p> <p>For a full list of courses and booking details contact the Involvement Team on 0115 746 9100 or visit www.nottinghamcityhomes.org.uk/get-involved/tenant-academy/</p>	X
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AC1-1 Anti-social behaviour

Performance indicator and definition	Target	2016/17			2015/16	2014/15	Latest Note
		Value	Status	Long Trend	Value	Value	
% of ASB cases resolved – Bulwell <i>Note: This PI measures the proportion of ASB cases NCH has successfully resolved. Data for this PI is not available by ward and is reported by Housing Office.</i>	99%	100%			100%	100%	Excellent performance this month where all 22 cases were successfully resolved. This reflects robust case management where regular meetings regarding cases ensuring correct direction is taken at an early stage. In addition, this is reflective of the customer focused ASB service and effective partnership working.
% of ASB cases resolved by first intervention – Bulwell <i>Note: This PI monitors how many ASB cases NCH resolved on the first intervention e.g. written warning. Data for this indicator is not available by ward and is reported by Housing Office.</i>	85%	95.29%			90.2%	74.13%	Out of 22 cases only one case has been resolved on second intervention. Nevertheless, the percentage of cases resolved on the first intervention in Bulwell continues to exceed target. This reflects the Housing Patch Manager's ability to effectively manage and resolve cases which supports our aim to deliver a 'right first time' customer service. TEMs will continue to maintain robust monitoring through one to ones and TEM React Reviews.
Tenant satisfaction with the ASB service <i>Note: . Overall tenant satisfaction with the ASB service - The average score (out of 10) for each survey question. Data for this indicator is not available by ward..</i>	8.5				7.1	7.51	Tenant satisfaction with the ASB service has improved. We received the highest scores for the support provided, ease of reporting, and willingness to report ASB in the future. CommUNITY mediation service will be launched in the summer to support early intervention and is expected to positively impact on customer satisfaction To further drive performance improvement we will continue to undertake regular case supervision and regular case quality checks.







AC1-2 Repairs

Performance indicator and definition	Target	2016/17			2015/16	2014/15	Latest Note
		Value	Status	Long Trend	Value	Value	
% of repairs completed in target – AC - Bulwell & Bulwell Forest <i>Note: This PI monitors the proportion of repairs being completed within agreed timescales.</i>	96%	96.36%			96.59%	97.82%	Performance target being achieved despite issues with plumbing backlog in summer.
% of repairs completed in target – Bulwell Forest <i>Note: This PI monitors the proportion of repairs being completed within agreed timescales.</i>	96%	96.12%			96.43%	97.96%	Performance target being achieved despite issues with plumbing backlog in summer.
% of repairs completed in target – Bulwell Ward <i>Note: This PI monitors the proportion of repairs being completed within agreed timescales.</i>	96%	96.42%			96.63%	97.78%	Performance target being achieved despite issues with plumbing backlog in summer.
Tenant satisfaction with the repairs service <i>Note: Data for this PI is only available citywide</i>	9.1	9.08			9.1	8.9	Performance is in target for the month at 9.2% .With performance at 9.08 for the year we continue to look at introducing service improvements through the repairs modernisation and monitor customer satisfaction data to highlight and inform these service improvements. These improvements have been added to an action plan that covers the whole of R&M to improve customers satisfaction with the service. We are also currently piloting new customer service cards.

AC1-3 Rent Collection







Performance indicator and definition	Target	2016/17			2015/16	2014/15	Latest Note
		Value	Status	Long Trend	Value	Value	
<p>% of rent collected</p> <p><i>Note: This PI measures the amount of rent collected (including tenant arrears) as a percentage of rent due for the current year. Data for this indicator is not available by ward and is reported city wide.</i></p> <p><i>Trend shows as improving if value is over 100% as arrears are decreasing.</i></p>	100%	101.22 %			100.25%	100.56%	We are still slightly behind target and also slightly behind the position at this point last year. However there has been an improvement incrementally over the year, and we have measures in place to maximise our collection over the final quarter in order to achieve our end of year target. There is a "Rent First" campaign being re-launched during January with internal and external communications to raise the awareness of the importance of paying rent. The rents team is also taking part in a week of action from 23rd January to target accounts where we have struggled to gain contact or payment.
<p>% of tenancies ending due to eviction</p> <p><i>Note: This PI monitors the percentage of tenants being evicted due to rent arrears and is reported citywide.</i></p>	0.45%	0.42%			0.43%	0.56%	We are below target and have carried out less evictions that at this point last year. We have evicted 76 tenants for rent arrears so far this financial year. At the same point last year we had evicted 83. We continue to focus on tenancy sustainment and supporting our tenants who find themselves in financial difficulty.

