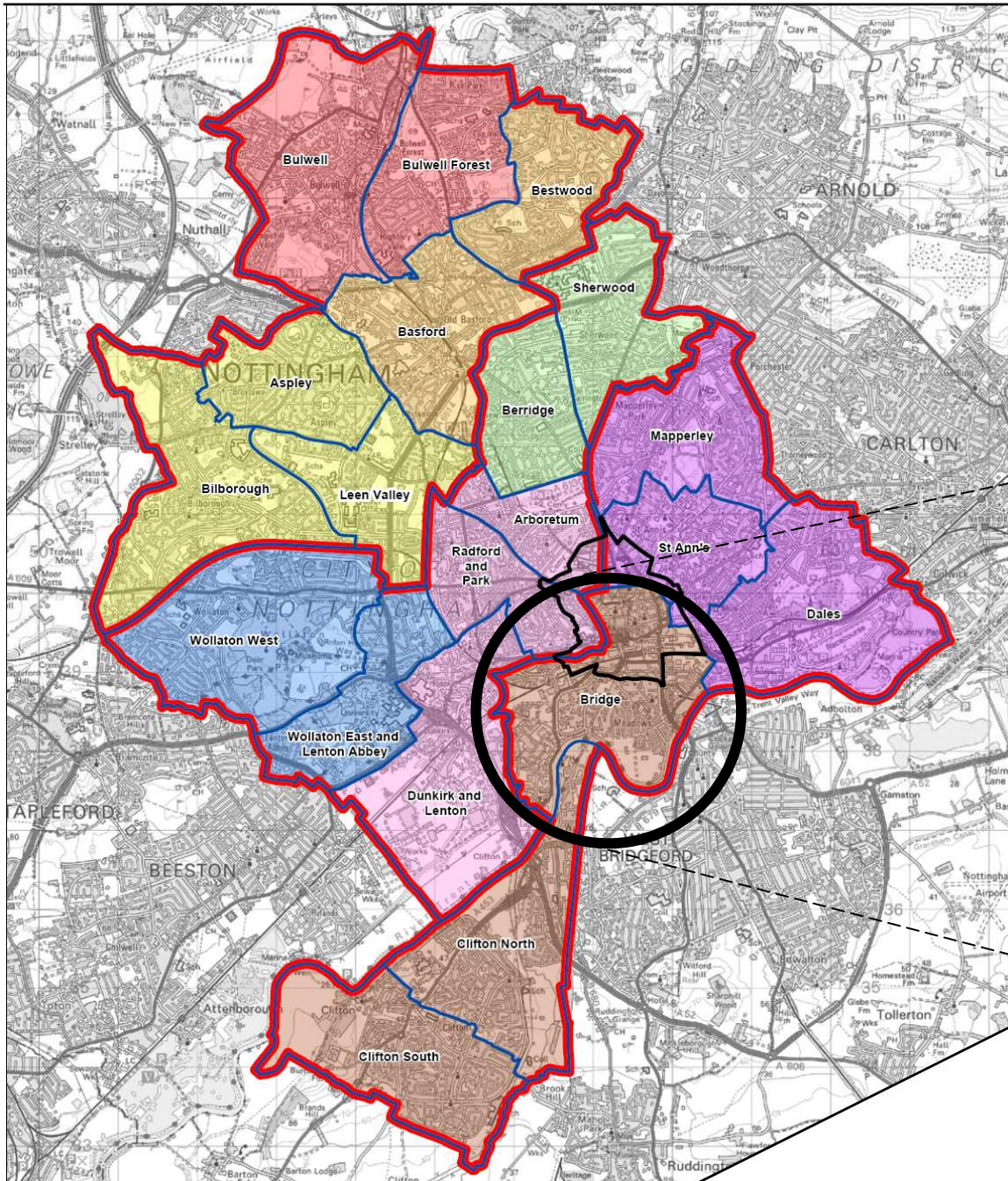


# Bridge

## Area Committee Report



May 2014

# 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 London Road, 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, Turnyes 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 Radbourne layout where a frontage of a property will 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 planned expansion of Riverside Primary School has been approved by Nottingham City Council and building work started early January. The expansion will double the school's capacity from 210 places to 420 places and will be complete by September 2014. Ofsted has recently put Riverside school under "Special Measures".

