

## BASFORD AND BESTWOOD AREA COMMITTEE – 21 September 2016

<b>Title of paper:</b>	Basford and Bestwood Ward Priorities / Issues	
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### Relevant Council Plan Key Theme:

Strategic Regeneration and Development	<input type="checkbox"/>
Schools	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Planning and Housing	<input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Children, Early Intervention and Early Years	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Leisure and Culture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Resources and Neighbourhood Regeneration	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

### Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/service users):

This report focusses on current priorities and issues facing the Basford and Bestwood 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:

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| <b>1</b> | That the priorities, current issues and supporting information for the Basford and Bestwood Wards are noted and comments welcomed. |
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## **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 The Basford and Bestwood Wards sit within the wider Area 2 Committee which adopted four area based priorities at its first Area Cluster meeting – crime and grime, youth provision, bringing derelict sites into use and the social isolation of older people.
- 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 2 Committee on 24<sup>th</sup> February 2016 and will be updated at each area Committee
- 2.3 The area priorities listed in 2.1 sit within wider pieces of work and broader agendas which are being addressed by multi agency approaches across the City. At a Ward level it is important to identify how some of these more complex priorities can be worked on at local levels – either ward or area by introducing local solutions. This could, for example, include more targeted use of funding such as Ward Councillor budgets to support healthy eating initiatives or the use of Area Capital to develop an outdoor gym facility.
- 2.4 The current Ward priorities which have been reported previously through the area committee performance reports are shown in Appendix 1 (Bestwood) and 2 (Basford). These priorities will be updated for each area committee, taking into account discussions at NAT meetings and various groups and activities involving local residents.
- 2.5 Appendix 1 (Bestwood) and 2 (Basford) sets out the current key issues.
- 2.6 Appendix 1 (Bestwood) and 2 (Basford) highlights the forthcoming opportunities for citizens to engage in events and activities in their neighbourhoods.

**3 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS**

3.1 None.

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

4.1 None.

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

5.1 None.

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

6.1 None.

**7 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

7.1 An EIA is not required as this is not a new or changing policy, service or function. Appendix 1 & 2 highlights the forthcoming opportunities for citizens to engage in events and activities in their neighbourhoods

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

8.1 None.

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

9.1 None.

## APPENDIX 1

### Bestwood Ward Priorities

#### Safer Nottingham

Priority	Lead
To reduce all crime	Police
To reduce anti-social behaviour in the neighbourhood priority area, focusing upon hotspots, diversionary activities and nuisance neighbours	Police, Community Protection, NCH, Early Help & Area Lead.
To take action against deliberate fire setting	Fire Service
To address domestic violence through prevention and support services	Police and Early Help

#### Neighbourhood Nottingham

Priority	Lead
To improve the visual appearance of neighbourhoods by tackling hot spot areas and developing derelict land	City Services, Community Protection, NCH and Regeneration

#### Families Nottingham

Priority	Lead
Maintain activities for young people	Early Help, Area Lead
Increase awareness of welfare reform and support services	Bestwood Financial Resilience Group

#### Health Nottingham

Priority	Lead
To reduce childhood obesity	Public Health, City Care Nutrition Team, Southglade Leisure Centre, schools
To support local volunteers, raise aspirations and support community empowerment	NAT
To promote mental health services and mental well being	Public Health, NAT

#### Working Nottingham

Priority	Lead
To raise awareness of job opportunities and provide support to get people into employment.	NCC Economic Development Area Lead Bestwood Partnership

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

- Continued promotion of neighbourhood alert which has 842 followers (July 2016) and My Bestwood page (400 likes – Aug 2016)
- 2 weeks 4 streets engagement initiative to commence August 2016.
- Community Protection undertaking enforcement against noisy neighbours.
- Partner referral to Freedom Programme – for victims of domestic violence. New programme commence September 2016.
- Youth Strategy Group developed to oversee youth provision in Bestwood and Basford
- Lead Organisation delivering outreach youth work and sessional work in Bestwood to address on street youth related ASB.
- To manage the transition of young people from William Olds Youth Club to the Ridge Adventure Playground
- New Multi-Use Games Area works commenced July 2016
- Day of action delivered in Top Valley (June 2016)
- Undertaking regular ward walks.
- Deployment of CCTV camera into Ellsworth Rise area
- Launch of We're Watching You Campaign into Bellville Drive area (September 2016) to tackle dog fouling.
- Ongoing targeted dog fouling operations
- New Wellness In Mind drop in session to be held at Southglade Access Centre.
- Support establishment of new Employment and Skills Partnership
- Delivery of family learning opportunities
- Delivered Southglade Park Live Event (July 2016)
- Delivered Knights Close Bite Size Fun Day (August 2016)
- Love You Love Bestwood event planned for September – community cohesion event.

