

NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

ARBORETUM, DUNKIRK AND LENTON, RADFORD AND PARK AREA COMMITTEE

MINUTES of the meeting held at Ground Floor Committee Room - Loxley House, Station Street, Nottingham, NG2 3NG on 19 December 2018 from 5.30 pm - 7.45 pm

Membership

Present

Councillor Liaqat Ali
Councillor Merlita Bryan
Councillor Anne Peach
Councillor Sarah Piper
Councillor Dave Trimble

Absent

Councillor Ilyas Aziz
Councillor Azad Choudhry

Colleagues, partners and others in attendance:

Rebecca Beinart	- Primary
Ellen Cooper-Tydemann	- Energy Policy Officer
James Dymond	- Parks Development Manager
Moby Farrands	- SUMAC Centre
Maya Fletcher	- Nottingham Action Group
Paul Howard	- Tenancy and Estate Manager, Nottingham City Homes
Kate Loewenthal	- Lenton Drives Neighbours Resident Association
Kate Morris	- Governance Officer
Gursharan Nijran	- Neighbourhood Development Officer
Bev Pearson	- Radford Care Group
June Perry	- Friends of the Forest
Lylse-Anne Renwick	- Neighbourhood Development Officer
Paul Seddon	- Director of Planning and Regeneration
Linda Wright	- Neighbourhood Development Officer

28 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

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29 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

None

30 MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting held on 19 September 2018 were confirmed as a true record and were signed by the Chair.

31 POLICE AND COMMUNITY PROTECTION UPDATE

Kaitlin Kiss and Tom Synk, Community Protection Officers, gave a verbal update to the committee on work taking place within the wards. They highlighted the following points:

- (a) In Dunkirk and Lenton there were 420 Community Protection Notice Warnings issues for noise, this resulted in 22 breached and 8 fines. There were 320 alcohol confiscations;
- (b) In Radford and Park there were 320 incidents of fly-tipping dealt with, and 3 fines issued;
- (c) In Arboretum 100 CPNW were issued for noise and three fines issued, 121 incidents of fly-tipping were investigated resulting in three fines and over 50 alcohol confiscations occurred;

Following questions and comments from the committee the following further information was given:

- (d) CPNW are issued to individuals rather than households;
- (e) Posters about Community Protection Notices and considerate behaviour should be in place for the start of term, and will be in place for the end of May when exams start;

RESOLVED to note the verbal update on Community Protection work within the Area.

32 ISSUES AND GOOD NEWS STORIES

Community Representatives took the opportunity to update the committee.

Rebecca Beinart from Primary Arts Centre advised that a site for the wall art has been established at the Savoy Cinema. She thanked Councillors and members of the public for their support to achieve this.

Moby Farrande from Nottingham Green Festival informed the committee that the date for the 2019 festival had been set for 15 September 2019. They were also planning a seedling and plant swap/sell as a more local event to encourage "grow your own". This will take place on 2 June 2019.

June Perry from Friends of the Forest recommended the Dawn Chorus walk, Sunday 5 May 2019 with a start time of 4.30am

Beverley Pearson from Radford Care Group asked that her thanks be recorded to Councillors who had helped to address the Parking issues on Prospect Street.

A number of Community reps raised concerns around the sale of the former play centre building on Tenyson street. This will be looked at and reported back to those concerned.

RESOLVED to note the updates from community representatives.

33 NOTTINGHAMSHIRE WORLD WAR 1 CENTENARY MEMORIAL PROJECT

James Dymond, Parks Development Manager, presented the report raising awareness of the Nottinghamshire WW1 Roll of Honour Centenary Memorial Project, part of Nottingham City Councils WW1 centenary commemorations programme. The following points were highlighted:

- (a) There are a number of memorials across Nottingham and Nottinghamshire, this memorial aims to be a definitive list of all those people from Nottingham and Nottinghamshire, both service personnel and civilians who lost their lives in WW1;
- (b) The design was chosen following an international design competition and construction is due to be completed on 1st May 2019. There will be a formal dedication during Armed Forces week;
- (c) The bulk of the funds have now been raised from councils and local business. The last £30,000 is being raised through direct fundraising. Details of how to get involved are below:
<https://www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/events-markets-parks-and-museums/parks-and-open-spaces/nottinghamshire-wwi-roll-of-honour-war-memorial/>
- (d) It is also the last opportunity for people to ensure that their relatives are listed and that their names are correct. This can also be done via the link above;

Following discussion and questions the following points were made:

- (e) The central column will hold a fitting inscription;
- (f) Councillors suggested a donation from the ward budgets towards the outstanding funds totalling £1,000 per ward.