The Meadows has two Police Beat Areas which are covered by the Neighbourhood Policing Teams and they are The Meadows and Riverside. The Riverside Beat covers the New Meadows, the industrial estate off Queens Drive and the retail area at Castle Marina.

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 2012, and the Victoria Embankment which is used by people from across the city and wider.

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.

Improvement works continue at Victoria Embankment and are listed below:

- Further works have been carried out on the pond in the Memorial Gardens to get the fountains up and running.
- A large group of business volunteers will be working alongside the Park Rangers on site to carry out a number of improvements in May.
- Further pothole repairs have been carried out along the road between the entrance gates (Trent Bridge end) and Bunbury Street.

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.

The tram works in the Meadows area are progressing well, nearly all the track has now been laid along Queens Walk, with final finishes such as surfacing and the building of tram stops currently taking place. Track laying at the Sheriffs Way junction, which has been kept open during the works, has commenced and works are expected to be complete at the end of May. The direction of the temporary one way system on Meadows Way between Sheriffs Way and the Police Station was switched during March, and works are now progressing well on the outbound track, with track laying underway at the police station end. The new junction at the Queens Drive entrance to the NG2 business park has taken slightly longer to complete than was expected, and all traffic restrictions are expected to be removed from this junction in early May.

The contractor remains confident that tram services will begin operating for the general public towards the end of the year. Following installation of the overhead power line and intense safety testing of the track, the distinctive new Citadis trams are expected to start running on a trial basis through the Meadows towards the end of June. A safety awareness campaign will be launched in local schools to coincide with the start of testing in the Meadows.

### **Decommissioning - NCH**

Phase 1 – All tenants have now been relocated. There are still four leaseholders where negotiations are ongoing regarding purchasing their properties

Phase 2 – There are 26 void properties with 4 remaining tenants. There are four leaseholders where negotiations are ongoing regarding purchasing their properties

Phase 3 – Commenced in March 2014. There are 16 void properties and 16 tenants to move. There are 3 leaseholders where negotiations are ongoing regarding purchasing their properties.

Phase 4 – This is due to start in October 2014 with visits being undertaken in September 2014.

The lighting works are now complete for the Bridgeway Centre, the remaining works for the Bridge Ward are currently being designed with works commencing in May.

The majority of these works are on traffic routes and the City Centre, as the vast majority of the residential roads have already been completed.

This report will also highlight a range of projects/activities that have been delivered and planned to be delivered between March 2014 and May 2014.

The Bridge Ward priorities were determined (for 2014) at the Your Choice Your Voice event which was held on the 4<sup>th</sup> December 2013. 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 over the next several months.



# NEIGHBOURHOODS

## Fly Tipping:

- Keeping alleyways clean
- Gating of alleyways on Lamcote Grove

- Discussions with relevant partners on legal measures available for rubbish in alleyways
- Discussions with relevant landlords to address issues in relation to their property
- Continue with close work with TRA's in highlighting hotspots and raising awareness / educations amongst local residents
- Continue with Bulky Waste Collection awareness across the Ward
- Deliver individual bins on Terraces
- Partner Services walk around hotspot alleyways
- To meet with resident/s on Lamcote Grove for possible TRA set up
- Specific action via Bulky Waste targeting alleyway between Attercliffe and Barnsley Terrace
- Increased work on securing prosecutions for fly tipping

Increased Community Protection patrols

Leaflet drop and property visits carried out

Improvement seen on reduced bins on street

Notice/s issued to landlords for clearing rubbish in property garden

Alleyway cleared of items and rubbish  
Properties leafleted for resident involvement

**Feb 2014**  
**31**-Graffiti (2 offensive)  
**83** – Fly tips  
**16 FPN's** –(7 for litter, 8 for bin on street, 1 dog fouling)  
**54** – LBA's (letters before action) delivered

