



NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL
AREA 8 COMMITTEE

Date: Wednesday, 1 March 2017

Time: 6.30 pm

Place: Clifton Cornerstone, Southchurch Drive, Clifton, Nottingham

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

Corporate Director for Strategy and Resources

Governance Officer: Phil Wye **Direct Dial:** 0115 8764637

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NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

AREA 8 COMMITTEE

MINUTES of the meeting held at Loxley House, Nottingham on 16 November 2016 from 18.32 - 20.18

Membership

Present

Absent

Councillor Pat Ferguson (Chair)
Councillor Steve Young (Vice Chair)
Councillor Josh Cook
Councillor Michael Edwards
Councillor Chris Gibson
Councillor Nicola Heaton
Councillor Corall Jenkins
Councillor Andrew Rule

Colleagues, partners and others in attendance:

Mark Armstrong	- Senior Regeneration Officer
Clare Ashton	- Good Companions
Gayle Aughton	- Commissioning Manager
Sophie Ayubi	- Senior Community Protection Officer
Alex Brown	- Community Sport and Physical Activity Officer
Prairie Bryant	- Neighbourhood Development Officer
Ron Cutts	- Silverdale Community Association
Sergeant Paul Ferguson	- Nottinghamshire Police
Abdul Ghaffar	- Neighbourhood Development Officer
Miriam Gifford	- Meadows Partnership Trust
Richard Gutteridge	- 26 th Nottingham (The Meadows) Scout Group
Jonathan Hughes	- Friends of Victoria Embankment
Gary Humble	- Clifton Community & Family Support Group
Jane Jeoffrey	- Queens Walk Community Association
Basheer Latif	- Meadows Muslim Centre
Ian Malcolm	- Clifton Advice Centre
Sharon Mills	- Meadows Partnership Trust
Garry Nelms	-
Roy Nettleship	- Carter's Educational Foundation
Patricia Nicholson	- New Beginnings
Tracy Osborne	- Parkgate Community Centre
Mr J Potter	- Ward Resident
Parbinder Singh	- Neighbourhood Development Officer
Phil Wye	- Constitutional Services Officer

27 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mary Daley
Colin Mackie
Kevin McCormick
Ed Peterson
Margaret Spencer

28 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

29 MINUTES

Subject to altering the cost of the Wilford Community Group Queen's Birthday event from 3300.00 to £300.00 (Item 26), the minutes of the meeting held on 14 September 2016 were confirmed by the Committee and signed by the Chair.

30 POLICE UPDATE

Sergeant Paul Ferguson gave a verbal update, highlighting the following:

- (a) in the Meadows there has been an overall increase in crime of 3.5% year to date. Robbery and hate crime has decreased. The largest increase has been in burglary with a rise of 113% though this was partially due to a spike of properties which were broken into. Over the last month crime has gone down 16.9%, with burglary and robbery both down. Drugs are a significant issue for the Beat Team, trying to get warrants for arrests which is an ongoing issue;
- (b) in Clifton, overall crime has increased by 7.7% year to date, with robbery and hate crime up. Over the last month crime has reduced, with burglary and robbery down, but auto crime up slightly. There is an issue with off-road motorcycles around Clifton estate;

The following points were raised during the discussion which followed:

- (c) the issue with motorcycles in Clifton is seasonal, and is more of an issue in daylight hours though there have been some incidents at night time. There has been some success with removing and destroying bicycles;
- (d) Bridge Ward councillors are concerned about drug issues in the Meadows and want to see progress. This remains a concern for the police and there is a lot of work going on in the background.

RESOLVED to thank Sergeant Ferguson for his update

31 NOTTINGHAM CITY HOMES UPDATE

Gary Nelms, Nottingham City Homes, introduced the report providing summary updates on the following key themes:

- 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.

The following points were made during the discussion which followed:

- (a) as a result of demolition of housing in the Meadows, local residents have noticed an increase in mice. They have been asked to pay for pest control services as it is not a statutory service to dispose of mice, only rats. Residents see this as unfair as it has been caused by the demolition which is out of their control;
- (b) it would be helpful for the report in future to include numbers rather than percentages for things like rent collection, as it would give a clearer picture.

RESOLVED to

- (1) note the update and performance information in appendices 1 and 2 of the report;**
(2) note the allocation of funds for 2016/17:

Ward	Actual Budget	Schemes approved	Schemes committed	Remaining budget
Bridge	£187,869.10	£0	£0	£187,869.10
Clifton South	£172,830.82	£27,321.11	£27,321.11	£145,509.71
Clifton North	£65,804.68	£0	£0	£65,804.68

- (3) approve the Area Capital Programme funding request as set out below:**

Ward	Request	Reason	Cost
Bridge	Replace timber cladding to 37 maisonette balconies across various sites across the Bridge ward	The current timber cladding is unsightly and damaged. Upgrading this to a high quality metal railing will improve security and appearance in line with the regeneration across this ward	£39,960.00

32 GET OUT GET ACTIVE PROJECT

Alex Brown, Community Sport and Physical Activity Officer, introduced the Get Out Get Active (GOGA) Project, which aims to support disabled and non-disabled people to enjoy being active together. Alex highlighted the following:

- (a) statistics continually show that disabled people are the least active population and two thirds of disabled people say that they would like to take part in sport with non-disabled people;
- (b) Nottingham City Council has secured £245,000 over 3 years, in partnership with the English Federation of Disability Sport (EFDA) to develop and deliver a range of sport and physical activity programmes for citizens to participate in and improve both their physical and mental health;
- (c) GOGA will focus on 3 areas of Nottingham, including Clifton, which has been chosen due to its high number of people with life-limiting illnesses or disabilities (19.6%);
- (d) a detailed programme of activity is being developed for GOGA which outlines which activity is due to take place when and where over the 3 years. There is however flexibility to alter delivery to suit local needs, discussing with residents and target areas;
- (e) there will be a community engagement event at Clifton Leisure Centre on Thursday 26 January from 2-4pm, and community partners and organisations are invited to participate;

The following points were raised during the discussion which followed:

- (f) the project could be promoted on social media by Clifton councillors. GPs could also get involved to advise or signpost citizens to activities;
- (g) access to events and activities can be a barrier for citizens, and they may need to be supported in this. The engagement event should be able to identify people and groups who could help, and Clifton Leisure Centre is inclusive;
- (h) gentle activities such as tai chi or dancing would be better at encouraging those not used to physical activity. Activities which do not require specialist equipment would also be able to involve more people. Basketball could be walking basketball which requires a lower level of fitness;
- (i) open swimming sessions at Clifton Leisure Centre can be extremely limited. This programme may be able to free up sessions;
- (j) facilities in the Meadows could also be used, such as the bowling green or the Portland Leisure Centre. These are easily accessible from Clifton by bus and tram.

RESOLVED to note the information and thank Alex for the update.

33 AREA COMMITTEE - IMPROVING THE HEALTH OF CITIZENS

Gayle Aughton, Commissioning Manager, introduced the report which informed the Committee of the outcome of the ward-level research and recent consultation on the health profile of Nottingham's citizens to ensure that commissioning of Public Health

services will appropriately and most effectively meet the health needs of the local population. Gayle highlighted the following:

- (a) the Council has to ensure value for money and efficiency, but still aims for Public Health services to have positive outcomes and improve the health of citizens. The evidence from this consultation has been very useful for commissioners to know which services will best do this in each area;
- (b) specific themes identified in Area 8 affordability of activities, increased need to publicise what's on offer, needs of specific groups such as BME and the elderly, and the need to deliver health related activities in community facilities where people feel comfortable;
- (c) a new behaviour change and weight management service will allow citizens to access universally available services, targeted services and higher, more intense services for those with more complex needs. Also a smoking cessation service will deliver a creative approach to addressing community needs;
- (d) there will soon be an integrated health and social care directory for Nottingham, which will likely be called Local Information Online Nottingham (LION). This should be live by Spring 2017 and allow users to search for services near them by postcode;

The following points were raised during the discussion which followed:

- (e) it would be useful for Ward Councillors to receive regular updates on health services in their area;
- (f) Area 8 used to have a Health and Wellbeing Action Group which brought together many partners and encouraged pilot projects in the area, influencing health issues locally. This may not be appropriate anymore but this could be looked at afresh;
- (g) The social prescription pilot mentioned in the report is a pilot where a citizen would be signposted to support services as opposed to a traditional prescription. The pilot is taking place in the Bulwell area;

RESOLVED to thank Gayle for the update

34 CLIFTON TOWN CENTRE UPDATE

Mark Armstrong, Town Centre Co-ordinator, verbally updated the Committee highlighting the following:

- (a) street furniture, such as benches, bollards, cycle racks and bins, has now been installed in all main areas of the town centre. However, feedback and suggestions from the local community is welcomed for further sites for benches where people need them;
- (b) trees are being replaced at the central shops in a 12 week programme. This will start in January so as to avoid the Christmas period. Other upcoming work includes improvements to the cut-through to Morrison's, paving in front of the

shops and a new entrance to the flower park. This will be programmed together to avoid disruption;

- (c) the Clifton drive-in cinema will take place on Saturday 26th November, with a higher quality screen to the one that was cancelled last time due to poor weather;
- (d) the planning application for the Fairham House site has now been submitted to the council. The planned anchor store is Lidl, and the target is still to open in Easter 2018;

The following comments were made by the Committee during the discussion which followed:

- (e) seating outside Holy Trinity shops was not put in at the request of the shops due to antisocial behaviour, however there should be other ways to deal with this problem and this should be re-examined;
- (f) the Fairham House scheme needs to be high quality and should involve local jobs and apprentices for local people. It should also aim to have a diverse range of shops;
- (g) the new trees by the central shops will be a mixture of species to ensure variety. Cladding of the front of the shops is not possible this year but still a priority. It will be important for Clifton shops to remain looking attractive when the new development at Fairham House is complete.