RESOLVED to:

- (1) Note the content of the report on the WW1 Roll of Honour Centenary Memorial Project and thank Eddie Curry for his attendance**
- (2) To help to support the promotion of the project within the local community; and**
- (3) Contribute £1,000 per ward from Arboretum, Dunkirk and Lenton, and Radford and Park Ward Councillor Budgets;**

34 NOTTINGHAM CITY HOMES UPDATE

Paul Howard, Area Housing Manager Nottingham City Homes, introduced the report providing updates on key issues and themes linking back to local priorities and strategic themes for Nottingham City Homes. He highlighted the following points:

- (a) Work on Woodlands continues, the sprinkler system is now almost complete and video door entry installation has begun in Ash View and a new main entrance door and frame is on order;
- (b) The Street and Block champion programme is running very successfully but more volunteers are always welcome to extend the programme further.

Paul also distributed an amended appendix 3 requesting approvals to spend at Vincent Gardens (Arboretum Ward) and Graham Street (Radford and Park)

RESOLVED to:

- (1) Note the update and performance information in appendices 1 and 2 of the report published with the agenda;**
- (2) Note the allocation of funds detailed below and as circulated at the meeting in amended appendix 3:**
 - **Arboretum £0**
 - **Dunkirk and Lenton £30,868.92**
 - **Radford and Park £0**
- (3) To approve the schemes detailed below and as circulated at the meeting in amended appendix 3:**
 - **Vincent Gardens, Public realm improvements to central core: £28,904.99**
 - **Graham Street, New rails and intermediary fencing to NCH properties: £58,932.35**

35 FUEL POVERTY IN AREA 4

Jonathan Ward, Principal Energy Policy Officer, and Ellen Cooper-Tydeman, Energy Policy Officer gave a presentation informing and updating the committee on work being done around Fuel Poverty in Arboretum, Dunkirk and Lenton, and Radford and Park area. They highlighted the following points:

- (a) Dunkirk and Lenton has the highest rate of fuel poverty in the city at 24.1%, Arboretum and Radford and Park have similar fuel poverty rates of 16%.
- (b) In the area there are a high number of older properties with solid wall construction which are more likely to not be adequately insulated, and harder to address, resulting in higher levels of fuel poverty;
- (c) Nottingham City Council has recently launched the Fuel Poverty Strategy 2018-2025 with a whole-house and person focused approach with three major strands:
 - Maximising Household Income
 - Reducing energy bills
 - Improving Energy Efficiency
- (d) There is a range of government and energy company assistance to help with the cost of energy, including the Winter Fuel payment, Cold Weather payment

and Warm Homes discount all of which have different eligibility criteria which help to maximise income;

- (e) Reducing energy bills focuses on switching suppliers, changes to behaviour and use of renewables. The Nottingham Energy Partnership offers advice and help with energy switching;
- (f) Nottingham City Council and Nottingham City Homes are continually looking at ways to improve energy efficiency. The Greener HousiNG programme includes insulation and the ambition to roll out of the deep retrofit model across both social housing and private housing in the city;
- (g) Some properties that fall within conservation areas may not be able to have external cladding applied;
- (h) In the most recently launched phase of the Energy Company Obligations (ECO) scheme 25% of funding is allocated to allow Local Authorities to help improve the energy efficiency at a local level. Nottingham City Council is working with partners to find ways to deliver best value to residents for retrofit;
- (i) The Safer Housing Team aims to enforce the minimum Energy Efficiency Standards legislation and the Housing Act 2004 including selective licensing;

Following discussion and questions the following points were made:

- (j) Unfortunately NCC are not able to help groups of owner occupiers apply for funding for the external wall insulation at present;
- (k) Retrofit external wall insulation can help to significantly reduce fuel bills.

