

# **Bridge**

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## INTRODUCTION

The Bridge Ward is situated on the south side of the city and covers the area of Meadows and part of the City Centre including Maid Marian Way, Castle Marina, London Road, Meadow Lane, Canal Street, the Broadmarsh, Market Square, Hockley and goes as far as Parliament Street.

The total population of the Bridge Ward is 14,669 (Census 2011), total population for Bridge Ward in 2001 was 9,084; this shows an increase by population of 61.5%.

Total number of dwellings in the Bridge Ward is 7,679 and has some of the following categories:

- Owned; Owned outright 10.1% (718)
- Owned: Mortgage or loan 17.1% (1,214)
- Social Rented: Rented from the Council (LA) 19.7% (1,402)
- Social Rented: Other 11.3% (800)
- Private Rented: 37.4% (2,657)

Source: ONS, Census 2011

**Population by Ethnic Group** – 51.8% (7,597) being White British, the largest minority group is Pakistani with 6.6 % (971), followed by Black African 5.1% (745), Indian 4.9% (713), Black Caribbean 3.2% (470), Mixed/White & Black Caribbean 4.45% (650)

**Population by Religion –** 37.8% (5,541) Christians – 12.2% (1,787) Muslim - 1.6% (234) Sikh - 2.4% (350) Hindu - 36.3% (5,326) no Religion

Source: ONS, Census 2011

#### **Qualifications:**

- No formal qualifications 19.6% (2,477)
- Level 1: (4 GCSE's or equivalent) 10.3% (1,296)
- Level 2: (5 GCSE's or equivalent) 11.3% (1,427)
- Level 3: (2 or more A levels or equivalent) 17.3% (2,185)
- Level 4: (Bachelors Degree, Higher Education) 32.0% (4,041)
- Apprenticeships 1.6% (204)

Source: ONS, Census 2011

#### **Economically Active:**

Employee: Part-Time 9.7% (1,187)Employee: Full-Time 37.2% (4,540)

Self Employed: 4.55% (545)Unemployed: 6.0% (735)

• Full-Time Student: 7.0% (855)

Source: ONS, Census 2011

The Bridge Ward has a mixed population and communities get on well with each another. Recently the area has seen an increase of new and emerging communities mainly from Eastern European countries as well as from Africa.

There are a number of residential areas across the ward including Cliff Road, private estate off Castle Marina, Turneys Quays, flats in the city centre and the Meadows. The largest community residential area is in the Meadows.

There are two distinct areas within the Meadows, the Old Meadows and the New Meadows. Old Meadows has the traditional open street layout with terraced housing in the main, where as the new Meadows was built with the Radburn layout where a frontage of a property can face the rear of another property. This area also has walkways that run under and to the side of properties with many cut through ways and options.

The Meadows has three primary schools Greenfields, Riverside and Welbeck. The expansion of Riverside Primary School has doubled the school's capacity from 210 places to 420 places. Riverside school has now become an academy.

The Meadows has two Police Beat Areas which are covered by the Neighbourhood Policing Teams and they are Meadows and Riverside. The Riverside Beat covers part of the new Meadows, the industrial estate off Queens Drive and the retail area at Castle Marina. A decision has been made to close Meadows Police Station, and once a neighbourhood policing base has been established within the Meadows, staff will move across to Riverside.

The area is home to some of the best parks and open spaces across the city with Queens Walk Recreation Ground once again being honoured with the Green Flag status in 2014, and the Victoria Embankment which is used by people from across the city and beyond.

A Master Plan has also been put in place for additional recreational/resources to be introduced on Victoria Embankment, with a series of consultation meetings/events taken place to obtain the views and desires of local people. The Master Plan was presented to the Area Committee in February 2013 where it was approved and progress update reported at February 2015 meeting. Confirmations of the grant funding has been received to enable the pavilion project to go ahead and are just waiting for final design and materials samples before giving the green light to commence the project on site.

The pavilion for cricket and football will be built this year echoing the style of the original building.

The Meadows is going through some major developments at the moment including the Net Phase Two line with works taking place at various locations, and the Decommissioning works by NCH.

#### **Tram Works**

The tram works in the Meadows area, along Queens Walk and Meadows Way, are now mostly complete, with remaining works including remedial or 'snagging' works, which are to make good any construction issues, and the completion of landscaping.

Tram testing and driver training is now well advanced, and initial timetable tests were recently successfully completed on both lines. Final timetable tests have started, and the system will open to the public soon after these are completed and passed.

#### **Meadows Decommissioning Update**

The first three phases are now complete with the final resident moving out of phase one on 18 June 2015.

Within the final phase there are currently 12 tenants and 9 leaseholders remaining. The Relocation Support team are working with the remaining residents to find alternative accommodation to meet the target date of 30 September 2015.