RESOLVED to thank Mark for the update

35 COMMUNITY PROTECTION - AREA CLUSTER FEEDBACK AND BRIEFING NOTE FROM COMMUNITY PROTECTION

Sophie Ayubi, Senior Community Protection Officer (CPO), introduced the report which gave feedback to queries raised at the Area Cluster meeting in September 2016. Sophie highlighted the following:

- (a) CPOs are supposed to spend a minimum of 80% of their working week patrolling. However, some work streams are complex so some time has to be spent in the office with administrative commitments;
- (b) there are currently some vacant CPO posts, but a robust campaign is in place to recruit more. The role is often used as a stepping stone into the police and sees a lot of movement;
- (c) CPOs have a wide range of powers to give out notices for fixed penalties, for example. These can progress to court. It is an offence to not surrender alcohol to a CPO, and street drinkers may be signposted to other services;
- (d) The demands on the service are flexible by area and dependent on what needs resolving. Programmes such as Your Voice, Your Choice can help to identify

these issues;

- (e) each area has a Twitter feed and updates on issues and successes regularly. A monthly update is also produced for Councillors.

RESOLVED to thank Sophie for the information

36 AREA COMMITTEE COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES CELEBRATION EVENT- FEEDBACK FROM REPRESENTATIVES

Tracy Osborne, Parkgate Community Centre, fed back to the Committee on the event that she attended at the Council House for Community Representatives, where they were invited to provide ideas and feedback.

Tracy found the event very useful and would recommend future events to other Community Representatives. She particularly enjoyed having a tour of the Council House which was very thorough and enthusiastically led.

RESOLVED to thank Tracy for the feedback

37 DELEGATED AUTHORITY PROJECTS AND WARD COUNCILLOR BUDGETS

Prairie Bryant, Neighbourhood Development Officer, introduced the report advising the Committee of the use of delegated authority by the Corporate Director for Commercial and Operations for the financial year 2016/17, and the Ward Councillors Revenue Budget allocation for 2016/17.

RESOLVED to

- (1) note the actions agreed by the Corporate Director for Commercial and Operations in respect of projects and schemes within Area 8, as detailed below:**

Bridge Ward	Project/scheme	Councillor(s)	Amount (total)
	Bridgeway Centre floral display	Heaton & Edwards	£2,516.00
	Arkwright Meadows Community Gardens events	Heaton & Edwards	£1,195.00
	Nottingham Carnival	Heaton & Edwards	£240.00
	Trent Bridge Community Trust – Street cricket sessions	Heaton & Edwards	£1000.00
	25ft Christmas tree, Bridgeway Centre	Heaton & Edwards	£2,378.56
	Safe Alternative Centre CIC –fun day	Heaton & Edwards	£1000.00
	Your Choice Your Voice Dragons Den	Heaton & Edwards	£2,500.00

	Manzil – Cohesion event and outing	Heaton & Edwards	£1,145.00
	Eid event	Heaton & Edwards	£590.00
Total allocated at 20/10/16			£13,064.56
Balance brought forward 2015/16			£9,861.89
Allocation 2016/17			£10,000.00
Returned/De-committed at 09/03/16			£1,155.00
Total available allocation			£21,016.89
Total allocated at 20/10/2016			£13,064.56
Total unallocated at 20/10/16			£7,952.33

Clifton North Ward	Project/scheme	Councillor(s)	Amount (total)
	Wilford Community Group – May Day event	Rule	£300.00
	Drive in cinema at NET Park & Ride	Cook & Ferguson	£1,200.00
	Wilford Community Group – Queen’s Birthday community event	Cook, Ferguson & Rule	£300.00
	Nottingham Music School	Cook, Ferguson & Rule	£360.00
	Literacy volunteers	Cook, Ferguson & Rule	£170.00
	Clear-up at rear of shops on Varney Road	Rule	£473.00
	Gazebo for Clifton Community Family Support Group	Cook & Ferguson	£660.00
	Ruddington Lane Recreational Ground family funday	Cook & Ferguson	£750.00
	NG11 Clifton Foodbank – racking, tables and chairs	Rule	£605.00
	Clifton Area travel grants	Cook, Ferguson & Rule	£1,173.00
	Wilford children’s bonfire	Rule	£535.00
	Silverdale Senior Citizens xmas event	Cook, Ferguson & Rule	£600.00
	Clifton Christmas lights event	Cook, Ferguson & Rule	£2,000.00
	Fireworks display at Ministry of Restoration	Ferguson	£100.00
	NG11 childminders – purchase of toys/training	Cook	£840.00
	Clifton NG11 foodbank-Christmas fayre	Cook, Ferguson & Rule	£450.00
	Clifton remembrance day wreath	Cook, Ferguson & Rule	£22.50

Total allocated at 20/10/16	£12,501.10
Balance brought forward 2015/16	£17,532.00
Allocation 2016/17	£15,000.00
Total available allocation	£32,532.00
Total allocated at 20/10/16	£12,501.10
Total unallocated at 20/10/16	£20,030.90

Clifton South Ward	Project/scheme	Councillor(s)	Amount (total)
	Literacy volunteers	Gibson, Jenkins & Young	£810.00
	Nottingham music school	Gibson, Jenkins & Young	£240.00
	Drive in cinema at NET Park and Rise	Gibson, Jenkins & Young	£1,800.00
	Defibrillator at Peacock public house	Gibson, Jenkins & Young	£1,400.00
	MPT travel grants	Gibson, Jenkins & Young	£1,172.00
	Clifton All Whites bonfire night	Gibson, Jenkins & Young	£1,500.00
	Parkgate Community Centre santa train	Gibson, Jenkins & Young	£900.00
	Highbank Community Centre urban village project	Gibson, Jenkins & Young	£2,500.00
	Clifton christmas lights event	Gibson, Jenkins & Young	£2,000.00
	Clifton NG11 foodbank – Christmas fayre	Gibson, Jenkins & Young	£450.00
	Clifton remembrance day wreath	Gibson, Jenkins & Young	£22.50
	New bin at Winscombe Mount	Gibson	£454.00
	Lark Hill Christmas decorations	Gibson, Jenkins & Young	£100.00
	Total allocated at 24/10/16		£12,501.10
	Balance brought forward 2015/16		£11,928.00
	Allocation 2016/17		£15,000.00
	Returned/De-committed at 24/10/16		£3,000.00
	Total available allocation		£29,928.00
	Total allocated at 24/10/16		£13,348.50
	Total unallocated at 24/10/16		£16,579.50

(2) note the individual Ward Councillors' revenue budget allocation of £5,000 for 2016/17

38 WARD REPORT – BRIDGE, CLIFTON NORTH & CLIFTON SOUTH

Area 8 Committee - 16.11.16

Prairie Bryant, Neighbourhood Development Officer, introduced the report focussing on current priorities and issues facing Bridge, Clifton North and Clifton South wards and providing the Committee with details of forthcoming events and activities.

Prairie added that solicitors have now granted permission to install bollards at Clifton Village Green.

RESOLVED to note the priorities, current issues and supporting information for Bridge, Clifton North and Clifton South wards

39 AREA CAPITAL FUND – 2016/17 PROGRAMME

Prairie Bryant, Neighbourhood Development Officer, introduced the report providing the Committee with the latest spend proposals under the Area Capital Fund including highways, traffic and safety and public realm improvements.

There were no Area Capital Fund schemes to approve for this period.

RESOLVED to note the monies available to Bridge, Clifton North and Clifton South wards as outlined below:

Bridge	£79,320
Clifton North	£0
Clifton South	£84,411

AREA 8 COMMITTEE
1 March 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: Clifton North, Clifton South & Bridge
Report author(s) and contact details:	Garry Nelms, Tenancy & Estates Manager, Clifton Area Housing Office, contact on 0115 8786287.	
Other colleagues who have provided input:	None	
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 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 customers/service users):		
<p>The report provides updates on key issues and themes which link back to local priorities and the strategic themes for Nottingham City Homes.</p> <p>The reports provide summary updates on the following key themes:</p> <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 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 representatives 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 details of current 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)

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 the decision does not relate to changing policies or function.

Yes

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

None

9 PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT

None



NCH update report – Appendix 1

Date: February 2017

Presented by: Garry Nelms

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	Item	Executive Summary / Key Points	For information or decision
1	Capital Programme & major works	<p><u>Demolition</u> Garage site on Ellerby Avenue, Clifton will start to be demolished in January 2017.</p> <p><u>Grander Designs</u> Willowbrook Court in the Meadows will be completed with Grander Designs during January.</p> <p><u>Scooter stores</u> Work is ongoing to build scooter stores at Simone Gardens independent living scheme.</p> <p><u>New build on The Meadows</u> 55 homes are built and awaiting connection to common sewers and water connections. The first properties to be completed for lettings will be ready at the end of March. Planning is about to be submitted for 21 premium standard market rent apartments to be built by NCH on the Meadows police station site.</p>	Information

		<p><u>Clifton</u> Clifton miner's welfare club. We are purchasing the building on which to build a new bungalow scheme.</p> <p><u>Middlefell Way, Clifton</u> Work has now commenced on this site.</p>	
<p>2</p> <p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">Page 17</p>	<p>Area Regeneration and Environmental Issues</p>	<p><u>Clifton North</u> We are working with the Housing Team, NDO and Cllrs for this ward to determine priority schemes for the use of the environmental money. The costings for some minor fencing schemes have now been presented to ward members and the housing team and we are awaiting feedback regarding these before proceeding through Area Committee for approval.</p> <p><u>Clifton South</u> We are asking this area committee for the approval of funding towards the Barbury Drive upgrade scheme, improvements to the Nobel Road estate and some fencing works around the low rise flats within this ward. Full details of these schemes to be located in the appendix 3.</p> <p>We have recently delivered a fencing upgrade project to Dartmoor Close as the houses in this cul de sac did not have any boundary fencing and have been suffering a lot of nuisance from young people. The new fencing has helped resolve this issue and smarten the area up.</p> <p><u>Bridge</u> Funding was agreed at September 2015 area committee to upgrade the fascia's and lighting to the Bridgeway Shopping Centre. This project is being delivered by NCC and funding from the Bridge Environmental budget has been agreed. We are awaiting the project to commence to enable us to transfer the funding agreed.</p> <p><u>Balcony upgrades –</u> NCH have delivered a successful scheme to the Queens Walk flats to upgrade the balconies from timber to a bespoke metal finish. The remaining 37 balconies will be upgraded in February 2017.</p> <p><u>New Build/Exiting Stock collaboration</u></p>	<p>Information</p>

