



NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL
WEST AREA COMMITTEE

Date: Wednesday, 15 February 2017

Time: 5.30 pm

Place: LB 31-32 - Loxley House, Station Street, Nottingham, NG2 3NG

Councillors are requested to attend the above meeting to transact the following business

Corporate Director for Strategy and Resources

Governance Officer: Laura Wilson, Senior Governance Officer **Direct Dial:** 01158764301

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NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

WEST AREA COMMITTEE

MINUTES of the meeting held at LB 31-32 - Loxley House, Station Street, Nottingham, NG2 3NG on 16 November 2016 from 17.32 - 18.49

Membership

Present

Councillor Carole McCulloch (Chair)
Councillor Marcia Watson (Vice Chair)
Councillor Graham Chapman
Councillor Patience Uloma Ifediora
Councillor Glyn Jenkins
Councillor Wendy Smith

Absent

Councillor Mohammed Saghir
Councillor Malcolm Wood

Colleagues, partners and others in attendance:

Nigel Brice - New Whitemoor Tenants and Residents
Rob Caswell - Programme Manager
Julianne Christou - Neighbourhood Development Officer
Colin Eley - National Governing Body and Partnership Development Officer
Susan J Foster - Senior Project Manager
Rob Gabbitas - Neighbourhood Development Officer
Mervin Goring - Nottingham Focus on Wellbeing
Nicky Jarvis - Nottingham City Homes
Kristian Murden - Tenancy and Estates Manager
Jeni Smith - Aspley Partnership
Maria Summers - Community Protection Senior Officer
Zena West - Governance Officer
Christine Willetts - Nottingham Tartanaires / Aspley Partnership

23 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Malcolm Wood – unwell

Gill Bainbridge
Sergeant Gary Bulmer
Inspector Gordon Fenwick
Liam Searle
Joanne Smith

24 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

25 MINUTES

Subject to editing a sentence in minute 16 from “During discussion, Mr Mervin Goring from the Nottingham Focus on Wellbeing group thanked the Groundwork representatives for helping the group continue to operate” to instead read “During discussion, Mr Mervin Goring from the Nottingham Focus on Wellbeing group

thanked the Groundwork representatives for exploring joint working”, the minutes were approved as a correct record and will be signed by the Chair.

26 FEEDBACK FROM COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES EVENT (LOCAL DEMOCRACY WEEK) 15TH OCTOBER

Christine Willetts, Community Representative, provided feedback on a recent Community Representatives event, held as part of Local Democracy Week, highlighting the following points:

- (a) The event was overall very useful and helpful, and the Neighbourhood Development Officers did a very good job of organising it;
- (b) many Community Representatives felt that local meeting places might be more accessible than coming into the City Centre to meet at Loxley House;
- (c) it was very nice to meet other councillors from other areas as well and to see what is done differently across different area committees;
- (d) one negative about the event is that councillors kept leaving the table to have discussions with each other, and Community Representatives have to go after them to ask them questions;
- (e) there was good feedback as to how information gets out to the community. Whilst some of the sessions weren't long enough, it was an excellent opportunity for networking;
- (f) the event helped Community Representatives to feel like they belong, and to learn more about their role;
- (g) it would be excellent to schedule it as an annual event.

Councillors and Neighbourhood Development Officers provided response to some of the feedback:

- (h) in the past an attempt has been made to hold Area Committee meetings out in local areas, with varying levels of success. It is often easier for people to travel from many areas to a central location such as Loxley House, rather than travelling from one side of an area to the other, which if travelling by public transport may involve coming into the City Centre anyway, then travelling out again. There is also often a lack of appropriate venues out in the local areas, but the new Strelley Service Centre may be a good venue when it is up and running;
- (i) the Neighbourhood Development Officers also felt the event was very useful, and are already looking into scheduling it as an annual event as part of Local Democracy Week each year. It was an excellent learning opportunity for everyone involved, no matter their role;
- (j) for information, invitations were extended to Chairs, Vice-Chairs, and Community Representatives of all Area Committees.

RESOLVED to thank Christine Willetts for providing feedback from the event, and to take comments and suggestions on board.

27 PROJECTS APPROVED UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY

Julianne Christou, Neighbourhood Development Officer, presented a report detailing decisions taken under delegated authority to the committee. Delegated authority budget is spent by organisations applying to Councillors or Neighbourhood Development Officers and going through an approval process to check that the group is properly constituted. Help and support is available to new groups. A “Funders Fair” was held recently, where several organisations came along to find out more about the process.