#### Pitcairn & Hobart

Construction on the Pitcairn Close site, consisting of asra affordable rented and shared ownership properties has completed. There is a privacy issue for end units whose back gardens can be seen through the retained metal fence running along the footpath at Oxbow Close and asra are currently seeking a solution. A further 4 asra shared ownership properties are due to be delivered in September on the Hobart Close site formerly occupied by garages. Construction of Blueprint market sale properties at Hobart Close site is progressing well with units expected to complete between August and October. The final six market sale homes will completed in November on the Wilford Crescent West site. All available market sale homes have been reserved.

#### **Arkwright & Blackstone**

This scheme is now out to tender for private residential development with the deadline for responses being 25<sup>th</sup> Sept. Decommissioning is now over 80% complete at Arkwright Walk.

#### **West Meadows**

Demolition continues at Saffron Gardens with preparations now being made for the block at Middle Furlong Gardens following the sale of the last remaining freehold property. Keepmoat are expected to start on site imminently to deliver 54 new council homes across the decommissioned sites including the former Cromarty Court.

This report will also highlight a range of projects/activities that have been delivered and planned to be delivered between July 2015 and September 2015. Furthermore, Summer of Action (which replaces previous years Week of Action) was delivered from the 1<sup>st</sup> June till the end of August 2015. Partner services were able to deliver a range of activities and project that addressed issues under the ward priorities for the Bridge Ward. In total fourty five different projects were delivered as part of the "Summer of Action" ranging from crime and safety, environmental, engagement and sport.

The Bridge Ward priorities have been revised at the Your Choice Your Voice event which was held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2014. Lead services consulted with citizens on the five core themes of Nottingham Plan 2020, and the priorities highlighted are those that have been agreed by citizens with partners for targeted action/s.

## Ward priorities – Progress update

Priorities reviewed at the Your Choice Your Voice event in December 2014

Theme	Priority	Key Actions	Outcome	Lead
SAFER	ASB – Arkwright Walk	<ul> <li>Operation plan put in place by the Police</li> <li>Meetings and joint work with key services</li> </ul>	High Visibility Policing in the area Warrants executed Community youth engagement Offender management Target offenders and place on ASB where appropriate Crime prevention advice provided to residents	Neighbourhood Policing Team
	Off road Motorbikes	<ul> <li>CP- continuing with hi visibility patrols to deter ASB and gathering intelligence</li> <li>Appeal to citizens and services for intel on addresses where bikes might be kept</li> </ul>		

NEIGHBOUR- HOODS	Fly Tipping:	<ul> <li>Discussions with relevant partners on legal measures available for rubbish in alleyways</li> <li>Discussions with relevant landlords/tenants to address issues in relation to their property</li> </ul>	Increased Community Protection patrols  Leaflet drop and property visits carried out – Removal of bins & clear up of rubbish & litter	Neighbourhood Services Community Protection  Community Protection Neighbourhood Services
		<ul> <li>Continue with close work with TRA's in highlighting hotspots and raising awareness / educations amongst local residents</li> <li>Continue with Bulky Waste Collection awareness across the Ward</li> <li>Ward Walks around hotspots / alleyways</li> <li>To roll out anti-fly tipping</li> </ul>	Improvement seen on reduced bins on street  Notice/s issued to landlords for clearing rubbish in property garden  Issues identified and action taken	Community Protection  Community Protection  Community Protection
		<ul> <li>To foil out anti-fly tippling stickers</li> <li>Increased work on securing prosecutions for fly tipping</li> <li>Targeted work on problem properties on Beauvale Road</li> </ul>	Highlighting environmental crime incidences  Gather intel for action/ joint work with HMO team, recommendation for refusal of HMO license	Community Protection / Neighbourhood Services
		<ul> <li>Work closely with Street Cleansing to identify person/s responsible for fly tipping and taking necessary action for investigation and enforcement</li> </ul>	June 2015 7 – Graffiti 47 – Fly tips 10 – LBA's 5 – FPN's	Community Protection Neighbourhood Services

<ul> <li>Identify owners of waste in alleyways</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Investigate and take enforcement when possible on each fly tip/waste case</li> </ul>	Cllr ward walks delivered with partner agencies to action issues picked up	Neighbourhood Services / CP
<ul> <li>Distribute information to residents</li> </ul>	Regular site visits carried out and Intel sourced	Community Protection
<ul> <li>CPO's to issue FPNs if waste out and no collection booked</li> <li>CPO's taking enforcement action and issuing FPN's for non compliance</li> </ul>	July 2015 7 – Graffiti (1 offensive BNP tag) 41– Fly tips 14– LBA's 6– FPN's (Litter)	Community Protection
CPOs fully investigate every fly tip reported or discovered, photographed and searched for any evidence of its origin, CCTV checked if available and door knocking carried out to gather intelligence on who is responsible. CCTV signage/Anti fly tipping posters added to hot spot areas and letter drops done in hot spots. Alleyway fly tips a priority at moment. NCC Bulky waste service also promoted to domestic householders. Work carried out throughout Summer of Action.	On average, two Fixed Penalty Notices have been issued to individuals in Meadows each month, from small scale fly tips.	Community Protection-CPOs/Neighbourhood Services.