		The Decent Neighbourhoods Team, New Build Team and Tenancy and Estate Management have formed a working group to ensure that investment work is considered to the stock surrounding the new build areas to ensure maximum regeneration benefits are delivered in the ward. We have now identified some key areas across the ward to start delivering these external improvements around the new build sites. These are currently being costed up with our contractors and we will ask the next area committee for some environmental funding towards this major project of ours.	
3	Key messages from the Tenant and Leasehold Congress	<p><u>Tenant and Leaseholder Awards 2017</u></p> <p>The deadline for the tenant & leaseholder nominations is Friday 20th January. We're once again looking for your nominations for our fantastic Tenant and Leaseholder Awards – looking for the very best individuals, groups or initiatives that are improving the lives of residents and neighbourhoods and helping us to create homes and places where people want to live.</p>	X
4 Page 18	Tenant and Residents Associations updates	<p><u>New Meadows Tenants and Residents Association (NEMTRA)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NEMTRA Christmas lunch event held on 8th December. This was a success as all people that attended made it a really nice event. <p>A project funded by NCH Ten Year Anniversary grant is progressing well; latest stage involves producing a memories book of Meadows residents called Meadows Musing.</p> <p>The Peoples' Health Lottery funded project a Meadows Welcome is progressing with activities and event planed including DIY project for women takin place at AMC gardens.</p> <p>The next meeting will be the AGM on Thursday 16th February, 6.30pm at the Queens Walk Community Centre.</p> <p><u>Friends of Nobel Road Tenants and Residents Association</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public meeting was held on 10th November at Park Gate community centre. Christmas event held on Saturday 17th December. 	X

		<p>The next Public meeting is planned for March with an event during Easter and summer.</p> <p><u>Southchurch Court Flats Tenants and Residents Association</u> Bi monthly public meetings are being held with attendance from Woodlands Surveillance team and NCH Housing Patch Manager/Area Housing Manager.</p>	
5	Area Performance Figures	Please refer to appendix 2.	
6	Good news stories & positive publicity	<p><u>Swim or Fit for a £1</u> 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 contact NCH Involvement Team on 0115 746 910 www.fitinthecommunity.com</p> <p><u>Fit in the Community' Free Weekly Fitness Sessions</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legs, Bums & Tums, 5.00pm – 6.00pm at Park Gate Community Centre • Zumba, 6.00pm – 7.00pm at Park Gate Community Centre <p><u>Tenant Academy Training Courses</u> Energy Champions Training, 10.00am – 12noon, Loxley House, Station Street, NG2 3NJ</p> <p><u>Click Silver for 60's</u> It and internet safety training for people aged 60 and over. This six week course will allow participants to learn at their own pace with a personal mentor. Due to start in February, start date to be confirmed.</p> <p>For a full list of courses and booking details contact the Involvement Team on 0115 746 9100 or the</p>	X








	website below. http://www.nottinghamcityhomes.org.uk/get-involved/tenant-academy/	
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Appendix 2

Area report - Clifton North, Clifton South & Bridge









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AC8-1 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 by first intervention – Clifton <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%	83.33%			90.86%	91.23%	Performance has dipped quite alarmingly with this PI. To send email to team re performance and discuss at next TB. I have also raised this as a concern at our recent team meetings for the team to remain focused on sustaining performance. We are currently at 83.33% which is just outside the initial PI of 85%. Not bad but we need to do better and achieve the target as we have done previously.
% of ASB cases resolved – Clifton <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%	Again, this PI has been achieved by the team. Great performance.
Number of new ASB cases – Clifton <i>Note: Data for this PI is only available by Housing Office.</i>		70			175	118	n/a
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</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



indicator is not available by ward.							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.
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AC8-2 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 - Clifton North, Clifton South & Bridge <i>Note: This PI monitors the proportion of repairs being completed within agreed timescales.</i>	96%	95.29%			95.5%	97.74%	Performance slightly below target due to backlog of Plumbing works in the summer. Backlog has now been cleared and performance has improved.
% of repairs completed in target – Bridge Ward <i>Note: This PI monitors the proportion of repairs being completed within agreed timescales.</i>	96%	95.77%			95.97%	97.92%	Performance slightly below target due to backlog of Plumbing works in the summer. Backlog has now been cleared and performance has improved.
% of repairs completed in target – Clifton North Ward <i>Note: This PI monitors the proportion of repairs being completed within agreed timescales.</i>	96%	94.78%			95.14%	97.36%	Performance slightly below target due to backlog of Plumbing works in the summer. Backlog has now been cleared and performance has improved.
% of repairs completed in target – Clifton South Ward <i>Note: This PI monitors the proportion of</i>	96%	95.26%			95.36%	97.82%	Performance slightly below target due to backlog of Plumbing works in the summer. Backlog has now been cleared and performance has improved.





<i>repairs being completed within agreed timescales.</i>							
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.





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C8-3 Rent Collection

Performance indicator and definition	Target	2016/17			2015/16	2014/15	Latest Note
		Value	Status	Long Trend	Value	Value	
% of rent collected <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> <i>Trend shows as improving if value is over 100% as arrears are decreasing.</i>	100%	101.22%			100.25%	100.56%	Following the rent free week in August when our collection rate improved as tenants still paid despite the reduced debit, we had a reduced collection in September. At 99.58% the collection rate was £220,000 off a 100% return. It is also slightly behind last year's position of 99.8%. Arrears as a % of debit is 2.45% against a target of 2% - this is £470,000 above where we need to be to hit the target. However as the debit reduced by 1% this year, this is an increasingly difficult target to attain. The numbers of Universal Credit cases continues to increase - with the total standing at just over 200, the arrears on these cases totals £109,014 currently. Equally the amount of Housing Benefit we receive continues to decrease, at a rate of approximately £20,000 each week. This means that we have more rent to actually physically collect from tenants. Although more people are coming off benefit they are taking up low paid jobs that are not permanent with regular hours and therefore their income

							is liable to fluctuate. This makes it difficult for people to budget and as a result we have increased arrears. Additionally there is still the problem of Court fees standing at £325 - as a consequence we are entering cases at a much higher level. Judges will often adjourn cases, allowing the debt to increase but Housing Benefit backdates are now severely restricted.
% of tenancies ending due to eviction <i>Note: This PI monitors the percentage of tenants being evicted due to rent arrears and is reported citywide.</i>	0.45%	0.42%			0.43%	0.56%	This indicator will be on target by the end of the financial year. WE are currently only 0.02% behind target and as we are not carrying out any further evictions during March we will be on target. We have done 101 evictions so far this year and at this point last year we had done 129.





AC8-4a Empty properties - Average relet time





Performance indicator and definition	Target	2016/17			2015/16	2014/15	Latest Note
		Value	Status	Long Trend	Value	Value	
Average void re-let time (calendar days) – AC - Clifton North, Clifton South & Bridge <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>		24.8			27.37	22.64	See below
Average void re-let time (calendar days) – Bridge Ward <i>Note: This PI measures how long it takes NCH to re-let empty properties</i>		28.84			27.33	7.64	The target was not met due to the letting of empty properties within Independent Living schemes where demand at times can be limited

<i>from the end of the old tenancy to the start of the new tenancy</i>							
Average void re-let time (calendar days) – Clifton North Ward <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>		16.47			24.79	19.14	The target was met during this period
Average void re-let time (calendar days) – Clifton South Ward <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>		26.59			29.18	38.27	The target was not met due to the letting of empty properties within Independent Living schemes where demand at times can be limited





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AC8-4b 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 - Clifton North, Clifton South & Bridge <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>		30			19	37	The number increased by 11 during this period.
Number of lettable voids – Bridge Ward <i>Note: Lettable voids are empty</i>		12			6	16	The number increased by 6 during this period

<i>properties available for re-letting. They will receive repair work and then be re-let to a new tenant.</i>							
Number of lettable voids – Clifton North 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>		5			4	9	The number increased by 1 during this period
Number of lettable voids – Clifton South 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>		13			9	12	The number increased by 4 during this period





AC8-4c 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 - Clifton North, Clifton South & Bridge <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>		70			89	139	This relates to the remaining Q Block properties in the Meadows - these have subsequently been demolished and will be removed from future reports
Number of empty properties awaiting decommission – Bridge Ward		70			89	139	This relates to the remaining Q Block properties in the Meadows - these have

<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>							subsequently been demolished and will be removed from future reports
Number of empty properties awaiting decommission – Clifton North 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	NA	
Number of empty properties awaiting decommission – Clifton South 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	NA	

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AC8-5 Tenancy sustainment

Performance indicator and definition	Target	2016/17			2015/16	2014/15	Latest Note
		Value	Status	Long Trend	Value	Value	
Percentage of new tenancies sustained - AC - Clifton North, Clifton South & Bridge <i>Note: This PI measures the number of new tenants who are still in their tenancy 12 months later.</i>	96.5%	95.86%			96.46%	94.6%	We are below target with this PI. It is worth mentioning that TEMs are looking into the reasons as to why our tenants are leaving NCH accommodation. We are monitoring trends on certain types of notices in all areas with view to looking at initiative in an effort to help sustain their tenancies. This is ongoing work amongst all AHMs at this present time.
Percentage of new tenancies sustained	96.5%	97.59%			95.05%	95.05%	This PI for The Meadows has been met.