AC1-4a Empty properties - Average relet time







Performance indicator and definition	Target	2016/17			2015/16	2014/15	Latest Note
		Value	Status	Long Trend	Value	Value	
<p>Average void re-let time (calendar days) – AC - Bulwell & Bulwell Forest</p> <p><i>Note: This PI measures how long it takes NCH to re-let empty properties from the end of the old tenancy to the start of the new tenancy</i></p>	25	19.84			20.4	24.75	<p>Void performance summary: There are currently 25 empty properties in the Area Committee 1 area. The average time to relet properties in the Area Committee 1 area is 25 days. There have been 215 new lettings this year. The city wide time to let empty properties is 26. Our voids processes have recently undergone a review. In the long term this should result in an improvement in performance. There are still some long term/hard to let properties in the system which have an adverse effect on performance. The longest a property has been empty in this area is 5 weeks. The lettings service houses around 200 families each month around the city.</p>
<p>Average void re-let time (calendar days) – Bulwell Forest Ward</p> <p><i>Note: This PI measures how long it takes NCH to re-let empty properties from the end of the old tenancy to the start of the new tenancy</i></p>	25	9.96			20.19	25.4	<p>Void performance summary: There are currently 3 empty properties in the Bulwell Forest ward area. The average time to relet properties in the Bulwell Forest ward area is 25 days. There have been 43 new lettings this year. The city wide time to let empty properties is 26. Our voids processes have recently undergone a review. In the long term this should result in an improvement in performance. There are still some long term/hard to let properties in the system which have an adverse effect on performance. The longest a property has been empty in this area is 2 weeks. The lettings service houses around 200 families each month around the city.</p>
<p>Average void re-let time (calendar days) – Bulwell Ward</p> <p><i>Note: This PI measures how</i></p>	25	22.52			20.45	24.59	<p>Void performance summary: There are currently 22 empty properties in the Bulwell ward area. The average time to relet properties in the Bulwell ward area is 25 days. There have been 172 new lettings this year. The city wide time to let empty properties is 26. Our voids</p>

long it takes NCH to re-let empty properties from the end of the old tenancy to the start of the new tenancy							processes have recently undergone a review. In the long term this should result in an improvement in performance. There are still some long term/hard to let properties in the system which have an adverse effect on performance. The longest a property has been empty in this area is 5 weeks. The lettings service houses around 200 families each month around the city.
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AC1-4b Empty properties - Lettable voids

Performance indicator and definition	Target	2016/17			2015/16	2014/15	Latest Note
		Value	Status	Long Trend	Value	Value	
Number of lettable voids – AC - Bulwell & Bulwell Forest <i>Note: Lettable voids are empty properties available for re-letting. They will receive repair work and then be re-let to a new tenant.</i>		24			31	25	The number decreased by nine since the previous report
Number of lettable voids – Bulwell Forest Ward <i>Note: Lettable voids are empty properties available for re-letting. They will receive repair work and then be re-let to a new tenant.</i>		7			4	3	The number increased by one since the previous report
Number of lettable voids – Bulwell Ward <i>Note: Lettable voids are empty properties available for re-letting. They will receive repair work and then be re-let to a new tenant.</i>		17			27	22	The number decreased by ten since the previous report

AC1-4c Empty properties - Decommissioning

Performance indicator and definition	Target	2016/17			2015/16	2014/15	Latest Note
		Value	Status	Long Trend	Value	Value	
Number of empty properties awaiting decommission – AC - Bulwell & Bulwell Forest <i>Note: This PI shows the number of empty properties which will not be re-let and includes those being decommissioned and / or demolished.</i>		0			0	0	No properties at present
Number of empty properties awaiting decommission – Bulwell Forest Ward <i>Note: This PI shows the number of empty properties which will not be re-let and includes those being decommissioned and / or demolished.</i>		0			0	0	No properties at present
Number of empty properties awaiting decommission – Bulwell Ward <i>Note: This PI shows the number of empty properties which will not be re-let and includes those being decommissioned and / or demolished.</i>		0			0	0	No properties at present

AC1-5 Tenancy sustainment

Performance indicator and definition	Target	2016/17			2015/16	2014/15	Latest Note
		Value	Status	Long Trend	Value	Value	
<p>Percentage of new tenancies sustained - AC - Bulwell & Bulwell Forest</p> <p><i>Note: This PI measures the number of new tenants who are still in their tenancy 12 months later.</i></p>	96.5%	93.26%			94.23%	96.36%	<p>Housing Patch Managers continue to remain focussed on making sure that support is available to our tenants to sustain their tenancies. As Pre Terms visits are no longer completed by Tenancy and Estate, we are currently carrying out an analysis to evaluate the reasons why tenants chose to terminate their tenancies before 12 months. This information should assist us to identify any trends and therefore assist us to improve the performance.</p>

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APPENDIX 3

Area	Ward	Actual Budget (including carry over from 2015/16)	Schemes Approved	Schemes Committed	Schemes De Committed	Remaining Budget
1	Bulwell	£186,832.39	£85,983.00	£85,983.00	£0	£100,849.39
1	Bulwell Forest	£51,086.58	£2,168.00	£2,168.00	£0	£47,518.58

Address	Request	Reason	Nottingham City Homes Officer	Cost	Approval
Deptford Crescent	Number stickers for bins	Reduce the risk of bin theft and tidy up the estate.	Leanne Hoban	£1,600.00	Approval
Deptford Crescent	Removal of bollards and install knee rail fencing	Prevent vehicles driving over the grass and churning up the green space.	Leanne Hoban	£4,425.00	Approval