RESOLVED to note the spending approvals from the Ward Councillor budgets, approved by the Director of Neighbourhood Services, as detailed below:

1) Aspley Ward (Councillors Graham Chapman, Patience Uloma Ifediora, and Carole McCulloch)

Project/Group	Amount	Status
Ambleside Summer Carnival	£250.00	Complete
Young at Heart	£1,000.00	Complete
Melbourne Road fencing	£1,999.00	Complete
Melbourne Road – Central Reservation	£674.00	Complete
Residential Music trip	£210.00	Complete
Welfare Rights Service	£5,700.00	Complete
Woodfield Park Launch event	£200.00	Complete
Aspley Partnership day trip	£1,250.00	Complete
Tick Tock summer carnival	£3,000.00	Complete
Broxtowe Park Fun Day	£2,000.00	Complete
Bells Lane Surprise Play Project	£500.00	Complete
Santa’s Grotto – Aspley Library	£50.00	Committed
Lighting Up Aspley – Tree	£1,500.00	Committed

Total: £17,347.00

Remaining balance brought forward 2015/16	£13,732.00
Councillor budget allocated 2016/17	£15,000.00
Total available	£28,732.00
Allocated funds	£17,347.00
Remaining Balance 2016/17	£11,385.00

2) Bilborough Ward (Councillors Wendy Smith, Marcia Watson, and Malcolm Wood)

Project/Group	Amount	Status
Residential Music Camp	£660.00	Complete
Make IT Fun Day	£1,000.00	Complete
Strelley Village Green Fun Day	£493.00	Complete
Hoylake Queens Party in the Park	£5,000.00	Complete
YMCA Referral Service	£2080.00	Complete
Tick Tock Summer Carnival	£3,000.00	Complete
What Really Matters Workshop	£150.00	Complete
Bilborough Library Garden Project	£2,100.00	Complete
DADTRA 10 th Anniversary Event	£500.00	Complete
Older Person's Event	£500.00	Committed
113 th Scouts Refurbishment	£700.00	Committed
Christmas Festival	£4,000.00	Committed

TOTAL: £20,183.00

Remaining balance brought forward 2015/16	£62,214.80
Councillor budget allocated 2016/17	£15,000.00
Total available	£77,214.80
Allocated Funds	£20,183.00
Remaining Balance 2016/17	£61,031.80

3) Leen Valley Ward (Councillors Coral Glyn Jenkins and Mohammed Saghir)

Project	Amount	Status
Mobile CCTV units	£8,220.00	Complete
Bangladesh Welfare Association	£2,000.00	Complete
Play and Youth equipment – New Whitemoor	£1,500.00	Complete
Southwold Primary Food Fest	£500.00	Complete
Kennington Road Play Park Equipment	£12,000.00	Committed
Lighting up Aspley - Tree	£1,000.00	Committed
Festive Column lights – Aspley Lane	£1,500.00	Committed
Beechdale Community Centre Market Trip	£180.00	Committed

TOTAL: £26,900

Remaining balance brought forward 2015/16	£36,727.00
Councillor Budget Allocation 2016/17	£10,000.00
Total available	£46,727.00
Allocated Funds – 2016/17 (to date)	£26,900.00
Remaining Balance	£19,827.00

28 AREA CAPITAL FUND

Rob Gabbitas, Neighbourhood Development Officer, presented a report on the Area Capital Fund.

Councillors queried the inclusion of the Tiverton Close road safety project, as they believed this was included as part of the Bells Lane scheme, so there should be no recharge. It was agreed that this scheme would not be approved, pending a discussion between Rob Gabbitas and Susan Thorpe to ascertain the funding situation.

RESOLVED to:**1) note the Area Capital funds still available in each ward:**

Aspley - £24,150.00;
Bilborough – £2,862.00;
Leen Valley – £0.00;

2) approve the following Area capital schemes:

Scheme type	Location / details	Estimated cost
Aspley LTP Schemes	Deepdene Way – reconstruction of footpath (LTP contribution)	£77,776.00
	Broctowe Lane / Sherbourne Road – Installation of signs to highlight crossing point	£450.00
Aspley Public Realm Scheme	Deepdene Way – reconstruction of footpath (Public Realm contribution)	£19,927.00
Bilborough Public Realm Schemes	Birchover Road – Provision of 20mp roundels and repeaters	£1,500.00
	Harvey Hadden – Third party contributions to WREN bid for Harvey Hadden works	£25,000.00
Leen Valley LTP Schemes	Trentham Gardens – resurfacing of footpath (LTP contribution)	£34,224.00
	Ashwell gardens area – Provision of residents' parking scheme	£12,000.00
	Wilkinson Street – contribution to traffic flow improvement scheme (joint with Basford and Berridge wards)	£1,000.00
Leen Valley Public Realm Schemes	Trentham Gardens – resurfacing of footpath (Public Realm contribution)	£12,872.00
	Homefield Road area – initial contribution to residential parking scheme	£19,648.00
	Lodge Close – Additional contribution to add Lodge Close to the Lambert gardens scheme	£700.00

- 3) defer approval of the Tiverton Close road safety scheme (Aspley LTP Scheme - £2,500.00) pending further investigation by Rob Gabbitas.**

29 GET OUT, GET ACTIVE

Colin Eley, National Governing Body and Partnership Development Officer, presented an update on the “Get Out, Get Active” scheme to the committee, as per the handout which will be circulated with the minutes.

- (a) Aspley and Bilborough is one of only 18 areas selected in the UK and it is an exciting opportunity for local sports and community groups. Based on current demand, some sports have been suggested, but the scheme is very flexible and suggestions where funds can be spent are welcome;
- (b) although it has become a focal point for sport and activity, the scheme is not geographically limited to Harvey Hadden.

Colin provided further information following comments and questions from the Committee:

- (c) there is no cost to local citizens, the scheme offers free activities and is fully funded for 3 years;
- (d) Nottingham Insight was used to ascertain disability statistics for the area. Aspley and Bilborough have high levels of disability, which is why they were chosen and Leen Valley was not. However, people from any area, including non-city residents, can access the activities. The activities also have no participant age limits;
- (e) it is stipulated in the funding rules that physical transportation cannot be provided or funded. However, activities can be taken to more easily accessible venues, such as residential homes, if transport is a problem. It is a key challenge, as 40% of households in Nottingham City do not have access to a car.

RESOLVED to thank Colin Eley for his presentation, and note the contents.

30 POLICE - CURRENT PRIORITIES

Sergeant Gary Bulmer was unable to attend the meeting, so a written update was sent to the Committee, read out by Julianna Christou, Neighbourhood Development Officer:

- (a) CCTV has been placed on Melford Road as there are some problems in the area, the police are on top of it;
- (b) there has been some anti-social behaviour and intimidating behaviour around the pelican Pub on Bracebridge Drive, the police are on top of it

- (c) some young children and young people have been causing a problem for the ASDA store. Police are being called in, however as no crimes are being committed, the solution is in the management style of managers at the store;
- (d) several calls have been made to the Police regarding the behaviour of 2 families on Beckley Road on the Broxtowe Estate. Police working with Nottingham City Homes and Family Intervention Project to resolve these issues.

RESOLVED to note the information.

31 COMMUNITY PROTECTION - AREA CLUSTER FEEDBACK

Rob Gabbitas, Neighbourhood Development Officer, and Maria Summers, Community Protection Senior Officer, presented an update on feedback from an area cluster meeting on Community Protection, highlighting the following points:

- (a) the area cluster process has been ongoing for around 10 months, and is an opportunity for Councillors to get involved in strategic processes of the council. Jobs and Health have been tackled previously. Page 31 of the agenda pack onwards is the feedback from each area committee through their area cluster. The area cluster looked at how Community Protection worked within each area, and is a snapshot of Councillor and Neighbourhood Development Officer views on the current state of Community Protection in those wards;
- (b) the feedback for West Area is on page 32 of the agenda pack, and covers all 3 wards;
- (c) an updated structure of who is operating in the Ward will be circulated with the minutes. The document changes frequently, and at the moment there are 3 vacant positions, which it is hoped will be filled in 2017;
- (d) the ward priorities for Community Protection are dog fouling, fly tipping, messy gardens, noise issues, bins on streets in Leen Valley, and cycling on pavements in Leen Valley.
- (e) Councillors receive regular feedback on enforcement and successes: An email is sent to them every month with statistics, and it may soon move more towards a newsletter style so that Councillors can share the information on Facebook etc.