<p>- Bridge Ward</p> <p><i>Note: This PI measures the number of new tenants who are still in their tenancy 12 months later.</i></p>							<p>However see above notes.</p>
<p>Percentage of new tenancies sustained - Clifton North Ward</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%	95.45%			97.1%	88.89%	<p>We are below target with this PI. It is worth mentioning that TEMs are looking into the reasons as to why our tenants are leaving NCH accommodation. We are monitoring trends on certain types of notices in all areas with view to looking at initiative in an effort to help sustain their tenancies. This is ongoing work amongst all AHMs at this present time.</p>
<p>Percentage of new tenancies sustained - Clifton South Ward</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%	94.87%			97.16%	97.89%	<p>We are below target with this PI. It is worth mentioning that TEMs are looking into the reasons as to why our tenants are leaving NCH accommodation. We are monitoring trends on certain types of notices in all areas with view to looking at initiative in an effort to help sustain their tenancies. This is ongoing work amongst all AHMs at this present time.</p>

APPENDIX 3

Area	Ward	Actual Budget (including carry over from 2015/16)	Schemes Approved	Schemes Committed	Schemes De Committed	Remaining Budget
8	Bridge	£187,869.10	£39,960.00	£39,960.00	£0	£147,909.10
8	Clifton South	£172,830.82	£27,321.11	£27,321.11	£0	£145,509.71
8	Clifton North	£65,804.68	£0	£0	£0	£65,804.68

Address	Request	Reason	Nottingham City Homes Officer	Cost	Approval
Barbury Drive – Clifton South	Contribution to the major regeneration project in this area.	Improve amenity, parking and external space to this area.	Leanne Hoban	£70,000.00	Approval
10 Raleigh Close – Nobel Road Estate	Carry out remedial works to the rear garden and install a new timber fence to the rear boundary	Help to prevent fly tipping and improve the appearance of the area.	Leanne Hoban	£2,457.38	Approval
39 Wilkins Gardens – Nobel Road Estate	Remove dangerous palisade fencing and upgrade to bow top, resurface and install planters for	Improve the appearance of the area and maximise security.	Leanne Hoban	£15,015.71	Approval

	the residents to enjoy.				
19 Wilkins Gardens – Nobel Road Estate	Remove dangerous palisade fencing and upgrade to bow top, resurface and install planters for the residents to enjoy.	Improve the appearance of the area and maximise security.	Leanne Hoban	£12,308.23	Approval
Various low rise schemes around the ward. (See address list below)	To upgrade the current fencing with new metal ball finial railings.	To improve the security and appearance across the ward.	Leanne Hoban	£45,668.93 (NCH Contribution)	Approval

45 - 55 Manor Farm Lane

1 - 11 Leverton Green x 2 green spaces

48 - 58 Stainsby Rise

14 - 32 Stainsby Rise

1 - 6 Thorold Close

3 - 11 Langstrath Road

57 - 65 Langstrath Road

AREA 8 COMMITTEE – 1ST MARCH 2017

Title of paper:	Section 106 Funding for Queen’s Walk Recreation Ground	
Director(s)/ Corporate Director(s):	Andy Vaughan, Corporate Director, Commercial & Operations Hugh White, Director, Sport & Culture	Wards affected: Bridge
Report author(s) and contact details:	James Dymond, Parks Development Manager 0115 876 4983 James.Dymond@nottinghamcity.gov.uk Eddie Curry, Head of Parks & Open Spaces 0115 876 4982 Eddie.Curry@nottinghamcity.gov.uk	
Other colleagues who have provided input:	Fliss Hogg, Parks Development Officer 0115 915 2709	
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):		
The report outlines the proposal for the spend of £34,000 open space Section 106 funding.		
Recommendation(s):		
1	That the Committee endorses the allocation of £34,000 of Section 106 funding (from planning application 02/00365/PFUL3) as set out in the report.	

1 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.1 The Parks Development Team have set out proposals for the spend of £34,000 of Section 106 funding that is available to spend on the “improvement of the public realm in the vicinity of the site” in the West Area.
- 1.2 The spend proposals are as follows:

Site	Proposals	£
Queen’s Walk Recreation Ground	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improve access at pedestrian entrance off Queen’s Walk, next to the play area, to make a safer, more accessible entrance. Install a new section of tarmac footpath from the above entrance to connect with circular footpath (currently a desire line). 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Install fitness equipment around the circular footpath (use some funding as match funding for a larger external funding bid). • Refurbishment of sensory garden beds. • Refurbishment of small shrub bed in south east corner. • Repainting of railings around the bowling green and next to pavilion. • Remove and make good area of knee rail fencing around sensory garden. • Mosaic art footpath within sensory garden. • Improvements to garage/shed store including replacement of doors. • Match funding towards creating full-sized multi-use games area on unused car parking area. • Works to trees overhanging school grounds. 	
TOTAL		£34,000

1.3 These proposals are based on discussions with Councillors, local people and the Neighbourhood Development Officer for the area.

2 BACKGROUND (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)

2.1 The development that generated the funding was Hicking phase one, planning reference 02/00365/PFUL3.

3 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 If the Section 106 funding is not allocated and spent, it would be possible for the developer to reclaim it.

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

4.1 Nottingham City Council has a section 106 receipt available from planning reference 02/00365/PFUL3 for the works proposed above. The relevant section 106 will now be earmarked for the Queens Walk Recreation Ground awaiting the Delegated Decision stage of approval.

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

5.1 Legal comments will be sought at the Delegated Decision stage of approvals.

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



An EIA is not required because this report does not include proposals for new or changing policies, services 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 Section 106 agreement: Nottingham City Council and Saxon Bond Urban (One) Limited and National Westminster Bank Plc relating to land at Queen's Road and London Road, Nottingham, dated 2nd October 2003.

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NAME OF COMMITTEE / BODY - Area 8 Committee 1st March 2017

Title of paper:	Proposal for a Scheme of Selective Licensing for Privately Rented Houses	
Director(s)/ Corporate Director(s):	David Bishop, Corporate Director for Development and Growth Andy Vaughan, Corporate Director for Commercial and Operations	Wards affected: ALL
Report author(s) and contact details:	Lorraine Raynor lorraine.raynor@nottinghamcity.gov.uk Graham Demax graham.demax@nottinghamcity.gov.uk Lisa Ball lisa.ball@nottinghamcity.gov.uk	
Other colleagues who have provided input:		
Date of consultation with Portfolio Holder(s) (if relevant)	22nd 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 8 Committee 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>		
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Recommendation(s):	
1	To note the contents of the report
2	To offer views on the proposal for a scheme of selective licensing for privately rented houses
3	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.

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 both Clifton South and Clifton North have pockets of areas with a high proportion of properties that are in the private rented sector (PRS) and meet the criteria of antisocial behaviour. Both Clifton North and South have pockets of areas that meet one or more of the additional criteria. Clifton South 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. Whilst not all of the areas of both wards meet the thresholds for a high proportion of PRS or the criteria that the proposal is being considered against, the wards have 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 Council's existing licensing scheme for Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMOs) applies to the Bridge ward. The majority of Bridge ward still has a high proportion of PRS even when HMOs are excluded. The ward has above average antisocial behaviour. Large pockets of the ward also meet the criteria for significant property condition issues, high levels of crime and deprivation. The introduction of a selective licensing scheme in this ward would sit alongside and complement existing schemes and would capture the vast majority of private rented homes in the area.

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 residents. 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 – Area 8”
- 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

An EIA is not required because:

(Please explain why an EIA is not necessary)

Yes



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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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

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

- 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 than 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

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.

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

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 licencing 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

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

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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	<p>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</p> <p><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</p>	<p>Positive impact can be continually improved by on-going enforcement action against non-compliant landlords.</p> <p>It is hoped that the scheme will help to tackle ASB issues in the PRS</p> <p>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</p> <p>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>
Men	X	X		
Women	X	X		
Trans	X	X		
Disabled people or carers.	X	X		
Pregnancy/ Maternity	X	X		
People of different faiths/ beliefs and those with none.	X	X		
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		

average PRS also have an above average % of the population that are from a BME background
 Overcrowding is likely to be an issue in some areas and illegal conversions of properties particularly affect new and emerging communities.

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.

Potential adverse impact:

(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

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.

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.

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.

It is intended that accredited landlords will receive a discount on the fee.

have a big impact on their portfolios

(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.

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.

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.

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

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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AREA 8 COMMITTEE – 1 March 2017

Title of paper:	Ward Report – Bridge, Clifton North & Clifton South	
Director(s)/ Corporate Director(s):	Dave Halstead Director of Neighbourhood Services	Wards affected: Bridge, Clifton North & Clifton South
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Date of consultation with Portfolio Holder(s) (if relevant)	Councillor Graham Chapman 12 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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Adults, Health and Community Sector		<input checked="" 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):		
This report focusses on current priorities and issues facing Bridge, Clifton North & Clifton South wards and provides details of forthcoming events and activities. The report replaces the previous Performance report which used operational data supplied by the Crime and Drugs Partnership.		
Recommendation(s):		
1	To note and comment on the priorities, current issues and supporting information for Bridge, Clifton North, & Clifton South wards.	

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 Bridge, Clifton North, & Clifton South Wards sit within the Area 8 Committee which adopted four area based priorities at its first Area Cluster meeting – Parking, Parks & Open Spaces, Regeneration & Environmental and Drugs.
- 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 Area 8 Committee on 16 November 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 Area Capital Fund to support ASB and crime prevention initiatives across the wards, such as the purchase and deployment of 3G Wireless CCTV, traffic & safety schemes, increased operations and execution of warrants on drugs, resident parking schemes and new outdoor play facilities.
- 2.4 The current Ward priorities which have been reported previously through the Area Committee performance reports are shown in Appendix 1 for all three wards. These priorities will be updated for each Area Committee, taking into account discussions at NAT meetings and various groups and activities involving local residents. The Ward priorities form the basis for the ‘Ward Action Plan’ for all three Wards.
- 2.5 Appendix 2 sets out the current key NAT issues for all three Wards.
- 2.6 Appendix 3 highlights the forthcoming opportunities for citizens to engage in events and activities in their neighbourhoods across all three Wards.
- 2.7 Appendix 4 highlights the Area Committee priorities and progress delivered against each priority since the last Area Committee meeting held in November 2016.