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BULWELL AND BULWELL FOREST AREA COMMITTEE– 22 FEBRUARY 2017

Title of paper:	Bulwell and Bulwell Forest Ward Reports	
Director(s)/ Corporate Director(s):	Dave Halstead Director of Neighbourhood Services	Wards affected: Bulwell and Bulwell Forest
Report author(s) and contact details:	Celia Knight – Neighbourhood Development Officer, Bulwell Forest Ward celia.knight@nottinghamcity.gov.uk Tel 0115 8833729 Suki Shergill – Neighbourhood Development Officer, Bulwell Ward sukhbir.shergill@nottinghamcity.gov.uk Tel 0115 8833728	
Other colleagues who have provided input:	Gursharan Singh Nijran – Senior Neighbourhood Development Officer Gursharan.nijran@nottinghamcity.gov.uk Tel 0115 8833734	
Date of consultation with Portfolio Holder(s) (if relevant)	Councillor Graham Chapman 12th November 2015	
Relevant Council Plan Key Theme:		
Strategic Regeneration and Development		<input type="checkbox"/>
Schools		<input type="checkbox"/>
Planning and Housing		<input type="checkbox"/>
Community Services		<input type="checkbox"/>
Energy, Sustainability and Customer		<input type="checkbox"/>
Jobs, Growth and Transport		x
Adults, Health and Community Sector		x
Children, Early Intervention and Early Years		<input type="checkbox"/>
Leisure and Culture		<input type="checkbox"/>
Resources and Neighbourhood Regeneration		<input type="checkbox"/>
Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/service users): This report focusses on current priorities and issues facing this ward and provides details of forth coming events and activities. The report replaces the previous Performance report which used operational data supplied by the Crime and Drugs Partnership.		
Recommendation(s):		
1	That the priorities, current issues and supporting information for the Bulwell and Bulwell Forest are noted and comments welcomed.	

1 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

1.1 Each Ward manages a set of priorities and key issues through regular meetings of its Neighbourhood Action Team (NAT). These meetings are led by Neighbourhood Development Officers (NDOs) and supported by core partners including Nottingham City Homes (NCH), Neighbourhood Policing, Community Protection, Children and Early Help, City Services / Waste Management; Fire and Rescue Services and Health.

1.2 Ward Councillors are also invited to participate in these meetings.

- 1.3 Ward priorities are identified and informed from a range of sources including Citizens, Councillors, Partners and Officers and current issues will be updated for each area committee.
- 1.4 The list of events and activities will take account of the work which all NDOs undertake with partner organisations within their Ward and shows the depth of activity in place working alongside neighbourhood management to improve social cohesion and tackle priorities at a ward and area level.

2 BACKGROUND (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)

- 2.1 Bulwell and Bulwell Forest Wards sit within the wider Area 1 Committee which adopted three area based priorities at the Area Committee meeting on November 25th 2016 – Health and Wellbeing, Employment, including un-employability, Crime and anti-social behaviour.
- 2.2 These priorities demonstrate a link to the City Council's current ambitions contained in the latest City Council Plan 2015 - 19. Actions for each priority will be developed and led by appropriate service teams and partnerships. The Area priorities were reported to the last West Area Committee on February 17th 2016 and will be updated at each area Committee.
- 2.3 The area priorities listed in 2.1 sit within wider pieces of work and broader agendas which are being addressed by multi agency approaches across the City. At a Ward level it is important to identify how some of these more complex priorities can be worked on at local levels – either ward or area by introducing local solutions. This could, for example, include more targeted use of funding such as Ward Councillor budgets to support healthy eating initiatives or the use of Area Capital to develop an outdoor gym facility.
- 2.4 The current Ward priorities which have been reported previously through the area committee performance reports are shown in Appendix 1. These priorities will be updated for each area committee, taking into account discussions at NAT meetings and various groups and activities involving local residents.
- 2.5 Appendix 2 sets out the current key issues.
- 2.6 Appendix 3 highlights the forthcoming opportunities for citizens to engage in events and activities in their neighbourhoods.

3 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 None

4 FINANCE COMMENTS (INCLUDING IMPLICATIONS AND VALUE FOR MONEY/VAT)

- 4.1 None

5 LEGAL AND PROCUREMENT COMMENTS (INCLUDING RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES, AND LEGAL, CRIME AND DISORDER ACT AND PROCUREMENT IMPLICATIONS)

5.1 None

6 STRATEGIC ASSETS & PROPERTY COMMENTS (FOR DECISION RELATING TO ALL PROPERTY ASSETS AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE) (AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS ONLY)

6.1 None

7 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

7.1 Has the equality impact of the proposals in this report been assessed?

No

An EIA is not required because this is not a new or changing policy, service or Function. Appendix 3 highlights the forthcoming opportunities for citizens to engage in events and activities in their neighbourhoods

8 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS OTHER THAN PUBLISHED WORKS OR THOSE DISCLOSING CONFIDENTIAL OR EXEMPT INFORMATION

8.1 None

9 PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT

9.1 None

Appendix 1
Bulwell Ward

Safer Nottingham

Priority	Lead	Progress Since last Area Committee
Anti social behaviour and Criminal Damage	Police/Community Protection	Continue to encourage reporting and targeting hotspots. Door to door consultations carried out on hotspots.
White Ribbon Campaign	Neighbourhood Management	White ribbon stall has been held. About 160 people were engaged with, and 6 were referrals for further advice on Domestic Violence.

Neighbourhood Nottingham

Priority	Lead	Progress Since last Area Committee
Dog Fouling/Fly tipping Reduction	Community Protection, NOM & Neighbourhood Management	Two CCTV cameras are in progress of being purchased and placed on Blenheim and Commercial road. Further Cleans up are being organised around the Tesco area.

Families Nottingham

Priority	Lead	Progress Since last Area Committee
Big Steps Small Changes	City care/Schools/Toy Library/Early Years	Continuous family mentors visiting & engaging with families/range of activities being offered.
School readiness	Early years/Toy Library	Programme is up & running.

Health Nottingham

Priority	Lead	Progress Since last Area Committee
Healthy Eating in schools (obesity reduction)	Early years	Provision of advice and information is ongoing.
Information /Awareness on reduction of bowel& Lung cancer	Public health/Neighbourhood Management	Ongoing awareness raising at events to take up testing and health advice via leaflets/information stalls.
Priority	Lead	Progress Since last Area Committee
Maximising employment opportunities for local people.	Neighbourhood Management	NCH delivering back to work skills. Weekly job club at Riverside. The Circulation of jobs through community networks. Exploring the possibility of LIDL and Costa targeting jobs locally.