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

- 7<sup>th</sup> September – Launch of We're Watching You campaign – Bellville Drive Area
- 7<sup>th</sup> September – Cllr Ward Walk, 10-12pm, Bellville Drive Area
- 13<sup>th</sup> September – Nottingham Jobs Fair, 10-3pm at Nottingham Motorpoint Arena
- 24<sup>th</sup> September – Love You Love Bestwood Fun Day (Bestwood Park Church) 2-4pm
- 12<sup>th</sup> October – Cllr Ward Walk, location tbc
- 15<sup>th</sup> October – Community Rep Celebration, 10.30-12.30pm at the Council House
- 9<sup>th</sup> November – Cllr Ward Walk, location tbc
- 1<sup>st</sup> December – Bestwood Christmas Event, (3.30pm-6pm) at Bestwood Park Church

## APPENDIX 2 - Basford Ward Priorities

### Safer Nottingham

Priority	Lead
Promote Nottingham Alert and Twitter	Police
Reduce crime and Anti-social behaviour, focusing on hotspots, by increasing patrols and diversionary activities	NAT
To take action to reduce deliberate fires	Fire Service

### Neighbourhood Nottingham

Priority	Lead
Support Community groups and organisations to hold events	Neighbourhood Management
Promote interest in Tenants and Residents groups eg Whitemoor area	Nottingham City Homes
Target litter, dog fouling and fly tipping	NAT
Promote bulky waste appointment service and reduce bin contamination	Waste Management
Promote community litter pick events with TRA's schools, and residents	NAT
Improve parking around Southwark School by installing additional bollards	Traffic Management
Improving footways on Hayling Drive and Runton Drive	Highways

### Families Nottingham

Priority	Lead
Explore weekly youth group on Whitemoor estate	Early Help
Working with partners to secure additional funding for young people activities	NM
Additional sessions for young people in the Rosegarth and Heathfield Areas	Early Help and NM

### Health Nottingham

Priority	Lead
Increase physical activity including cycling and walking projects	Health, TravelRight
To reduce childhood obesity	Public Health, Schools and Henry Mellish S C

### Working Nottingham

Priority	Lead
To raise awareness of job opportunities and provide support to get people into employment.	NCC Economic Development, Bestwood Partnership

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

- Continued promotion of neighbourhood alert ( over 600 ) and My Basford Facebook ( Approximately 200)
- Review depending on policing resources of 4 weeks 4 streets initiative
- Additional patrols around the Basford Tram stop to reduce damage to trams and ongoing work by partners to explore what additional intervention can be put in place in the long term to address on street youth related asb.
- To promote the existing provision for young people on Heathfield and explore additional sessions in the Stockhill and Whitemoor Areas
- Undertaking regular ward walks.
- Action against Colsons – working with the Environment Agency to seek improvements on operation or to take enforcement action and investigate Nottingham City Council powers under planning and highway legislation to take enforcement action.
- Days of Action in October and March 2017 planned.
- Explore purchase of CCTV camera for Basford
- Launch of We're Watching You Campaign into Basford – summer 2016
- Ongoing targeted dog fouling and fly tipping operations, targeting the Brooklyn Bridge area
- Support establishment of new Employment and Skills Partnership
- Promote family learning opportunities provided by NCH and local colleges
- Continue investment into the Parks in the area
- To improve the state of trees in the area
- Improving the environment by encouraging residents to keep front areas clean
- Parking issues around schools – Additional TRO's introduced around Whitemoor School and additional bollards planned around Southwark School.
- Explore ways to reduce vandalism to trams along the River Leen path
- Discourage parking on grass verges to improve visual appearance of neighbourhoods – action taken on Bagnall Road and Ladbrooke Crescent.

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

- Monthly meeting with Stockhill and Ladbrooke Tenants and Residents
- Monthly meetings with Highbury Vale Tenants and Residents
- Monthly meetings with Rosegay TRA
- Quarterly meetings with Friends of Vernon Park
- Quarterly Ward Forums
- Day of Action around Brooklyn Bridge – October 2016
- Ward Walk – Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> August around Whitemoor
- Ward Walk – Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September around Bagnall Road and Greenwich Road
- Heathfield Park Summer Fun Day – Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September
- Community Cohesion Fun Day at Henry Mellish Sports Centre – Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October