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	<p><b>Dog Fouling:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hotspots: Queens Walk, Queens Walk Recreation Ground</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work closely with Street Cleansing to identify person/s responsible for fly tipping and taking necessary action for investigation and enforcement</li> <li>Identify owners of waste in alleyways</li> <li>Investigate and take enforcement when possible on each fly tip/waste case</li> <li>Distribute information to residents</li> <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> <li>Operations done along Queens Walk and recreation ground periodically</li> <li>Early morning Dog Operations carried out regularly to gather intel</li> </ul>	<p>CLr ward walks delivered with partner agencies to action issues picked up</p> <p>Partner Services walk delivered in January 2014 around alleyway hotspots</p> <p>Commercial bins on Terraces removed and individual bins delivered to each property  <b>37</b> Letters Before Action in March 2014  <b>March 2014</b>  <b>8</b> FPN's  <b>25</b> – Graffiti  <b>66</b> – Fly tips reported  <b>March 2014</b>  <b>8</b> FPN's (4 for leaving litter &amp; 4 for sec 46 breaches for bins on street)</p>	<p>Neighbourhood Services</p> <p>Neighbourhood Services</p> <p>Neighbourhood Services</p> <p>Community Protection</p> <p>Community Protection</p> <p>Community Protection</p>
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<p><b>FAMILIES</b></p>	<p><b>0-5 Service Delivery Area Priorities:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improve promotion of services to include social media</li> <li>• Increase number of families registered with children’s centre and regularly attending sessions</li> <li>• To develop “community champions” from partner organisations to promote FCT activities to a wider audience</li> <li>• Develop our “family learning” trips and events</li> </ul> <p><b>5 -19 Service Delivery Area Priorities (play and youth activities)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improve promotion of services to include social media</li> <li>• To increase number of children and young people accessing services</li> <li>• Further improve quality of provision in line with Play and Youth Quality Assurance document</li> </ul>	<p>Team now trained and access available for updates to be Twittered and Face booked</p> <p>Business support posts have now been recruited to which will provide more accurate data. ‘Increasing Reach’ action plan devised and in progress.</p> <p>Parent forum used to consult families and identify needs for the future. This tool of empowerment will create community Champions.</p> <p>Commit to minimum delivery</p> <p>Team now trained and access available for updates to be Twittered and Face booked</p> <p>Business support posts have now been recruited to which will enable recording systems to be more accurately recorded. Reach action plan devised and in progress.</p> <p>Enhance planning cycles to ensure C&amp;YP are fully involved in planning processes</p>	<p>New families will access services– too early to measure impact</p> <p>Reach expected to increase in May 2014</p> <p>Two parent forums held - community champion role to be discussed at the next meeting</p> <p>4 local trips have taken place, Family Fun day planned with the local Library. Parenting course, Anger management delivered</p> <p>New C&amp;YPP will access services providing diversionary universal service– too early to measure impact</p> <p>Reach expected to increase in May 2014</p> <p>Increase ownership of learning and experiences.</p>	<p>Children &amp; Families Team</p>
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**HEALTH**

Set up cook and eat sessions

Develop and circulate the health improvement service booklet/newsletter

Raise awareness of the signs and symptoms of cancer (Bowel, Breast, Lung and Prostate) through delivering the Change Maker theatre performance and through work with community groups

Public Health commission CityCare to provide a Public Health Nutrition Service but do not have capacity to support this directly. The plans to develop a health improvement service booklet have been cancelled due to frequent changes in commissioned services at present. There were no performances in Feb-May in Bridge but these are still being undertaken across the city in priority areas as appropriate.

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**WORKING**

**Training**

- More training opportunities for young people and those over the age of 40

- New Consortium Partnership to be set up to look at employment and skills across area 8.
- To look and developing a local area employment and skills strategy by march 2015
- New Training opportunities to be delivered locally by F/E Collages and local training providers.
- Pre employment and skills academies to be delivered locally to meet the needs of

New Funding secured through the area 8 consortium grant. New Funding secured to support 18-24 year olds unemployed between 13-39 weeks (pre work programme to access Training provision New Funding secured through the Digital inclusion allocation for area 8