Bulwell Forest Ward

Safer Nottingham

Priority	Lead	Progress Since last Area Committee
Anti social behaviour	Police/Community Protection	A CCTV camera has been moved to a location where it is hoped it will help to provide evidence in relation to ongoing ASB
Criminal damage on Bulwell Forest Community garden	Police/NM	Information has been circulated on my Bulwell Facebook and through other means to raise awareness. Police have patrolled the area and options to improve safety have been explored. NCH apprentices have helped to repair the damage.

Neighbourhood Nottingham

Priority	Lead	Progress Since last Area Committee
Increased tenant/resident engagement particularly around the Deptford crescent area Neighbourhood	Neighbourhood Management/NCH	A project is planned to knock on all doors on the estate beginning with a pilot project on Northcote Way.
Management of vacant sites 80 e 75	Management/Community Protection	Contact has been made with relevant owners where necessary e.g. to arrange for graffiti to be removed. Sites are regularly monitored and action taken where necessary.
Development of parks and open spaces	Parks/NM	Additional play equipment has been installed on Latimer Park. A workshop is taking place with children from Stanstead School to build bat boxes for the Hucknall Linear Walkway. Another workshop is being planned to involve residents in making art work for the walkway as part of the Wren bid.
Dog Fouling	Community Protection/NM	Community Protection continues to carry out undercover operations in the area and will now start asking to see the bag that dog walkers should be carrying.
Tree Planting	NM/Tree services	80 trees have been planted in the last 18 months. Further tree planting will take place at Westglade School.

Health Nottingham

Priority	Lead	Progress Since last Area Committee
Promotion of energy advice	Neighbourhood Management	Robin Hood energy attended the Southglade ParkLive event. Energy advice was available at the Christmas Lights event. Relevant agencies have been invited to Southglade ParkLive 2017
Provision of support to carers	Neighbourhood Management	Various stalls providing information to carers have been invited to events in the ward in 2017.

Working Nottingham

Priority	Lead	Progress Since last Area Committee
Increase access to awareness about training and employment opportunities. Page 76	Neighbourhood Management	Information about local jobs has been posted onto My Bulwell Facebook. An employment forum meets every two months involving local organisations involved with helping people back to work. A Jobs Fair is taking place at Riverside at the beginning of March. .

Appendix 2 –

List of Key Current Issues Taken from latest NAT review

Bulwell Ward

Town centre upgrade & development including the market upgrade which is currently in process.
Through current agreed schemes Parking issues and concerns are being addressed.
Reducing Anti-social behaviour.

Bulwell Forest Ward

Nuisance Bikes on parks and open spaces
Management of Derelict sites
Vandalism on Bulwell Forest Community Garden.

Appendix 3

Opportunities for citizens to engage - forthcoming dates of events and activities

Bulwell Ward

Monday February 30th 10am Snapewood Community Centre
Wednesday February 1st 6pm Cresta
Thursday 2nd February 10.30am Crabtree Community Centre
Monday 6th February 11am Ward Walk
Tuesday 14th February 10am Snapewood Community Centre
Tuesday 14th February 5.15 Peoples Choice
Wednesday February 22nd 7pm HART
February 24th 9.30am Bulwell Partnership
Thursday 2nd March Crabtree Community Centre
Tuesday 14th March 10am Snapewood Community Centre
Wednesday 15th March 10.30 am Ward Walk
Wednesday 22nd March Intergenerational Event bulwell Academy
Wednesday 29th March 7pm Hart
Wednesday 5th March 6pm Cresta
Tuesday 11th April Snapewood Community Centre
Tuesday 4th April 5.15 peoples Choice
Wednesday 26th April 6pm HART
Wednesday 3rd May 6pm Cresta

Bulwell Forest Ward

Thursday, February 23rd 10am Top Valley Ward Walk
Tuesday, March 7th 10am Austin St flats ward walk
Tuesday, March 14th 9.30am Bulwell Forest North Local Area Group
Tuesday March 14th 7pm Fun on Bulwell Forest AGM
Thursday, April 13th 7.30pm Rise Park Action Group
Thursday, April 20th 7.30pm Top Valley Tenants and Residents Association
Thursday, April 27th 10am Deptford estate ward walk
Thursday, April 27th, 6pm Bulwell Forest South Local Area Group
Tuesday, May 16th 9.30am Bulwell Forest North Local Area Group
Thursday May 18th 7.30pm Top Valley Tenants and Residents Association?
Tuesday, May 23rd 6pm Ward Walk – venue to be confirmed

Bulwell and Bulwell Forest Area Committee – 22 February 2017

Title of paper:	Area Committee Ward Priorities Action Plan	
Director(s)/ Corporate Director(s):	Dave Halstead Director, Neighbourhood Services	Wards affected: Bulwell and Bulwell Forest
Report author(s) and contact details:	Celia Knight, Neighbourhood Development Officer, Bulwell Forest Ward Tel 0115 8833729 Suki Shergill, Neighbourhood development Officer, Bulwell Ward Tel 0115 8833728	
Other colleagues who have provided input:	None	
Date of consultation with Portfolio Holder(s) (if relevant)	Councillor Graham Chapman 12th November 2015	
Relevant Council Plan Key Theme:		
Strategic Regeneration and Development		<input type="checkbox"/>
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Children, Early Intervention and Early Years		<input type="checkbox"/>
Leisure and Culture		<input type="checkbox"/>
Resources and Neighbourhood Regeneration		<input type="checkbox"/>
Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/service users): Area Committee priorities have now been reviewed through the recent round of area cluster meetings.		
Recommendation(s):		
1	That the area committee priorities and actions be noted	

1 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.1 Each area committee has now clarified its priorities for 2016/17 and have worked towards a set of actions for each priority.
- 1.2 Priorities have been set for the whole area, encompassing either two or three wards.

