

BERRIDGE AND SHERWOOD AREA COMMITTEE
24 SEPTEMBER 2015

Title of paper:	WARD PERFORMANCE REPORTS – QUARTER 1 (April-July 2015)	
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Date of consultation with Portfolio Holder(s) (if relevant)	N/A	
Relevant Council Plan Strategic Priority:		
Cutting unemployment by a quarter		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Cut crime and anti-social behaviour		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Ensure more school leavers get a job, training or further education than any other City		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Your neighbourhood as clean as the City Centre		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Help keep your energy bills down		<input type="checkbox"/>
Good access to public transport		<input type="checkbox"/>
Nottingham has a good mix of housing		<input type="checkbox"/>
Nottingham is a good place to do business, invest and create jobs		<input type="checkbox"/>
Nottingham offers a wide range of leisure activities, parks and sporting events		<input type="checkbox"/>
Support early intervention activities		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Deliver effective, value for money services to our citizens		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/service users):		
<p>The ward performance reports provide updates on key issues and themes which link back to local priorities and strategic themes in the Nottingham Plan 2020. The reports provide summary updates on the following key themes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ward priorities; • community engagement; • Finance • safer theme – crime and anti-social behaviour (ASB); • neighbourhood theme – environmental issues and housing; • working theme – unemployment rates; • housing; • community protection; • fire; • health theme – local health priorities. <p>The following is a brief summary by the respective ward Neighbourhood Development Officers (NDOs):</p>		

Ward: Berridge**NDOs: Debbie Royle and Beth Hanna**

Ward data is given for April – July 2015. Data is compared with the same time frame in 2014.

Ward Priorities:

Berridge Ward Priorities for April - June 2015 can be seen on the front page of the appendices. These priorities are reviewed quarterly with key partners via the monthly Neighbourhood Action Team (NAT) meetings. We continue to focus on improving parks and open spaces and traffic management and parking issues.

Community Engagement:

NDOs have organised monthly Ward Walks in the ward. Local Action Group meetings take place every 6 weeks throughout the ward. We organised an event for local people in Forest Fields at the beginning of the school holidays. This focused on energy saving and recycling, with lots of activities for children, young people and families.

We have organised the Freedom Programme information sessions and awareness raising around Domestic Violence for Central Locality Workers. We continue to work with the Roma Working Group enabling education providers to work together.

We ran a stall at the Hyson Green Cultural Festival and engaged with people from different local communities.

Crime:

Crime has increased by 11% (62 crimes) in Berridge for the year to date with a total of 604 incidents being reported during the year.

ASB:

Year to date ASB in the ward has increased by 28% with 114 more incidents reported.

Criminal Damage

Year to date Criminal Damage in the ward has decreased by 11% with 8 fewer incidents reported.

Cleanliness:

The index score is 87% for April – July. This is a decrease of 7% compared to the same time last year.

Graffiti Reports:

8 incidents were reported, compared to 7 in the previous year. This is a decrease of 1 (14%) since the previous year.

Flytipping:

126 incidents were reported year to date compared to 148 the previous year. This is a decrease of 15%.

Unemployment Rate:

Unemployment has fallen year to date by 29% from 3647 to 2582.

Ward: Sherwood**NDOs Angela Bolton and Leigh White**

Ward data is given for the period April-July 2015 and is compared with the same time frame in 2014.

Ward Priorities:

Our current priorities for the ward are to continue with the redevelopment of our local parks, work

with partners to improve the areas around Nottingham Prison, to implement a series of area capital schemes to make improvements to the look and feel of the area and to support our local community centres.

Community Engagement:

NDOs have organised 5 ward walks in this period in different areas of the ward. Consultation events and activities have been held at both Peggy's and Pirate Park. Residents were supported in setting up a new 'Friends of Pirate Park' group and the first, and very successful event was held at the park to grow membership of the group and to engage local residents in the future plans for the park. A fortnight of activities branded as 'Sherwood Story Celebration' took place at various locations in the ward involving local groups, partners, businesses and residents.

Crime:

Crime overall has increased by 11% (54 crimes) in Sherwood Ward year to date, with a total of 550 crimes.

ASB:

Year to date ASB in the ward has seen a 5% increase (12 incidents) – the total for this period being 247 incidents.

Criminal Damage:

Incidents of criminal damage have seen an increase from 55 incidents to 90, an increase of 35, representing a 64% increase overall.

Theft:

Year to date there has been a decrease of 2% (4 crimes)

Violence:

Year to date there has been an increase of 27% (27 crimes) from 101 to 128.

Burglary (dwelling):

A 41% decrease has been noted – this is 20 crimes compared to 34 for the same period last year – a decrease of 14 crimes.

Graffiti Reports:

6 incidents were reported – no change year to date.

Fly-tipping:

49 incidents were reported year to date compared to 85 the previous year. This represents a decrease of 42% or 36 incidents.

Unemployment:

The unemployment rate has fallen year to date by 25% from 1673 to 1258.

Cleanliness:

The cleanliness index score for Sherwood ward is 89 – a 1% decrease on last year. The ward still exceeds the standard expected for the city which is 86% and the month of July saw a cleanliness score of 95%.

Recommendation(s):

1	To note the key information from the Ward Performance reports for Quarter 1 for Berridge and Sherwood wards.
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1. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.1 Ward performance reports provide a descriptive and statistical picture of what is happening at a ward level and invite Councillors and community representatives to comment, debate, challenge and identify how they can add value to improve their neighbourhoods.
- 1.2 Ward performance reports also monitor progress in the wards and act 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 Neighbourhood Working has been important for a number of years in Nottingham as a means of engaging better with citizens and to drive forward service improvement.
- 2.2 The Nottingham Plan has a goal that 'public service delivery will be better integrated and appropriately devolved, ensuring more accessible and responsive services for all and giving residents more control over what happens in their neighbourhoods'; the Ward Performance report will help to support this.
- 2.3 The Ward Performance report captures work at a local level to support the Nottingham Plan. It is a short summary of key updates on priorities and issues in the ward. More detailed implementation plans sit behind the report such as the Ward Action Plan, NAT action log, Crime and Drug Partnership (CDP) plans and other partners' implementation plans.
- 2.4 The Ward Performance reports are co-ordinated by NDOs, with data analysis undertaken by the CDP.

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. EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Has the equality impact been assessed?

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

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No

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Yes – Equality Impact Assessment attached

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

7.1 Neighbourhood Working Framework 2012 CLT report.

8. PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT

8.1 None.