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:

An EIA is not required as 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

Yes



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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Appendix 1 - Ward Priorities

Bridge

Safer Nottingham

Priority	Progress since last Area Committee (November 2016)	Lead
Reduce crime and Anti-social behaviour	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On-going high visibility uniformed patrols at known hotspots Partnership approach to improving CCTV coverage at the Bridgeway Centre – Possible removal of some trees On-going action on empty / occupied properties causing ASB issues – Listing issues with HMO team and Environmental Services 	<p>Police / NAT</p> <p>Police / Woodlands / Cllrs / Tree Services / NDO</p> <p>CP / NM</p>
Off road motorbikes		
Drugs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regular patrols at hotspots including Ryland Gardens subway, Queens Walk, Toll Bridge, Osman, Kelso Gardens, Launder Street and Bridgeway Centre 3G cameras to be moved to Launder Street and Kelso Gardens Identification of risk hazard due to used syringes and needles left at phone box and handles at Toll Bridge – Clearing of site CP Operational Support Team tasked to support in Meadows 	<p>Police</p> <p>NM / CP</p> <p>CP / NM</p>

Neighbourhood Nottingham

Priority	Progress since last Area Committee (November 2016)	Lead
Fly Tipping – Increase awareness of Bulky Waste Collection, target hotspots, pursue enforcement and prosecution, active response for removal of fly tip	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased clearing around hotspots • Increase in report and removal of fly tips • Targeting problem properties/alleyways and works in default • 1 ward walk delivered since last Area committee • Deep Clean at various locations monthly • 21 FPN's issued for leaving litter • 78 fly tips investigated and reported • 4 FPN's issued for leaving waste outside and not booking via bulky waste or side waste • Waste left by any public bin -checked and follow up enforcement work undertaken 	<p>NAT / Neighbourhood Management Community Protection</p> <p>CP</p>
Decommissioned areas -Concern about lack of Street lighting on Arkwright and Blackstone walk – attracting vermin and fly tip hot spots	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase in patrols by uniformed officers • No increase in fly tips at this locality over December 	
Dog Fouling – Increase awareness on reporting and intelligence, removal of waste, deliver operations and enforce (FPN's) where possible	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to target hot spot locations • 2 Dog Fouling Operations delivered in December • Letter drops to residents carried out at hot spot locations • Increased proactive work -use of PSPO powers for checking if dog owner is carrying bags on them to remove the dog waste 	CP / NM

Families Nottingham

Priority	Progress since last Area Committee (November 2016)	Lead
Deliver a minimum of three 4 week cooking on a budget sessions in youth sessions	A six week project has been planned to be delivered at Meadows Youth sessions – Wednesday starting the 19 th January. Young people will have the opportunity to learn how to cook simple healthy meals and how to buy healthy ingredient on a budget, ie: frozen veg, tins verses fresh.	Children and Families Team
Deliver a minimum of three budget management/money matter courses in ccc	Sound as a pound will be running a course in March in Clifton .It will then be ran in the Meadows.	
Increase activities for families and children during half-terms	Unable to increase delivery in half terms at the moment due to staffing levels. The team is 3.5 staff down	
Deliver 1 session each quarter at youth session around knife crime and consequences	<p>3 sessions have been delivered at Meadows Youth Centre to inform young people about Knife crime and the consequences. 4th, 6th and 11th of January.</p> <p>Phase 1 describes an incident and offers the opportunity for discussion around what young people would do.</p> <p>Phase 2 revisits the incident and then explains that this was a real life incident in London in 2005. Again it invokes discussion around actions and possible first aid treatment and if young people would have done things differently.</p> <p>Phase 3 revisits phase 2 which will give young people the opportunity to hear the final part of the actual incident and to discuss actions</p>	

Health Nottingham

Priority	Progress since last Area Committee (November 2016)	Lead
Obesity – Need for additional and affordable physical activities across the area, special emphasis on hard to reach groups		
Mental Health – Support needed by individuals, families and localised services to access community and Mental Health and Wellbeing Services		
Food – To encourage greater participation of local people to grow, prepare and consume healthy food supported by Food for Life in schools and Arkwright Meadows Community Gardens		

Working Nottingham

Priority	Progress since last Area Committee (November 2016)	Lead
More Training opportunities for young people and People over the age of 40 More Employment opportunities for young people and people over the age of 40	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On-going delivery of the Thursday work Club at the OSS for over 30's. Continuation of Free internet access and phone line at the One Stop Shop. On-going delivery and 1-1 support for young people 18-29 through the SITW/YEI initiative On-going promotion of latest vacancy's and training provision through the City Councils sector based Work Academy's. <p>Continuation of the promotion of other available local training opportunities and volunteering opportunities.</p>	MPT and City Councils Employment and Skills Team
More support for local people around Financial Inclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On-going support through Meadows Advice Group to support people facing financial difficulty 	Meadows Advice Group

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1-1 support provided through NCH for NCH tenants. 	Nottingham City Homes
Support for people over the age of 40 who are interested in setting up their own business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DWP Run programmes to support people who are looking to set up their own business (all ages). MPT would refer any unemployed person to DWP for support in this area as there is no other support locally. 	DWP MP

Clifton North

Safer Nottingham

Priority	Progress since last Area Committee (November 2016)	Lead
ASB across the estate linked to low level crime (criminal damage etc.)	High visibility patrols and intervention with younger groups	Police
Increase in Neighbourhood Watch and Neighbourhood Alert	Sharing Alerts with local residents	Police / NAT
Reduce number of Serious Acquisitive Offences (burglary, robbery & auto-crime)	Intelligence lead operations, management of offenders, better liaison with the community. Carry out specific Crime Prevention Events to increase awareness	Police
Groups of youths hanging around	Raise awareness of services available for young people	NAT

Neighbourhood Nottingham

Priority	Progress since last Area Committee (November 2016)	Lead
Parking issues	Consultation on TRO for Glapton Lane and junction protection carried out – awaiting approval Tackling on-going parking problems such as on Kinsale Walk, Fallow Close. Consultation on parking for Clifton Grove Estate carried out in December 2016. .	NAT / Neighbourhood Management
Litter, bulky waste, fly-tipping	Fly-tipping hotspots being cleared and notices served on private	Neighbourhood

	land. 31 FPN's issued for littering <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased clearing around hotspots • 3G Camera's installed at Varney Road shops and Brooksthorpe Way to target Fly tipping hot spots. • Increase in report and removal of fly tips • 38 Fly Tips investigated/reported by CPO's for clear up • Targeting problem properties/alleyways and works in default • 3 Ward Walks delivered since May 2016 	Management & Community Protection
Dog Fouling – Increase awareness on reporting and intelligence, removal of waste, deliver operations and enforce (FPN's) where possible	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to target hot spot locations • 3 Dog Fouling Operations delivered <p>“We’re Watching You” campaign delivered across area in July</p>	NAT / Community Protection

Families Nottingham

Priority	Progress since last Area Committee (November 2016)	Lead
Increase usage of the kitchen at Clifton Young People Centre by the community	<p>The kitchen on all play and youth sessions (3 times a week) regularly by young people to prepare snack for sessions. Cooking activities take place with young people.</p> <p>Healthy Lunch club running during the summer.</p> <p>Tiny cooks course has run – 12 parents attended the course.</p>	Community Family Support
Increase offer of Family Support 5-18 – through assessment in family support clinics	<p>Family Support clinics are offered across South hub 2 – we have had 19 families accessed the clinics for support</p> <p>15 families with children age 0-5 4 families with children aged – over 5</p>	Community Family Support
Young people experience learning through themed project under the priority areas.	The following projects have been delivered:	Community Family Support

Learning City, Increased Resilience, Healthy Minds	<p>Parkgate 5-13yrs 15/18 young people have taken part in a recycling project – under the priority area of Learning City</p> <p>Clifton Young People Centre Play session 5-13yrs</p> <p>10/12 young people have taken part in a environment project – under the priority area of Leaning City</p>	
Open access session for under 5's increase attendance / reach to 80% of the community	Quarter 1 79.3% reach.	Community Family Support
Open access session 5-19 to increase attendance / reach by 10% on 2015 baseline	<p>All schools in Clifton have received up to date timetables of activities to promote sessions.</p> <p>Initiatives have been put in place to increase attendance ie: free entry if you bring a friend.</p> <p>Tuesday Youth Session has not increased attendance by 10%- an action plan is be developed to increase attendance – ie: music session. There has been an increase in new registrations, with new young people attend however sustain contact has not been maintained.</p> <p>Thursday Youth Session has seen an increase of 10% - 15/18 young attending session.</p>	Community Family Support
Clifton Central 'Flower' Park – development of the park to make it more accessible for families and children	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding bid successful to WREN in November 2016 • Works started to develop children's playground in January 2017 • Activities such as Teddy Bears Picnic helps to promote the park to all 	Parks / Neighbourhood Management

Health Nottingham

Priority	Progress since last Area Committee (November 2016)	Lead
Encourage healthier lifestyles in the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Obese Children 2. Mental Health 3. Smoking 4. Physical Activity 		Health

Working Nottingham

Priority	Progress since last Area Committee (November 2016)	Lead
Reduction in youth unemployment	<p>MPT Continue to be the community delivery partner for Area 8 to deliver the Step into Work project for young people 18 – 29. As from 1st April additional funding was sourced through NCC (YEI Youth employment initiative which means 1-1 support will continue until 31st March 2018.</p> <p>Area 8 Employment and skills partnership meeting held 18th July</p>	<p>NCC – Employment and Skills P MPT</p> <p>NCC</p>
Reduction in long-term unemployment	<p>MPT Continue to deliver the work club in Clifton Library Funded through the employment element of Area Based Grant. The work club is specifically for anyone over the age over the age 30.</p> <p>No Future funding will be available through Sustrans Smarter Travel to anyone over the age of 30, as from April 2016.</p>	NCC – Employment and Skills P MPT
Reduction in Financial exclusion	<p>City wide Financial resilience event was held on 26th April and was attended by over 80 organisations and we now have a Draft Financial resilience City wide Strategy.</p> <p>As agreed by the Employment and skills partnership on 18th July</p>	NCC – Employment and Skills P MPT

	a follow up meeting was held on 25 th July to look at our local financial resilience Draft Area strategy, and how this can be moved forward	MAG
Engagement in local schools	<p>As no representative from Aspire and NCH attended the employment and Skills Partnership Meeting on 18th July, no updates for this section were presented.</p> <p>Directory of youth provision was put together and distributed across the area including schools.</p> <p>Summerwood Community Gardens is delivering a youth project in partnership with Farnborough Academy and Emanuel School. This is working with young people who have learning and behavioural difficulties. This is funding through Area Based Grant.</p>	<p>NCC – Employment and Skills Aspire (Futures) NCH MPT</p> <p>Summer wood Community Gardens</p>

Clifton South

Safer Nottingham

Priority	Progress since last Area Committee (November 2016)	Lead
ASB and youth hanging around at particular locations	<p>Increase communication between services and residents</p> <p>More patrolling of “hot-spot” areas, including parks, and pursue ASB process, ASBOs, housing tenancy action and prosecution</p> <p>Raise awareness of services available for young people in the</p>	Police / Community Protection