MPT

**Working in Partnership with**

Nottingham City Councils Employment and Skills Team

Futures

F/E Collages

	<p><b>Jobs</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• More job opportunities locally for young people and those over the age of 40</li> </ul>	<p>local employers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• More local computer access to be made available for local people.</li> <li>• Support for local people with Travel costs to be able to attend training.</li> <li>• More local people being able to access 1-1 face to face Advice and Guidance</li> <li>• More Volunteering placements and work experience placements to be created locally.</li> <li>• Co-ordinate local Training open day</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• More Jobs being created through the City Councils section 106.</li> <li>• More jobs being created locally through the Nottingham Jobs Fund</li> <li>• More apprenticeships are being created through the employment and skills apprentice Hub based Within City Council.</li> <li>• Local Jobs Fairs delivered locally</li> <li>• Support people gaining employment with Travel Costs to access employment</li> </ul>	<p>Additional computer access and 2 additional work club sessions based locally. Funding secured from Sustrans to provide free Travel passes or a push bike and accessories to people accessing learning opportunities. Secured continuation contract to deliver 1-1 face to face IAG Services until March 2017.</p> <p>New Funding secured through the area 8 consortium grant. New Funding secured to support 18-24 year olds unemployed between 13-39 weeks (pre work programme to access Training provision New Funding secured through the Digital inclusion allocation for area 8 Local Jobs and</p>	<p>DWP</p> <p>Nottingham City Councils Neighbourhood development officers</p> <p>Nottingham city Councils Children's services</p> <p>Nottingham City Councils Young Persons Panel</p> <p>Area 8 Consortium Partners</p> <p>Sustrans Travel support scheme</p> <p>MPT</p> <p><b>Working in Partnership with</b></p> <p>Nottingham City Councils Employment and Skills Team</p> <p>Futures</p> <p>F/E Collages</p> <p>DWP</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support for people wanting to start up their own business</li> <li>• Local jobs for existing self-employed people</li> </ul>	<p>opportunity for up to 1 month.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Link local people with Food Banks when in crisis</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify local business opportunities.</li> <li>• Identify local micro businesses that may be looking to grow</li> <li>• Identity support organisations to support self employment opportunities.</li> <li>• Create a data base of self employed skills within the community</li> <li>• Match local jobs created with local self employed businesses</li> <li>• Co- ordinate local Jobs fairs linking local jobs to local people including promoting self employment opportunities</li> </ul>	<p>Training Fair took place at Queens Walk Community Centre on <b>20<sup>th</sup> March 2014</b> with <b>55</b> local people attending</p> <p>Additional computer access and 2 additional work club sessions based locally. Funding secured from Sustrans to provide free Travel passes or a push bike and accessories to people accessing learning opportunities. Secured continuation contract to deliver 1-1 face to face IAG Services until March 2017.</p>	<p>Nottingham City Councils Neighbourhood development officers</p> <p>Nottingham city Councils Children's services</p> <p>Nottingham City Councils Young Persons Panel</p> <p>Area 8 Consortium 3<sup>rd</sup> sector Partners</p> <p>Sustrans Travel support scheme</p>
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# Community Engagement

## Events Delivered

Event	Lead Partners	Date/Time	Venue
Phase 2 Budget Consultation	NCC	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> January 2014 – 6.00pm – 7.30pm	Meadows Library
Homework Help session	NCC (Meadows Library)	Every Monday and Friday -3.30pm – 5.30pm	Meadows Library
Conversation Class	NCC (Meadows Library)	Every Tuesday 11.00am – 12.45pm	Meadows Library
Totstime	NCC (Meadows Library)	Every Wednesday – 2.15pm – 2.45pm and Fridays 11.10am – 11.40am	Meadows Library
Craft Club	NCC (Meadows Library)	Every Saturday – 1.00pm – 3.00pm	Meadows Library
Reading Group	NCC (Meadows Library)	1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month – 6.00pm – 7.00pm	Meadows Library
Urdu Reading Group	NCC (Meadows Library)	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month – 10.30am – 12.30pm	Meadows Library
Councillors Surgeries	NCC	1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month – 4.00pm – 5.45pm and 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday of each month – 10.30am – 12.00	Meadows Library