2 BACKGROUND (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)

- 2.1 Area committee priorities will show a clear link to the City Council's current ambitions as set out in the latest City Council Plan 2015 -19. By developing clear area focussed priorities covering two or three Wards each area Chair will be required to examine the work which is being undertaken at a 'grass roots' level to see where there may be gaps in provision or where targets and outcomes can be improved

- 2.2 A set of actions has been developed for each priority to be led by appropriate service teams and partnerships.
- 2.3 An updated Priorities Action Plan for this area committee is attached as Appendix 1

3 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 None

4 FINANCE COMMENTS (INCLUDING IMPLICATIONS AND VALUE FOR MONEY/VAT)

- 4.1 None

5 LEGAL AND PROCUREMENT COMMENTS (INCLUDING RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES, AND LEGAL, CRIME AND DISORDER ACT AND PROCUREMENT IMPLICATIONS)

- 5.1 None

6 STRATEGIC ASSETS & PROPERTY COMMENTS (FOR DECISION RELATING TO ALL PROPERTY ASSETS AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE)

- 6.1 None

7 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 7.1 Has the equality impact of the proposals in this report been assessed?

No x
An EIA is not required because this report does not relate to changing policy or functions.

8 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS OTHER THAN PUBLISHED WORKS OR THOSE DISCLOSING CONFIDENTIAL OR EXEMPT INFORMATION

- 8.1 None

9 PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT

- 9.1 None

AREA COMMITTEE PRIORITIES: 2016/17

Area Committee

Area 1

Area Committee Chair 2016/17

Councillor Ginny Klein

Current priorities

Priority 1

Employment and Employability

Priority 2

Health and Wellbeing

Priority 3

Crime and ASB

Employment & Employability actions	Progress
Information to be obtained on the work currently being undertaken by the two academies within Area 1 regarding this issue e.g. are work experience placements still offered?	Bulwell Academy offer placements and have links with NCH, Capital One and Yorkshire Bank. A modern apprentice course, learn while you work course is also on offer. The academy has a comprehensive on line and face to face careers advice service. At 18plus the academy link students into the national apprenticeship schemes.
Publicise widely any jobs, apprenticeships, training opportunities etc.	This is done through events, word of mouth, notice boards, Bulwell Facebook pages, mailing lists of organisations and individuals.
Find out what childcare is available to anyone wishing to attend training courses e.g. through the children's centres	This is limited with very little child care being on offer. NCH offer some child care for their training courses. The children's centre offers crèches dependent on the course that is attended for e.g. first aid and me and my baby.
Find out what the long term outcomes of NCH Tenants Academy courses are that are relevant to employment?	96 people had accessed employability related courses through the Tenant Academy. Of these people, 16% had gone into work and 20% had moved into further education between February and November 2015
Establish what numeracy/literacy classes are taking place locally	Adult Numeracy' and 'Introduction to English' classes are currently running every 8 weeks at Bulwell Riverside. Community groups have been asked to pass this information onto anyone who would benefit from support with English or maths;
Promote voluntary work opportunities locally as a route to employment	This is done via word of mouth, publicity, events and supporting groups to promote their activities.
Obtain information on any work being undertaken on employment issues by Small Steps Big Changes and at Mellish Sports Centre	SSBC have recruited local people from bulwell and trained them to become paid family mentors. A workforce programme offers staff and mentors a range of training opportunities to build on their skills and knowledge. Families visited through the family mentor's programmes are signposted to relevant training and employment services through the visits and engagement in activities.
Obtain information on recruitment at Fast Hands	Fast hands link directly into their local job centre in Bulwell and promote opportunities there. Other recruitment opportunities are done through their on line website.
Obtain information about the outcome of local jobs fairs	989 people attended the Jobs Fair held at Riverside last year with 145 of those people moving into work.

Health & Wellbeing Actions	Progress
Obtain information on all the health services based at Bulwell Riverside and where people come from to use these services?	A Diverse range of services are on offer that include two medical practices, patient participation group, antenatal classes, vaccinations, sexual health clinics , practice nurse, test results, screening ,minor surgery, test results, home visits etc. and a comprehensive website highlighting all services and signposting.
Find out information on the take up of various screening tests in Area 1. Is there a different take up rate between screening done at home and those done at a clinic?	Screening data is only available at a GP practice level with the permission of that practice. Generally, there is a better uptake of screening undertaken at the practice rather than the screening done at home.
How are services being signposted? What can we all do to help publicise services?	This occurs via events, publicity, word of mouth, and noticeboards, via midwives and health visitors, community board, websites, family mentors, newsletters, community group contacts. Local centres such as the children's, community centres and libraries. It is helpful if groups and officers link communities into how services are signposted as mentioned and help to promote services.
Find out the incidence of long term and multiple complex conditions within Area 1	There is a ward health profile available for Bulwell and Bulwell Forest wards with details such as incidence of various cancers, emergency admissions for COPD etc. Copies of the health profiles are available form Neighbourhood Development Officers.
Find out information about the services available for mothers and babies.	A wide range of services that include, Southglade who offer midwife 2 days a week, baby changing room etc., Bulwell Forest children's centre offer baby group's health checks etc. Bulwell Riverside offers Baby & me clinic, breastfeeding and general nutrition advice etc. Small Steps Big Changes deliver a comprehensive range of activities. Also on offer via medical practices include Springfield practice, health visiting Bump & baby antenatal clinic.
Obtain information on the services available locally for people with dementia	Various care homes specialise in supporting people with dementia. There are memory cafes in other parts of the city but one is not held locally and there are no specific dementia support services locally other than those which are available city wide.