	<p>ward and offer more support to voluntary groups and projects</p> <p>ASB reports at most parks – There have been no recent reports, this is expected to be because of the weather, but increased patrols will be restarted once the weather begins to improve.</p> <p>Issues at Old Fairham School Site – site has been secured and increased hi-vis patrols in the area.</p>	
Increase in Neighbourhood Watch and Neighbourhood Alert	Sharing Alerts with local residents	Police / NAT
Reduce number of Serious Acquisitive Offences (burglary, robbery & auto-crime)	Intelligence lead operations, management of offenders, better liaison with the community. Carry out specific Crime Prevention Events to increase awareness	Police

Neighbourhood Nottingham

Priority	Progress since last Area Committee (November 2016)	Lead
Parking issues	<p>TRO around Glapton Lane is expected to be in place this spring.</p> <p>Issues around Town Centre – Approval of Clifton Centre Traffic Survey which will look at roads directly affected by commuter parking from town centre. This survey should be complete by the Summer 2017 with implementation of findings by Spring 2018 to tie in with opening of Clifton Triangle development.</p> <p>Clifton Wide – Similar to the Clifton Centre Traffic Survey, a Ward Wide Survey has been commissioned to identify problem areas and solutions and provide information to accurately prioritise.</p> <p>Increase in car ownership – Continuing to look at solutions and</p>	NAT / Neighbourhood Management

	<p>enforce restrictions where necessary.</p> <p>Continuing issues around schools. CERT is trying to have increased presence but are not able to get to each school every day due to the number of schools in the area and the school times.</p>	
Litter, bulky waste, fly-tipping	<p>Fly-tipping hotspots being cleared and notices served on private land. Below activities took place in December 2016.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9 FPNs issued by CPOs for Leaving Litter. • 13 Business visits linked to trade waste agreements conducted • 12 Warning Letters issued for overgrown or waste left in gardens. • 18 Fly tips investigated and reported. • 2 occasions of graffiti reported, non offensive. • 3 Ward Walks delivered since November 2016 <p>Reduction has been seen in the amount of fly tips at the Holy Trinity shops.</p>	Neighbourhood Management & Community Protection
Dog Fouling – Increase awareness on reporting and intelligence, removal of waste, deliver operations and enforce (FPN's) where possible	<p>Continue to target hot spot locations</p> <p>2 Dog Fouling Operations delivered</p>	NAT / Community Protection

Families Nottingham

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through assessment in family support clinics	have had 19 families accessed the clinics for support 15 families with children age 0-5 4 families with children aged – over 5	Family Support
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Appendix 2

List of key current issues (taken from latest NAT Review)

Bridge Ward

- Empty properties in the Old Meadows – disrepair of certain properties – Seek improvements
- Problematic properties in Old Meadows – Beauvale Road – To get enforcement on landlord and influence for conditions to be imposed for HMO licence
- Drugs – High visibility patrols at known hotspots including Ryland Gardens subway, Osman, Kelso, Launder Street, Bridgeway Centre and Toll Bridge
- Move of 3G cameras to new locations at Launder Street and Kelso Gardens
- Discarded needle and syringe hotspot at Toll Bridge
- Dog Fouling - To deliver 2 dog fouling operations per month
- Fly tipping hotspots continue to be targeted – Increased incidences over Christmas period
- Parking
- Dog Fouling
- Robberies

Clifton North

- Vehicle Crime
- Parking issues
- Damage to grass verges via car parking
- Dog Fouling Campaign – We're Watching You
- Fly tipping and specific issues associated to rear of shops at Varney Road
- Use of 3G Wireless CCTV to target 'hotspots' for ASB/Fly-tipping/Vehicle crime – 3 cameras purchased via Area Capital Fund

Clifton South

- Parking issues, particularly around the Clifton Town Centre
- Damage to grass verges via car parking – requests to create ‘access roads’ around greens to allow vehicles to park on gardens
- Congestion on roads – request for TROs
- Dog Fouling continues to be an issue
- Fly tipping around Nobel Road, New Close Plantation, Holy Trinity Shops
- 3G Wireless CCTV to target ‘hotspots’ for ASB and Fly-tipping
- Illegal encampments on Clifton Village Green and progress on barriers
- New Close Plantation – Lack of on-going maintenance

Appendix 3

Opportunities for citizens to engage – Delivered and forthcoming dates of events and activities

Bridge Ward

- Your Choice Your Voice / Dragons Den event – 29th November 2016
- Christmas Tree Lights Switch on event – 30th November 2016
- Bridgeway Christmas event – 10th December 2016
- Community Cohesion event – 21st January 2017 - Manzil women only event
- 23rd – 27th January – Week long Promotional event of the SITW YEI Employment initiative
- Ward Walks 2017 – 26th January (Bathley / Collygate), 28th February (Ainsworth / Royston), 30th March (Portland Leisure Centre) all at 11.00am
- Budget Consultation meeting – Tuesday 24th January 2017, 6.30pm at Clifton Cornerstone
- NEMTRA AGM – 9TH February 6.30 – 8.30 at Queens Walk Community Centre.
- Area Committee meeting – 1st March 2017 – 6.30pm - Clifton Cornerstone

Clifton North

- Wilford Community Group meeting – Third Monday of each month at the Barn in the Ferry Public House at 7.30pm
- Silverdale Community Association meetings – Second Tuesday of each month at 2pm
- Clifton Community Centre meetings – Third Tuesday of each month at 7pm
- Silverdale LAG meeting – Tuesday 4th October 2017 at 7pm (Silverdale Community Centre)

- Clifton North Ward Councillors Cook & Ferguson Ward Walks: 13th September 2016; 25th October 2016; 6th December 2016; 17th January 2017 and 7th March 2017

- Clifton North Ward Councillor Rule Ward Walk – 16th February 2017

Clifton South

- Clifton South Councillors Ward Walks:
 - Friday 20th January (Tintagel Green)
 - Friday 17th February (TBD)
 - Friday 17th March (TBD)
 - Friday 14th April (TBD)
- Friends of Nobel Road meeting – Thursday 10th November - 6:30pm - Parkgate Community Centre
- Clifton Christmas Event – 2nd December 2016 3:30 – 5:30pm
- Budget Consultation meeting – Tuesday 24th January 2017, 6.30pm at Clifton Cornerstone
- New Close Plantation Community Clean-up Day – 14th February 2017 10am – New Close Plantation
- Clifton, Silverdale, and Wilford Older Person's Event – 23rd March 2017 10am – 2pm, Highbank Community Centre
- Have Your Say – 26th April 2017 – venue to be determined

AREA COMMITTEE PRIORITIES: 2016/17

Area Committee

Area Committee 8

Area Committee Chair 2016/17

Cllr Pat Ferguson

Current priorities (agreed at December Area Cluster meeting)

Priority 1

- Parking – Commuter parking, ACF schemes, Clifton issues (Lanthwaite Close), Bridgeway Centre car parks, survey of issues in Clifton.

Priority 2

- Parks and Open Spaces – Meadows Recreation Ground Master Plan, Clifton Central Flower Park, The Green (North West Meadows), Clifton Village Green (travellers)

Priority 3

- Regeneration and Environmental

Priority 4

- Drugs

AREA COMMITTEE PRIORITIES: 2016/17

Priority 1 - Parking – Commuter parking, ACF schemes, Clifton issues (Lanthwaite Close), Bridgeway Centre car parks, survey of issues in Clifton.

actions	by Whom	timescales
Area Capital Fund schemes to address parking issues to the north of Robin Hood Way in the Meadows – TRO's to be introduced following consultation	Traffic and Safety	Install works Jan / Feb 2017. Enforcement planned to start on 6 Feb 2017 subject to permit allocations
ACF scheme to address parking at Glapton Lane, Grasby Close, Smithy Close, Dalehead Road & Manor Farm Lane – Covering Clifton North and South – Parking bays at Smithy Close and TRO's to be introduced following consultation	Traffic and Safety	Install works March/April 2017. Enforcement planned for April subject to permit allocations

Tackle commuter parking around Clifton Cornerstone including Lanthwaite Close, Clifton Leisure Centre, and Donnington Road. Survey the scale of problem	Cllrs, NDO, NCH	Survey due for completion July 2016
Introduction of special measures for Bridgeway Centre car parks (to address commuter parking)	Cllrs, NCH	On-Going

Priority 2 - Parks and Open Spaces – Meadows Recreation Ground Master Plan, Clifton Central Flower Park, The Green (North West Meadows), Clifton Village Green (travellers)

actions	by Whom	timescales
Implementation of Master Plan for Meadows Recreation Ground	Parks	<p>Football pavilion repairs completed winter 2016/17.</p> <p>Lighting work complete and lights now operational from dusk to midnight and 5am to dawn.</p> <p>Section 106 funding allocated to site - road repairs at Trent Bridge end completed; restoration of the Queen Victoria statue, path repairs and other</p>

		works being costed. Bid for Lottery funding to be re-submitted 2017/18
Launch of the Cricket Pavilion at the Embankment	Parks	Cricket pavilion complete; landscaping around building completed; cricket bookings underway and ongoing including schools, training and local clubs – plans for 2017 cricket season currently being drawn up in partnership with Trent Bridge.
Introduction of new play area at The Green (North West Meadows) via ACF and NET contribution	Parks – Cllrs – NDO	Initial consultation completed Feb 2016 WREN bid successful and £40,000 awarded to project – 31 st October 2016 Consultation on design with citizens and schools completed in September 2016 – 134 responses Location and final design to be agreed. Site meeting planned 24 th Jan 2017 Play area to be built on site in Spring 2017.