RESOLVED to:

- (1) Support the enactment of the new Fuel Poverty Strategy, along with the winter fuel poverty messaging in Area 4;**
- (2) Share the leaflet as published in appendix 3 created by DEEF to signpost citizens to a range of services where to seek tailored support;**
- (3) Encourage citizens to access different funding streams available to them. i.e Energy Company Obligation
www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/housing/greener-housing/**
- (4) Help citizens reduce their energy bills by promoting switching and simple changes in behaviour**
- (5) Promote the government website www.simpleenergyadvice.org.uk which offers personalised online advice on all three strands identified to help tackle fuel poverty.**

Paul Seddon, Director of Planning and Regeneration gave a verbal report on Student housing within the Area. He highlighted the following points:

- (a) There has been a steady increase in student numbers over recent years and there has recently been an announcement that the University of Law is planning a department in Nottingham which will bring a further 1000 students within 3 years. This department is aimed at post graduates rather than undergraduates;
- (b) There are a raft of planning policies designed to reducing the number of houses of multiple occupancy (HMO's) within the area and the planning committee seeks to resist HMO applications where possible to reduce the impact on citizens.
- (c) There are a number of student accommodation developments currently going through various stages of the planning process designed to help create a better community makeup;
- (d) This preference for purpose built student accommodation helps to reduce the need for HMO's which in turn frees up family sized houses for Nottingham citizens;

Following questions and comments from the committee the following information was highlighted:

- (e) At present developers have focused on the higher end of purpose built accommodation. There are discussion taking place with current developments looking at providing purpose built accommodation for the lower end budgets;
- (f) Discussion is taking place with the Universities around accommodation needs and the need for the universities to take accommodation into consideration more;
- (g) The purpose built accommodation does not include parking and tenancies are quite often have conditions around car parking and it would be possible to end tenancies
- (h) When purpose built student accommodation is considered at planning meetings careful consideration is given to building balanced communities and permission to convert a property to HMO is rarely given and not given lightly;

RESOLVED to thank Paul Seddon for his attendance and to note the content of his update.

37 S106 FUNDED WORKS TO IMPROVE SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT ACCESS TO NOTTINGHAM SCIENCE PARK AND THE ENTERPRISE ZONE

Councillor Sarah Piper introduced the report seeking endorsement for the use of S106 monies from planning application 06/00910/POUT towards sustainable transport infrastructure improvements including:

- Enhanced cycle and pedestrian priority in George Green Way and Jesse Boot Avenue

- Enhanced cycle and pedestrian crossing facilities (informal with no additional traffic signals and no negative impact on traffic flow)
- A new pedestrian path between the Science Park and the University Boulevard tram stop, formalising desire lines across a grassed area.
- Relevant direction signing

RESOLVED to endorse the use of S106 monies identified above for the provision of sustainable transport infrastructure as shown above.

38 AREA 4 WARD REPORTS

Lylse-Anne Renwick, Neighbourhood Development Officer introduced the report focussing on current priorities and issues being addressed by each Neighbourhood action team.

RESOLVED to note the progress on Ward priorities, and against the existing Council Plan.

39 AREA 4 COMMITTEE AREA CAPITAL FUNDING REPORT

Lylse-Ann Rewick, Neighbourhood Development Officer introduced the report providing councillors with the latest spends proposals under the Area Capital Fund. An updated appendix was circulated at the meeting detailing an additional scheme in Coleby Avenue.

RESOLVED to:

- (1) Approve the Area Capital Fund programme of schemes as detailed below:**

Arboretum

Location	Cost	Summary
Randal Street	£4,166	Planning and resurfacing of carriageway – LTP
Southey Street Area	£4,000	Additional funding for junction protection scheme – LTP
Addison Street	£1,050	Tree works – PRS
Hyson Green place sign	£5,000	Installation of sign - PRS

Dunkirk and Lenton

Location	Cost	Summary
Church Street 2)	£4,000	Restoration of brickwork around closed subway - LTP
Church Street 1)	£8,000	Installation of handrail adjacent to closed subway - LTP
Coleby Avenue	£12,500	Installation of double yellow lines on non residential side of road – LTP

Radford and Park

Johnson Road	£20,000	Residents park scheme on Johnson
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area		Road, Elmsthorpe Avenue and Dunlop Road - LTP
Radford place sign	£10,000	Installation of decorative signs - PRS

- (2) To note the commitment of funds in arboretum, Dunkirk and Lenton, and Radford and Park wards as detailed in appendix 1 published with the agenda.

40 AREA 4 COMMITTEE WARD COUNCILLOR BUDGET REPORT

The committee noted the actions agreed by the Director of Community Protection in respect of projects and schemes as detailed in the published report without substantive discussion.