Crime & ASB Actions	
Find out what services are available locally regarding domestic abuse and how they are publicised or how people are referred to them	A wide range is on offer that includes referral services to women's aid, police & social services (all medical centres, Riverside & Southglade, NCH, Children's centre, Play & Youth and SSBC). Youth and play refer to their safeguarding process. Referrals are made to drop in services and the freedom programme. Children's Centre Have links to the local refuge etc.
Investigate the various services available regarding ASB and how these can be publicised.	The services include direct contact with the 101 number, Community Alerts, crime stoppers. Reporting through community protection including officers on their beat. ASB also dealt with on the 999 emergency numbers. There are websites and reporting systems through the city council to report dog fouling and fly tipping. Trading standards and environmental health also offer support and advice that include noise.
Find out more information regarding the ASB hotline and the out of hours response	Out of hours response is via the 999 number , police alerts and online reporting as above that cover out of hours.
Monitor the fire incidents in Bulwell and Bulwell Forest wards and investigate the possibility of a city wide system of reporting fires across agencies.	Information on fire incidents is shared locally through the Neighbourhood Action Teams. The number of deliberate fires has generally been lower in the last couple of years due to wet weather but here has been a slight increase recently. The need for a city wide system of sharing information has been raised.
Publicise how to report fly tipping	Information on how to report fly tipping has been taken to community meetings and publicised on the My Bulwell Facebook page. Posters have been put up in key hot spot areas .
Obtain clarity on who is responsible for clearing fly tipping on public land not owned by NCC e.g. rivers, railways, NET	The Neighbourhood Development Officers have the information on who to report fly tipping to that is on public land not owned by NCC.

BULWELL AND BULWELL FOREST AREA COMMITTEE – February 22nd 2017

Title of paper:	Bulwell and Bulwell Forest Delegated Authority and Finance	
Director(s)/ Corporate Director(s):	Report of Director of Neighbourhood Services	Wards affected: Bulwell and Bulwell Forest
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Other colleagues who have provided input:	Gursharan Nijran Senior Neighbourhood Development Officer Gursharan.Nijran@nottinghamcity.gov.uk Tel 0115 8833734	
Date of consultation with Portfolio Holder(s) (if relevant)		
Relevant Council Plan Key Theme:		
Strategic Regeneration and Development		<input type="checkbox"/>
Schools		<input type="checkbox"/>
Planning and Housing		<input type="checkbox"/>
Community Services		x
Energy, Sustainability and Customer		x
Jobs, Growth and Transport		<input type="checkbox"/>
Adults, Health and Community Sector		x
Children, Early Intervention and Early Years		<input type="checkbox"/>
Leisure and Culture		<input type="checkbox"/>
Resources and Neighbourhood Regeneration		<input type="checkbox"/>
Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/service users):		
This report advises the Area Committee of the use of delegated authority by the Director of Communities.		
Recommendation(s):		
1	That the Area Committee note the actions agreed by the Director of Neighbourhood Services in respect of projects and schemes within Area 1, detailed in Appendix A.	

1 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.1 Records detailing Members spending decisions and consultation are shown in the attached Appendix. In accordance with the Constitution the Area Committee is required to note spending decisions taken by Ward Members. This report outlines the spending decisions since the report taken to the Area Committee Meeting on November 30th 2016.

2 BACKGROUND (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)

- 2.1 This action follows the arrangements established by the Executive Board to allow for Spending approvals through individual Members budget allocations and Area Committee Finances.

3 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 Not to provide the funding outlined in Appendix 1 but the funding requested will provide additional services or benefit to residents of Bulwell and Bulwell Forest wards.

4 FINANCE COMMENTS (INCLUDING IMPLICATIONS AND VALUE FOR MONEY/VAT)

- 4.1 Members have been allocated £5000 per member for 2016/2017 which has been added to any underspend from the previous financial year.
- 4.2 The full balance has not been allocated. Further projects will be reported to a subsequent committee

5 LEGAL AND PROCUREMENT COMMENTS (INCLUDING RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES, AND LEGAL, CRIME AND DISORDER ACT AND PROCUREMENT IMPLICATIONS)

- 5.1 These arrangements provide transparency and regulation to the spending of individual Member's allocation.
- 5.2 The funds allocated by Area Committee are used to address diverse needs from various sections of the community and reduce inequalities.

6 STRATEGIC ASSETS & PROPERTY COMMENTS (FOR DECISION RELATING TO ALL PROPERTY ASSETS AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE) (AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS ONLY)

- 6.1 None

7 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 7.1 Has the equality impact of the proposals in this report been assessed?

No, an EIA is not required because this report does not relate to changing policy or functions

8 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS OTHER THAN PUBLISHED WORKS OR THOSE DISCLOSING CONFIDENTIAL OR EXEMPT INFORMATION

- 8.1 none.