<p>To address issues of travellers accessing Clifton Village Green via ACF funding for knee high fencing</p>	<p>Neighbourhood Management Community Protection Legal</p>	<p>Delegated Decision for bollards protection plan approved July 2016</p> <p>Response regarding ongoing maintenance and liability sent to solicitors for final approval.</p> <p>Public Spaces Protection Order being worked on by CP</p> <p>Signage for no parking to be installed</p>
<p>Further development of Clifton Central (Flower) Park – Survey of needs – Development Plan to be established- Part funding secured via NET, need to source additional funds via Wren</p>	<p>Parks – Friends of Clifton Flower Park – NDO & Cllrs</p>	<p>Consultation held in May 2016</p> <p>Funding bid submitted to WREN June 2016 and £50,000 awarded to project.</p> <p>Work started on site 5th January 2017.</p>

Priority 3 - Regeneration and Environmental

actions	by Whom	timescales
<p>Regeneration of Arkwright Walk / Blackstone Walk – to include 112 new family homes/apartments; re-open pedestrian cycle link to city</p>	<p>Regeneration Team</p>	<p>Demolition of decommissioned properties on Arkwright Walk underway to be completed by January 2017</p> <p>Following Planning Committee in December 2016, redesign apartment blocks and obtain formal approval by February 2017</p> <p>Arkwright walk to be opened up to pedestrians and cyclists January 2017</p> <p>Work with Keepmoat Homes to finalise terms and allow construction of new homes to begin April 2017</p> <p>Work with highways and public transport colleagues on feasibility and funding to</p>

		allow limited bus use along Arkwright Walk.
Physical improvement at Bridgeway Centre to include removal of metal art works, new soffits and lighting	Highways, Property Plus, NDO's & Councillors	Soffits at businesses frontage installed Metal art works removed October 2016
Secure and make safe decommissioned NCH properties across The Meadows (including Arkwright Walk and Blackstone Walk)	NCH	Properties on Blackstone Walk demolished. Arkwright walk properties secured and demolition underway.
Regeneration of Bosworth Walk, Tarbert Close, Saffron Gardens, Beardsley Gardens and Middle Furlong Gardens, to include 55 new family homes and bungalows, with a new shared surface link route from Tarbert Close through to Ainsworth Drive.	NCH	The 8 properties on Bosworth Walk are now delayed due to Severn Trent Water not agreeing with the drainage consultant's drawings for water connections. Consultation is due to commence for a scheme on the site of the former Clifton Miners Welfare. Proposals for the new scheme are at a very early, indicative stage.

		Pre-application planning advice / discussions currently underway regarding the redevelopment of Meadows Police Station. This will be an NCH owned market rent scheme, comprising 21 apartments and associated infrastructure.
Implementation of Development plan for Clifton District Centre	Town Centre Co-ordinator	Ongoing

Priority 4 - Drugs

actions	by Whom	timescales
Identify 'hotspots' across the area for IV drug usage (discarded needles and syringes) – develop action plan	Police, Community Protection and Street operatives, CDP, NDO	Action Plan developed Hotspots targeted during ward walks and officer patrols -CP use a daily patrol plan CP Operational Support

		team also tasked to Meadows
To clear sites of discarded needles and syringes	Street Operatives, NCH and Community Protection	Decommissioned properties secured Hot spots checked daily
To gather 'intelligence' and carry out enforcement actions	Police and Community Protection	Several prosecutions taking place 18 people and 2 vehicles searched 17 Warrants executed Shop at Arkwright Walk closed down CPOs add intelligence onto police systems from daily patrols 3Gs to be placed at dealing hot spots. Consults done.

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AREA 8 COMMITTEE (Bridge, Clifton North, Clifton South) – 1 March 2017

Title of paper:	AREA CAPITAL FUND – 2016/17 Programme	
Director(s)/ Corporate Director(s):	Dave Halstead Director of Neighbourhood Services	Wards affected: Bridge, Clifton North & Clifton South
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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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Energy, Sustainability and Customer		<input type="checkbox"/>
Jobs, Growth and Transport		<input checked="" 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):		
This report provides Councillors with :- Latest spend proposals under the Area Capital Fund including highways, traffic and safety, public realm		
Recommendation(s):		
1	a) Note the monies available to Bridge, Clifton North and Clifton South Wards as outlined in Appendix 1 b) That the Area Committee approve the programme of schemes for Bridge and Clifton South Ward as outlined in Appendix 1	

1	<u>REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS</u>
1.1	<p>The Nottingham LTP strategy 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.</p> <p>As part of the budget process Nottingham City Council approved on 23rd February 2016 an LTP capital allocation of £1.25 million citywide and General Fund (public realm) of £0.75 million between 2016-2017</p> <p>To give opportunity for the Area Committee to make comment on suggested schemes and their progress</p> <p>Area Capital Fund schemes, including the Local Transport Plan (LTP) element, have been identified through various methods including consultation, Citizen feedback via Councillors Casework and partnership working.</p>

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. The improvements that have been carried out to date using this programmed have included footpath, fences, visual enhancements to public realm, refurbishment of parks and improvements to public buildings.
- 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**

None

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

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)**

None

7 **EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

Has the equality impact been assessed?

Not needed (report does not contain proposals or financial decisions)

No

Yes— Equality impact Assessment attached

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

Highways Framework Agreement

9 **PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT**

Executive Board Report, **23 February 2016**

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Bridge Area Capital 2016 - 2017 Programme

Bridge LTP schemes

Location	Type	Councillor Prioritised / Area Committee Approved	Estimate	Estimated start date	Completed	Details
Meadows area 2	parking	Prioritised 20 January 2016	£13,750			Resident parking scheme for rest of Meadows (LTP contribution) - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Bridge Ward schools	road safety	Prioritised 20 January 2016	£1,750			School signs in vicinity of Robin Hood Way / Sudan Drive and 20 mph roundels - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Beauvale Road	carriageway	Approved September 2016	£15,076	in planning		Microasphalt surface treatment on Beauvale Road - lead service: Highway Maintenance
Gritley Mews	footpath	Approved May 2016	£10,077	27/06/2016	complete	Resurfacing of footway on Gritley Mews - lead service: Highway Services
Bathley Street	carriageway	Approved May 2016	£15,665	15/08/2016	complete	Microasphalt surface treatment on Bathley Street - lead service: Highway Maintenance

Total LTP schemes*

£56,318

Bridge Public Realm schemes

Location	Type	Councillor Prioritised / Area Committee Approved	Estimate	Estimated start date	Completed	Details
Meadows area 2	parking	Prioritised 20 January 2016	£26,250			Resident parking scheme for rest of Meadows (PR contribution) - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Bridgway Centre	security	Prioritised 20 January 2017	£40,000			Car park automatic number plate recognition - lead service: NCH
Bridge Ward CCTV	security cameras	Approved May 2016	£10,960			Provision of 2 x3G CCTV camera with 2 year licence and 8 relocations to identified sites - lead service: Neighbourhood Management
Bridgeway Centre artwork	area improvement	Approved May 2016	£1,050	03/10/2016	complete	Additional contribution to previous funding to remove metal artwork in front of shops - lead service: Highway Maintenance

Total Public Realm schemes**

£78,260

Bridge Withdrawn schemes

Location	Type	Reason	Amount	Details
Bathley Street	carriageway	underspend	£3,118	Micro-asphalt surface treatment on Bathley Street - lead service Highway Maintenance (May-16)

Total Decommited***

£3,118

2016 - 2017 LTP allocation

£53,200

LTP carried forward from 2015 - 2016

£0

2016 - 2017 Public Realm allocation

£31,900

Public Realm carried forward from 2015 - 2016

£47,048

Total Available 2016 - 2017 ACF		£132,148
*Less LTP schemes	-	£56,318
**Less Public Realm schemes	-	£78,260
***Decommitted funds	+	£3,118
Remaining available balance		£688
LTP element remaining		£0
Public Realm element remaining		£688

Clifton North Area Capital 2016 - 2017 Programme

Clifton North LTP schemes

Location	Type	Councillor Prioritised / Area Committee Approved	Estimate	Estimated start date	Completed	Details
Midhurst Way	footpath	Approved September 2016	£39,777	07/11/2016	complete	Footpath reconstruction on Midhurst Way (even numbered side only) - lead service: Highway Maintenance
Smithy Close/ Clifton North	TRO	Approved September 2016	£6,000			Additional contribution to previously agreed schemes - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Clifton Grove Estate	study	Approved September 2016	£1,500			Study into feasibility of a residents parking scheme - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Sumburgh Road area	footpath	Approved September 2016	£223	in planning		Surface treatment of footpaths on Huntly Cl, Glenlivet Gdns, Fairisle Cl, Lerwick Cl, Sumburgh Rd and link footpaths: joint scheme with NCH and Highway Maintenance (LTP contribution) - lead service: Highway Maintenance

Total LTP schemes*

£47,500

Clifton North Public Realm schemes

Location	Type	Councillor Prioritised / Area Committee Approved	Estimate	Estimated start date	Completed	Details
Sumburgh Road area	footpath	Approved September 2016	£22,374	in planning		Surface treatment of footpaths on Huntly Cl, Glenlivet Gdns, Fairisle Cl, Lerwick Cl, Sumburgh Rd and link footpaths: joint scheme with NCH and Highway Maintenance (PR contribution) - lead service: Highway Maintenance
Clifton North Ward CCTV	security cameras	Approved May 2016	£16,440			Provision of 3 x3G CCTV camera with 2 year licence and 8 relocations to identified sites - lead service: Neighbourhood Management
Eddleston Drive	fencing	Approved May 2016	£1,500			Fencing in Eddleston Drive and open area - lead service: Locality Management

Total Public Realm schemes**

£40,314

Clifton North Withdrawn schemes

Location	Type	Reason	Amount	Details
Previously decommitted			£4,296	

Total Decommitted***

£4,296

2016 - 2017 LTP allocation

£47,500

LTP carried forward from 2015 - 2016

£0

2016 - 2017 Public Realm allocation		£28,500
Public Realm carried forward from 2015 - 2016		£7,518
Total Available 2016 - 2017 ACF		£83,518
*Less LTP schemes	-	£47,500
**Less Public Realm schemes	-	£40,314
***Decommitted funds	+	£4,296
Remaining available balance		£0
LTP element remaining		£0
Public Realm element remaining		£0

Clifton South Area Capital 2016 - 2017 Programme

Clifton South LTP schemes

Location	Type	Councillor Prioritised / Area Committee Approved	Estimate	Estimated start date	Completed	Details
Summerwood Lane	footpath	Prioritised 30 January 2017	£28,857			Resurface footpath on Summerwood Lane (odd numbers side) from to Breckswood Drive to far edge of Brecks Plantation - lead service: Highway Maintenance
Silbury Drive/ Barbury Drive	road safety	Prioritised 17 January 2017	£3,600			installation of two pairs of tactile pedestrian crossings at identified sites - lead service: Highway Maintenance
Clifton South ward	parking	Approved September 2016	£9,000			Review of parking issues across the ward and proposed solutions - lead service Traffic & Safety
Summerwood Lane	footpath	Approved May 2016	£25,420	22/08/2016	complete	Resurface footpath on Summerwood Lane (odd numbers side) from Conifer Crescent link footpath to Breckswood Drive - lead service: Highway Maintenance