	Hotspots: Queens Walk, Rec, Bathley Street, Felton Road, Woodward Street, Bunbury Street, Green Street, Collygate Road	Gather intelligence on hot spot areas and encourage public to report anyone seen not picking up after their dog. Conduct regular patrols at the known dog fouling hot spots and carried out Operations at these locations. To use CPNs where appropriate. Promotion work done across Meadows with Dogs Trust Big Scoop campaign as part of Summer of Action. To carry out more regular operations in near future and to work more closely with FIDO operatives to share direct intelligence.	One Dog Fouling FPN issued during operation. Good response from Big Scoop campaign, and got families involved in reporting dog fouling and encouraging responsible dog ownership. Four CPN Warning letters issued regarding dog fouling and two subsequent Community Protection Notices issued to restrict a dog from regularly straying from its property and fouling on land nearby.	CP-CPOs/FIDO
FAMILIES	Deliver 4 Family events each year	1) A number of joint events have been held with partners, these include:  Bridgeway promotion event was held on the 23/07/15  Meadows Partnership Event: 13/08/15  Wheelgate – 43 families attended (across Area 8)  Friday Fun Finders – 15 families attended.	100 timetable distributed,  100 timetable distributed  90% reported it been a highlight over the summer so far	NCC Early Help

	Increase female     attendance at Meadows     Youth Club	2) Focus on targeting advertising with girls, Consultation with existing girls that attend.	Families have reported it has been great to be outdoors  April – June 15 – 2 females attended June- August 15 – 8 families attended.
	3. Increase the registration level of under 5's to the children's Centre, to 80%	3) Systematically contacting of families, Meetings held with Health Team Registration at Family Events Regularly meetings with 2yr programme provider	Quarter 4 – 91% increase 16.9%
	Deliver two volunteering course to support community involvement in services	4) Give a little, Gain A lot programme (1 <sup>st</sup> steps into volunteering) have been developed and is due to launch in all sessions in September. A parent booklet is available on the 1 <sup>st</sup> Steps into volunteering.	update in next quarter
HEALTH	Health Services improvements	No updated information received from Health.	
	<ul> <li>Activities that improve mental health and physical health</li> <li>Healthy food</li> </ul>		

WORKING	1/ More Training opportunities with a key focus on support for young people and people over the age of 40.	To set up and employment and skills partnership to better coordinate local training and employment provision through the Area 8 Jobs Plan.	2 local meetings have already taken place with representatives from 15 organisations and training providers. Local jobs plan has been updated with priorities set for 2015/2016	MPT
		To engage more young people 18-24 onto the step in to work project	Have promoted widely across the area and through our partnerships and networks and have held a number of local events to promote the project	NCC Futures DWP MPT
		<ul> <li>Secured additional short term funding (April – July 15) through the Flexible Support Fund via Futures to support long term unemployed and in particular people over 50</li> </ul>	70 people engaged and supported through a 12 week employability programme of which 12 people have progressed into work.	Futures MPT
		<ul> <li>Plan a local Community information event bringing together training, employment and specialist providers</li> </ul>	Event to take place 13 <sup>th</sup> August on the Bridgeway centre 11am – 3pm	MPT
		<ul> <li>Travel grants have been extended until 31/03/2016</li> </ul>	April – June awarded 105 grants	MPT

2/ More Employment opportunities locally with a key focus on support for young people and people over the age of 40.	<ul> <li>Through the One Stop Shop we have Monday – Friday 1-1 support available for people over the age of 16 to help them find work.</li> <li>Friday afternoons MPT</li> </ul>	April – June we supported and registered 160 new people at the One Stop Shop with 19 people progressing into employment during this quarter  On average we see	MPT
	have a Work Club between 2pm – 5pm.	around 15-20 people attending the Friday work club	MPT
	<ul> <li>Free on line computer access at the One Stop Shop for local people to access DWP universal job match accounts in their quest to find employment</li> </ul>	April – June we have seen 178 individual people accessing our free computers to access their Universal Job Match accounts for on line Job Search.	MPT
	<ul> <li>Free Telephone access to call employers.</li> </ul>	Free telephone accessed Daily by the Community	MPT
	<ul> <li>To Support the City Councils Employment and Skills team with local Job fair at the Albert Hall.</li> <li>To support the City Councils Employment and Skills team with the City</li> </ul>	Attended the Jobs Fair at the Albert Hall on the 11 <sup>th</sup> June 10am – 3pm and Promoted the event locally.	City Council E&S Team