9 PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT

- 9.1 Executive Board – 20 May 2008 – Ward Member Budgets

APPENDIX A

Bulwell Ward Budget Allocations since last report

Schemes: Bulwell Ward	Councillor(s)	Amount (total)
Crabtree Community Centre Christmas Event	Hartshorne, Klein & Morris	£1000
Crabtree Community Centre Fridge/Cooker	Hartshorne, Klein & Morris	£900
Toy library children's event	Morris	£162

The following have received Councillor Support in principal, but either further information is awaited from the organisation, the application is being assessed or awaiting Delegated Authority Approval. None at present

Balance Brought Forward 15/16	£11026
Councillor funding 16/17	£15,000
Total finds 16/17	£26,026
Decommitted schemes 16/17	0
Allocated 16/17	£6552
Uncommitted Funds after allocated schemes	£19,474

Bulwell Forest Ward Budget Allocations since last report

Schemes: Bulwell Forest Ward	Councillor(s)	Amount (total in £)
Think Children	Campbell, Clark, McDonald	466
Top Valley Academy - Outward Bound	Campbell, Clark, McDonald	600
Aspire Learning Partnership	Campbell, Clark, McDonald	1125

The following have received Councillor support in principal, but either further information is awaited from the organisation, the application is being assessed or awaiting Delegated Authority Approval;- Brownies £200, Archery Club £200, Fun on Bulwell Forest Bikes £660, Sikh Temple Lunch Club £300

Balance Brought Forward 15/16	£1,517
Councillor funding 16/17	£15,000
Total funds 16/17	£16,517
Decommitted schemes 16/17	0
Allocated 16/17	£13,300
Uncommitted Funds after allocated schemes	£3,217

Bulwell and Bulwell Forest Area Committee – February 22nd 2017

Title of paper:	Bulwell and Bulwell Forest Area Capital Fund	
Director(s)/ Corporate Director(s):	Dave Halstead Director of Neighbourhood Services	Wards affected: Bulwell and Bulwell Forest
Report author(s) and contact details:	Celia Knight, Neighbourhood Development Officer (Bulwell Forest Ward) Tel 0115 8833729 celia.knight@nottinghamcity.gov.uk Suki Shergill, Neighbourhood Development Officer (Bulwell Ward) Tel 0115 8833728 sukhbir.shergill@nottinghamcity.gov.uk	
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Date of consultation with Portfolio Holder(s) (if relevant)	N/A	
Relevant Council Plan Key Theme:		
Strategic Regeneration and Development		<input type="checkbox"/>
Schools		<input type="checkbox"/>
Planning and Housing		<input type="checkbox"/>
Community Services		<input type="checkbox"/>
Energy, Sustainability and Customer		<input type="checkbox"/>
Jobs, Growth and Transport		x
Adults, Health and Community Sector		x
Children, Early Intervention and Early Years		<input type="checkbox"/>
Leisure and Culture		<input type="checkbox"/>
Resources and Neighbourhood Regeneration		x
Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/service users):		
This report provides Area Committee with :-		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Latest spend proposals under the Area Capital Fund including highways and footways • Latest spend proposals regarding Public Realm schemes 		
Recommendation(s):		
1	That the prioritised Area Capital and public realm schemes for Bulwell and Bulwell Forest, as set out below, are approved.	

1 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.1 The Nottingham LTP 2011-2026 maintains a commitment to deliver local transport improvements across Nottingham's Neighbourhoods and prioritises small scale transport. improvements of importance to local communities.
- 1.2 As part of the budget process, Nottingham City Council approved in February 2016 an LTP capital allocation of £1.25 million citywide between 2016-17. In addition, £750,000 was approved for funding across the city on public realm schemes.
- 1.3 To give opportunity for the Area Committee to make comments on suggested schemes and their progress.

2 BACKGROUND (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)

- 2.1 The Area Capital Programme was established in 2006 to improve the environment of the neighbourhoods and to create a sense of place for residents in order to improve the quality of life of local people.
- 2.2 Resources are allocated from the Nottingham City Council general fund, the Local Transport Plan (LTP) and from the Housing revenue Account. To achieve a joint approach to environmental improvements in neighbourhoods, a greater degree of flexibility has been established to prioritise and deliver improvements so that there is a synergy in local solutions for local issues across neighbourhoods.
- 2.3 The programme of works is a rolling programme. There have been instances where schemes are started, with strong community involvement and interest, only to be altered at a later stage due to changing circumstances such as economic conditions and changes in land values.
- 2.4 The Area Committee, particularly community representatives, are invited to comment specifically on those schemes identified in the proposals column and also to consider whether certain schemes can be linked to other programmes of work in order to generate best value and create a greater impact on the local area.

3 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 None

4 FINANCE COMMENTS (INCLUDING IMPLICATIONS AND VALUE FOR MONEY/VAT)

- 4.1 Bringing together the various strands which form part of the Area Capital Programme enables the City Council to respond efficiently in delivering on public realm improvements as identified by local people.

5 LEGAL AND PROCUREMENT COMMENTS (INCLUDING RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES, AND LEGAL, CRIME AND DISORDER ACT AND PROCUREMENT IMPLICATIONS)

- 5.1 A risk register has been produced which is regularly monitored.

6 STRATEGIC ASSETS & PROPERTY COMMENTS (FOR DECISION RELATING TO ALL PROPERTY ASSETS AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE) (AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS ONLY)

- 6.1 None

7 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 7.1 Has the equality impact of the proposals in this report been assessed?