Total LTP schemes*

£66,877

Clifton South Public Realm schemes

Location	Type	Councillor Prioritised / Area Committee Approved	Estimate	Estimated start date	Completed	Details
Barbury Drive area	area improvement	Prioritised 17 January 2017	£57,268			Contribution to scheme to provide parking, fencing and footpath. Joint with NCH - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Clifton South Ward CCTV	security cameras	Approved May 2016	£16,440			Provision of 3 x3G CCTV camera with 2 year licence and 8 relocations to identified sites - lead service: Neighbourhood Management

Total Public Realm schemes**

£73,708

Clifton South Withdrawn schemes

Location	Type	Reason	Amount	Details
Barbury Drive	footpath	scheme superseded	£11,933	Large scale patching and reduced limits - as agreed at site meeting with Councillors (May-12)

Total Decommited***

£11,933

2016 - 2017 LTP allocation

£59,900

LTP carried forward from 2015 - 2016

£1,663

2016 - 2017 Public Realm allocation

£36,000

Public Realm carried forward from 2015 - 2016

£37,708

Total Available 2016 - 2017 ACF

£135,271

*Less LTP schemes

- £66,877

**Less Public Realm schemes

- £73,708

***Decommited funds

+ £11,933

Remaining available balance

£6,619

LTP element remaining

£6,619

Public Realm element remaining

£0

AREA 8 COMMITTEE – 1 March 2017

Title of paper:	Delegated Authority Projects and Ward Councillor Budgets	
Director(s)/ Corporate Director(s):	Dave Halstead Director of Neighbourhood Services	Wards affected: Bridge, Clifton North & Clifton South
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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		<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):		
This report advises the Area Committee of the use of delegated authority by the Corporate Director for Commercial and Operations for the financial year 2016/17, and the Ward Councillors Revenue Budget allocation for 2016/17.		
Recommendation(s):		
1	To note the actions agreed by the Corporate Director for Commercial and Operations in respect of projects and schemes within Area 8, detailed in Appendix 1.	
2	To note the individual Ward Councillors Revenue Budget allocation of £5,000 for 2016/17.	

1 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.1 Records detailing Councillors 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 Councillors.

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 Councillors budget allocations.

3 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 Covered within the Appendix.

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

- 4.1 Councillors had an individual allocation for 2015/16 of £5,000 and have received another £5,000 for 2016/17. Uncommitted funds from the previous financial year will be carried forward to the 2016/17 allocation. Arrangements agreed by Executive Board for spending the money were reported to the Area Committee at its meeting in June 2015.

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 Councillors 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 An EIA is not needed as the report does not contain proposals or financial decisions

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

**Authority Approval
BRIDGE WARD BUDGET ALLOCATION**

Schemes: BRIDGE Ward	Councillor(s)	Amount (total)
Bridgeway Centre Floral Display	Cllr Heaton, Cllr Edwards – Bridge Ward Pooled Budget	2,516.00
Arkwright Meadows Community Gardens Events – Spring Open Day, Summer Event & Autumn Harvest	Cllr Heaton, Cllr Edwards – Bridge Ward Pooled Budget	1,195.00
Nottingham Music Service	Cllr Heaton, Cllr Edwards – Bridge Ward Pooled Budget	240.00
Nottingham Carnival	Cllr Heaton, Cllr Edwards – Bridge Ward Pooled Budget	500.00
Trent Bridge Community Trust – “Street Cricket Sessions”	Cllr Heaton, Cllr Edwards – Bridge Ward Pooled Budget	1000.00
25ft Christmas tree (purchase, install and dismantle)- Bridgeway Centre	Cllr Heaton, Cllr Edwards – Bridge Ward Pooled Budget	2,378.56
Safe Alternative Centre CIC – Fun day	Cllr Heaton, Cllr Edwards – Bridge Ward Pooled Budget	1000.00
Your Choice Your Voice Dragons Den	Cllr Heaton, Cllr Edwards – Bridge Ward Pooled Budget	2,500.00
Manzil – Cohesion event and Outing	Cllr Heaton, Cllr Edwards – Bridge Ward Pooled Budget	1,145.00
Eid Event	Cllr Heaton, Cllr Edwards – Bridge Ward Pooled Budget	590.00
Meadows Library Poetry	Cllr Edwards	200.00
26 th Nottingham (The Meadows) Scout Group	Cllr Edwards	700.00
Total allocated at 16/02/17		£ 13,964.56
Balance B’Fwd 2015/16 Inc. Dec-commit at 09/03/16		£ 11016.89
Allocation 2016/17		£ 10,000.00
Returned/De-committed at 03/01/17		£ 243.52
Total available allocation		£ 21,260.41
Total allocated at 16/02/2017		£ 13,964.56
Total unallocated at 16/02/17		£ 7,295.85

CLIFTON NORTH WARD BUDGET ALLOCATION

Schemes: CLIFTON NORTH Ward	Councillor(s)	Amount (total)
Wilford Community Group – May Day event	Cllr Rule	300.00
Drive in Cinema at NET Park & Drive	Cllrs Cook & Ferguson	1,200.00
Wilford Community Group – Queen’s Birthday community event	Cllrs Cook, Ferguson & Rule	300.00
Nottingham Music School	Cllrs Cook, Ferguson & Rule	360.00
Literacy Volunteers	Cllrs Cook, Ferguson & Rule	170.00
Clear-up at rear of shops on Varney Road	Cllr Rule	473.00
Gazebo for Clifton Community Family Support Group	Cllr Cook & Ferguson	660.00
Ruddington Lane Recreational Ground – Family Funday	Cllr Cook & Ferguson	750.00
NG11 Clifton Foodbank – racking, tables & chairs	Cllr Rule	606.00
Clifton Area Travel Grants	Cllrs Cook, Ferguson & Rule	1,173.00
Wilford Children’s Bonfire	Cllr Rule	535.00
Silverdale Park & Fairham Brook – litter bin & seating	Cllr Ferguson	972.00
Clifton All Whites (Clifton FC) Fireworks display	Cllr Cook & Ferguson	1,000.00
Silverdale Senior Citizens Xmas Event	Cllrs Cook, Ferguson & Rule	600.00
Fireworks Display at Ministry of Restoration	Cllr Ferguson	100.00
NG11 Childminders – purchase of toys/training	Cllr Cook	840.00
Clifton Remembrance Day Wreath	Cllrs Cook, Ferguson & Rule	23.00
Clifton Christmas Light Event	Cllrs Cook, Ferguson & Rule	2,000.00
Christmas Fayre at Clifton NG11 Foodbank	Cllrs Cook, Ferguson & Rule	450.00
Wilford Church Luncheon Club	Cllrs Cook, Ferguson & Rule	1,490.00
Good Companions Christmas Party	Cllrs Cook, Ferguson & Rule	300.00
Christmas Tree at Wilford Green	Cllr Cook & Ferguson	1,120.00
Picnic in the Park	Cllrs Cook, Ferguson & Rule	1,750.00
Official Opening of Clifton Flower Park play area	Cllrs Cook, Ferguson & Rule	500.00
Teddy Bear’s picnic	Cllrs Cook, Ferguson & Rule	500.00
	Total allocated at 01/02/17	£ 18,172.00
	Balance B’Fwd 2015/16	£ 17,532.00
	Allocation 2016/17	£ 15,000.00
	Total available allocation	£ 32,532.00
	Total allocated at 01/02/17	£ 18,172.00
	Total unallocated at 01/02/17	£ 14,360.00

CLIFTON SOUTH WARD BUDGET ALLOCATION

Schemes: CLIFTON SOUTH Ward	Councillor(s)	Amount (total)
Literacy Volunteers	Cllrs Gibson, Jenkins & Young	810.00
Nottingham Music School	Cllrs Gibson, Jenkins & Young	240.00
Drive in Cinema at NET Park & Drive	Cllrs Gibson, Jenkins & Young	1,800.00
Defibrillator at Peacock Public House	Cllrs Gibson, Jenkins & Young	1,400.00
MPT Travel Grants	Cllrs Gibson, Jenkins & Young	1,172.00
Clifton All Whites Bonfire Night	Cllrs Gibson, Jenkins & Young	1,500.00
Parkgate Community Centre Santa Train	Cllrs Gibson, Jenkins & Young	900.00
Highbank Community Centre Urban Village Project	Cllrs Gibson, Jenkins & Young	2,500.00
Think Children	Cllrs Gibson, Jenkins & Young	466.00
Clifton Christmas Lights Event	Cllrs Gibson, Jenkins & Young	2,000.00
NG11 Foodbank Christmas Fayre	Cllrs Gibson, Jenkins & Young	450.00
Lark Hill Christmas Decorations	Cllrs Gibson, Jenkins & Young	100.00
New bin for Winscombe Mount	Cllrs Gibson	454.00
Good Companions Christmas Party	Cllrs Gibson, Jenkins & Young	300.00
Whiteways Court Christmas Party	Cllrs Gibson, Jenkins & Young	600.00
Picnic in the Park	Cllrs Gibson, Jenkins & Young	1,750.00
Teddy Bear's Picnic	Cllrs Gibson, Jenkins & Young	500.00
Official Opening of Clifton Flower Park play area	Cllrs Gibson, Jenkins & Young	500.00
Christmas Light Event	Cllrs Gibson, Jenkins & Young	2,000.00
Bin for Whitegate / Tintagel cut-through	Cllrs Gibson & Jenkins	454.00
Stirling Grove Park	Cllrs Gibson & Jenkins	5,000.00
	Total allocated at 17/02/2017	£ 24,896.00
	Balance B'Fwd 2015/16	£ 11,928.00
	Allocation 2016/17	£ 15,000.00
	Returned/De-committed at 17/02/2017	£ 3,500.00
	Total available allocation	£ 30,428.00
	Total allocated at 17/02/2017	£ 24,896.00
	Total unallocated at 24/10/16	£ 5,532.00

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