	<ul> <li>Wide Jobs Fair to be held on the 8<sup>th</sup> September 2015.</li> <li>Working with the City Council and partners on future Funding Bids for ongoing employment and Skills support services beyond April 2016. This includes working towards the continuation of Area based Grant Lead, D2N2, community Infrastructure grants and the 25 – 29 YIP</li> </ul>	Ongoing	City Council Area Leads Futures
3/ local support for people wanting to set up their own businesses including more opportunities for existing self-employed people.	MPT when available would apply for funding to take on a worker to deliver local self-employment workshops.  We would like to put together a local directory of services for self-employed people but have no funding to do this at the moment.	We promote both DWP and Futures self-employment workshops and refer any interested local people.  We promote and advertise local self-employed businesses at the one stop shop.	DWP Futures MPT

# Community Engagement

#### **Events Delivered**

Event	Lead Partners	Date/Time	Venue
Summer of Action – projects ranging from environmental, engagement, enforcement	NCC, Vol & Com sector, Police, CP	1 <sup>st</sup> June – 31 <sup>st</sup> August	Across the Meadows
Guided walk – Queens Walk Story Poles	NMTRA	19 <sup>th</sup> June 2015 7 <sup>th</sup> August	Queens Walk
Eid Fair	Meadows Muslim Centre	12 <sup>th</sup> July 2015 – 12 – 4.00pm	Meadows Muslim Centre
Outing to Linby Farm	NMTRA	27 <sup>th</sup> July 2015	Linby Farm
Meadows Welcome Event	NMTRA	29 <sup>th</sup> July 2015	Carol Gardens
Field of Dreams – New Cricket Pavilion Event	Nott's CCC/ Nott's CB / NCC	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> August 2015 – 10 -	Victoria Embankment
Partner Services Event (part of Summer of Action)	MPT	13 <sup>th</sup> August 2015 – 10.00am – 3.00pm	Bridgeway Centre
Nottingham Carnival	Nottingham Carnival Trust	Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> August 2015	Victoria Embankment
Open Day	Queens Walk Community Centre	Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> August 2015 - 11.00am – 2.45pm	Queens Walk Community Centre
NMTRA Barbeque	NMTRA	27 <sup>th</sup> August 2015 – 6.00pm	Queens Walk Recreation Ground
NMTRA Outing to York	NMTRA	Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2015	Visit to York

#### **Future Events and Activities Planned**

Event	Lead Partners	Date/Time	Venue
Bridgeway Centre Christmas Event	MPT / NCC		Bridgeway Centre

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#### **Ward Walks**

Area/Estate	Date/Time	Meeting Point
Glapton Road, WCW, Holgate, Woolmer, Beauvale	Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> June 2015 – 11.00am	Corner of Glapton/Bathley Road
Osier, Oxbow, Sandays, Sudan, Thrumpton, Lybster	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2015 – 11.00am	Queens Walk Community Centre
Cromarty, Hope, Middle Furlong, Bosworth etc.	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September 2015 – 11.00am	Outside Meadows Police Station
Lammas, Uppingham, Eugene, St Saviours	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> November 2015 – 11.00am	Outside One Stop Shop

### **Community Meetings**

Group	Date	Venue
Queens Walk Community Association Meeting	Last Monday of every month (except for December) starting at 7.30pm	Queens Walk Community Centre
OMTRA Public Meeting	Tuesday 21st July 2015 – 7.00pm	Meadows Library
Committee Meeting - NMTRA	9 <sup>th</sup> July 2015	Queens Walk Rec

## Finance

• Ward Councillor Budgets (as at 13/10/201	4)
Budget carried forward -	£ -20 (overspend from 2014/15 allocation):
Ward Councillors allocation for 2015/16 -	£10,000
Total amount available -	£09,980 (Minus £20 overspend from 2014/15)
Returned/De-committed at 14/08/2015	£04,112
Total amount allocated as of 02/09/2015	£00,870
Total unallocated at 02/09/2015	£13,220
Total amount available 2015/2016	£13,220
Area Capital Fund	
Total amount allocated 2015/2016 £7,453	
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<ul> <li>ACF LTP Allocation 2015/2016</li></ul>	£ 66,000
<ul> <li>ACF LTP carryover from 2013/2015</li> </ul>	£ 4.725

- ACF LTP carryover from 2013/2015
- ACF Public Realm Allocation 2015/2016-----£ 39,450
- ACF Public Realm carryover from 2013/2015-----£ 15,012
- Less LTP scheme this period-----£ 2,453
- Less Public Realm scheme-----£ 5,000
- Total ACF Available 2015/2016----- £117,734
- Others Section 106, NCH Environmentals, Other Funding