## Future Events and Activities Planned

Event	Lead Partners	Date/Time	Venue
Launch of Meadows of Bloom 2014	Arkwright Meadows Community Gardens	9 April, 6-8pm	Arkwright Meadows Community Gardens
10 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event	Arkwright Meadows Community Gardens	10 May - 12 – 3pm	Arkwright Meadows Community Gardens
Volunteers running new Saturday morning activity sessions	Arkwright Meadows Community Gardens	18 May - 21 June - 10 – 12 midday	Arkwright Meadows Community Gardens
Summer Picnic event	Arkwright Meadows Community Gardens	26 July - 12 – 2pm	Arkwright Meadows Community Gardens
Harvest	Arkwright Meadows Community Gardens	13 September - 12 – 3pm	Arkwright Meadows Community Gardens
Week of Action	NCC	15 <sup>th</sup> – 19 <sup>th</sup> September 2014	Across Meadows

# Community Engagement

## Ward Walks

Area/Estate	Date/Time	Meeting Point
New Meadows – Soudan, Colliery, Osman, Bosworth, Ainsworth	Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> February, 2013 – 11.00am	Corner of Soudan and Robin Hood Way
Meadows – Lamcote Street, Radcliff, Muskham, Bunbury, WCE	Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> March, 2013 – 11.00am	Portland Leisure Centre
Old Meadows – Glapton, Bathley, WCW, Holgate, Woolmer, Beauvale etc	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> June 2014 – 11.00am	Corner of Glapton Road and Bathley Street
New Meadows – Osier, Oxbow, Sandays, Soudan, Thrumpton, Lybster etc	Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> July 2014 – 11.00am	Queens Walk Community Centre car park
New Meadows – Cromarty, Hope, Middle Furlong, Tarbert, Bosworth etc	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> September 2014 – 11.00am	Meadows Police Station
Meadows – Lammas, Uppingham, Eugene, St Saviours etc	Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> November 2014 – 11.00am	One Stop Shop

## Community Meetings

Group	Date	Venue
Area Committee Meeting	Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2014 – 7.00pm	Loxley House
Joint TRA's Meeting	Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> May 2014 – 10.30am	Meadows Children's Centre
OMTRA	Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> February 2014 – 7.00pm Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May 2014 – 7.00pm Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> August 2014 – 7.00pm	Meadows Library
Friends of Meadows Library	Last Tuesday in the month – 6.45pm – 8.00pm	Meadows Library
NMTRA	Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> April 2014 – 6.30pm – 8.00pm Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> May 2014 – 6.30pm – 8.00pm Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> June 2014 – 6.30pm – 8.00pm Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July 2014 – 6.30pm – 8.00pm Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> August 2014 – 6.30pm – 8.00pm Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> September 2014 – 6.30pm – 8.00pm Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> October 2014 – 6.30pm – 8.00pm	Lothmore Court and Queens Walk Park Pavilion



	Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> November 2014 – 6.30pm – 8.00pm	
Queens Walk Community Association Meetings	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> January 2014 – 7.30pm Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2014 – 7.30pm Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2014 – 7.30pm Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> April 2014 – 7.30pm Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> May 2014 – 7.30pm Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2014 – 7.30pm Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> July 2014 – 7.30pm Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> August 2014 – 7.30pm Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September 2014 – 7.30pm (AGM)	All meetings take place at Queens Walk Community Centre

# Finance

- **Ward Councillor Budgets** (as at 14/04/2014)

Budget carried forward -	£ 2,493 (inc. of 2012-2013 allocation):
Ward Councillors allocation for 2013/14 -	£10,000
Total amount allocated this period -	£ 4,000 (Feb 2014 – May 2014)
Total amount allocated as of 14/04/2014	£12,203
Total unallocated at 14/04/2014	£ 290 (inc. carryover from 2012-2013)
Ward Councillors allocation for 2014/15 -	£10,000
Remaining available balance as of 30/04/14	£10,290 (inc. carryover from 2013- 2014)

- **Area Capital Fund**

Total amount allocated 2013/2014 – £147,490

- Area Capital Fund – Local Transport Plan (LTP) allocation for 2013 – 2015 - £120,000
- Area Capital Fund – Public Realm element - allocation for 2013/2014 - £ 36,000
- Total ACF allocation for 2013/2015 £156,000
- Total amount allocated 2013/2014 – £147,490
- Total amount unallocated - £ 8,510
- Area Capital Fund – Public Realm element - allocation for 2014/2015 £ 36,000
- Remaining available balance £ 44,510

- **Others – Section 106, NCH Environmentals, Other Funding**