No

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An EIA is not required because these decisions do not relate to changing policy or functions

**8 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS OTHER THAN PUBLISHED WORKS OR
THOSE DISCLOSING CONFIDENTIAL OR EXEMPT INFORMATION**

8.1 Highways Framework Agreement

9 PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT

9.1 Executive Board Report 23 February 2016, as part of point 82 resolution 32

Bulwell Area Capital 2016 - 2017 Programme

Bulwell LTP schemes

Location	Type	Councillor Prioritised / Area Committee Approved	Estimate	Estimated start date	Completed	Details
Hoewood Road	footpaths	Prioritised 26 January 2017	£294			Resurface of footpath from outside the school to Ravensworth Road (LTP contribution) - lead service: Highway Maintenance
Steadfold Close	footpaths	Prioritised 26 January 2017	£15,190			Resurface of footpaths on Steadfold Close - lead service: Highway Maintenance
Quarry Avenue	footpaths	Prioritised 26 January 2017	£6,235			Surface treatment of footpaths on Quarry Avenue - lead service: Highway Maintenance
Northall Avenue	footpaths	Prioritised 26 January 2017	£5,001			Surface treatment of footpaths on Northall Avenue - lead service: Highway Maintenance
Bromley Close	footpaths	Prioritised 26 January 2017	£1,499			Surface treatment of footpaths on Bromley Close - lead service: Highway Maintenance
Bulwell Ward parking	parking	Approved May 2016	£46,000	07/07/16		Introduction of a number of parking restrictions in identified areas across the ward - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Bulwell Ward crossings	dropped crossings	Approved May 2016	£1,500	30/06/16		Scoping exercise for the provision of dropped crossings across the ward - lead service: Traffic & Safety

Total LTP schemes*

£75,719

Bulwell Public Realm schemes

Location	Type	Councillor Prioritised / Area Committee Approved	Estimate	Estimated start date	Completed	Details
Hoewood Road	footpaths	Prioritised 26 January 2017	£110,333			Resurface of footpath from outside the school to Ravensworth Road (PR contribution) - lead service: Highway Maintenance
Bulwell Ward CCTV	security cameras	Approved November 2016	£11,920			Provision of 2x3G CCTV camera with 3 year licence and 9 relocations to identified sites - lead service: Neighbourhood Management

Total Public Realm schemes**

£122,253

Bulwell Withdrawn schemes

Location	Type	Reason	Amount	Details
<i>No decommitments to date</i>				

Total Decommitted***	£0
2016 - 2017 LTP allocation	£85,600
LTP carried forward from 2015 - 2016	£0
2016 - 2017 Public Realm allocation	£51,300
Public Realm carried forward from 2015 - 2016	£70,953
Total Available 2016 - 2017 ACF	£207,853
*Less LTP schemes	- £75,719
**Less Public Realm schemes	- £122,253
***Decommitted funds	+ £0
Remaining available balance	£9,881
LTP element remaining	£9,881
Public Realm element remaining	£0

Bulwell Forest Area Capital 2016 - 2017 Programme

Bulwell Forest LTP schemes

Location	Type	Councillor Prioritised / Area Committee Approved	Estimate	Estimated start date	Completed	Details
Colston Road	footpath	Approved September 2016	£19,470	03/10/16	complete	Resurface footpath on Colston Road from St Albans Rd to Austin St - lead service: Highway Maintenance
Hucknall Road	signage	Approved September 2016	£250	in planning	complete	Installation of two signs on existing posts to highlight location of the Bowls Club - lead service: Highway Maintenance
Highbury Road	footpath	Approved September 2016	£9,938	in planning		Surface treatment of footpath on Highbury Road from Broomhill Lane to Church Lane (LTP contribution) - lead service: Highway Maintenance
Nansen Street	carriageway	Approved May 2016	£16,542	19/08/16	complete	Microasphalt surface treatment on Nansen Street - lead service: Highway Maintenance
Hucknall Road	signage	Approved May 2016	£800	30/06/16	complete	New sign showing lane designations on approach to Bestwood Park Drive West junction - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Ferny Hollow Close	road markings	Approved May 2016	£1,300	17/08/16	complete	Keep clear markings on Ferny Hollow Close - lead service: Traffic & Safety

Total LTP schemes*

£48,300

Bulwell Forest Public Realm schemes

Location	Type	Councillor Prioritised / Area Committee Approved	Estimate	Estimated start date	Completed	Details
Whitworth Rise	school safety	Approved November 2016	£3,000	tbc		Provision of school keep clear zig zag markings on Whitworth Rise (Bakewell Drive) - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Pine Hill Close subway	area improvement	Approved September 2016	£483	-	complete	Restoration and repainting of subway following fire damage - lead service: Streetscene
Highbury Road	footpath	Approved September 2016	£20,863	in planning		Surface treatment of footpath on Highbury Road from Broomhill Lane to Church Lane (PR contribution) - lead service: Highway Maintenance
Revelstoke Way	adoption	Approved September 2016	£400	-	complete	Further contribution to existing scheme to adopt link footpath - lead service: Rights of Way
Beauclerk Drive	fencing	Approved May 2016	£2,000	30/06/16	complete	Fence and gate in completion of previous stopping-up order - lead service: Rights of Way

Total Public Realm schemes**

£26,746

Bulwell Forest Withdrawn schemes

Location	Type	Reason	Amount	Details
Previously decommitted schemes			£13,646	
Total Decommitted***			£13,646	
2016 - 2017 LTP allocation			£48,300	
LTP carried forward from 2015 - 2016			£0	
2016 - 2017 Public Realm allocation			£29,000	
Public Realm carried forward from 2015 - 2016			£7,523	
Total Available 2016 - 2017 ACF			£84,823	
*Less LTP schemes			- £48,300	
**Less Public Realm schemes			- £26,746	
***Decommitted funds			+ £13,646	
Remaining available balance			£23,423	
LTP element remaining			£9,196	
Public Realm element remaining			£14,227	

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