Following questions and comments from the Committee, Maria Summers provided further information:

- (f) it is quite difficult to catch and prosecute fly-tippers, unless letters or identifying information has been left behind, and there have been no recent prosecutions. It is still important to keep on top of to try and reduce;
- (g) graffiti is reported both by citizens and by Community Protection Officers. Community Protection Officers carry graffiti wipes with them, and so graffiti can often be tackled whilst they're out and about;

- (h) although shifts used to be provided, so that Community protection Officers could be contacted depending on who was on duty, there is too much change in shift patterns to continue with this practice;

The Committee wished to express their gratitude to Community Protection, and to note that the service received has always been of a high quality. Councillor Jenkins also requested that the Committee's thanks to the outgoing Community Protection Officer for the area, Morris Oliver, be recorded.

RESOLVED to thank Rob Gabbitas and Marie Summers for the update and note its contents.

32 STRELLEY JOINT SERVICE CENTRE

Sue Foster, Senior Project Manager, provided an update on the Strelley Joint Service Centre, highlighting the following points:

- (a) the Service Centre scheme now has Executive Board approval;
- (b) the scheme will consist of 31 independent living units on 1st and 2nd floor. A lengthy tender process has taken place to get the best price. A contractor was appointed in April 2016;
- (c) in a drive to reduce running costs, a number of design options were explored, including removing office accommodation on ground floor and adding an additional 5 flats and a communal room. Facilities for public such as the interview room will still be there, but the removal of the offices will reduce the business rates. This means there will be no housing offices there, just meeting rooms for surgeries;
- (d) facilities will include a separate tenant entrance at the front of the building, a library area, 2 meeting rooms, 2 interview rooms, a kitchenette for the meeting rooms, free Wi-Fi, IT and printing, toilets, baby change facilities, 15 parking spaces, a residents' communal garden, and a courtyard area. There are good transport links in the area;
- (e) the architects are redrawing the plans to include the additional ground floor flats at the moment, then the designs will be reviewed and finance colleagues will assess the new running costs. A further meeting will then take place with Portfolio Holders to compare these with the existing proposals and make a final decision.

Following questions and comments from the Committee, Sue provided some additional information on the scheme:

- (f) housing colleagues have been informed of the proposal not to move to the new service centre, but to instead potentially relocate to Harvey Road, with facilities for structured surgeries at the service centre on a rota basis;

- (g) the opening hours of the library service will affect the running costs, so the requirements will need to be analysed. The number of deprived children in the area is quite high, so opening hours will need to be geared towards children coming home from school, whereas the older citizens using the library can potentially be more flexible. The library service will have responsibility for the meeting and interview rooms;
- (h) furniture in the meeting rooms will be flexible, to allow for a variety of uses;
- (i) solar panels are being used in order to reduce energy costs;
- (j) it is difficult to estimate timescales at this stage, as further design options are now being explored. The designs may have to go back through planning to make sure all risks are mitigated. Once work has started on site, it will take approximately 18 months.

RESOLVED to thank Sue for the presentation and note the contents.

33 NCH REPORTS

Kristian Murden, Tenancy and Estates Manager, presented the Nottingham City Homes schemes for approval, as detailed in the report.

RESOLVED to:

- 1) **note the allocation of funds below;**

Ward	16/17 budget (including carry forward from 15/16)	Schemes approved / committed	Remaining 16/17 budget
Aspley	£115,841.95	£115,159.82	£682.13
Bilborough	£264,413.23	£0.00	£264,413.23
Leen Valley	£45,026.07	£7,332.20	£37,693.87

- 2) **approve the Area Capital programme funding requests below;**

Location	Request	Cost
Strelley Social Club	Additional funding to complete the internal renovation works at this community facility	£16,353.58
Ashwell Gardens	Request for funding to carry out resurfacing work, install fencing, and to install a safety barrier in the drying area	£19,689.00

- 3) **note the update and performance information as set out in appendices 1 and 2.**

34 WARD REPORTS

Rob Gabbitas, Neighbourhood Development Officer, presented the Ward Reports to the Committee, for Councillors and Citizens to note the contents. Following questions and comments, Councillors provided some additional information and comments:

- (a) Councillors will be happy to meet with Mervin Goring of Nottingham Focus on Wellbeing to discuss mental health referrals in the area. Some citizens are being offered hospital places as far away as London or Manchester, and the area has very high levels of mental health issues;
- (b) the external cladding of social housing in Bilborough has been very successful. As a result of scheme, some private homeowners and landlords are now also interested and some have had the cladding applied to their homes privately, improving the appearance of the area.

RESOLVED to thank the Neighbourhood Development Officers for providing the information in the Wards Reports, and to note their contents.

WEST AREA COMMITTEE – 15 FEBRUARY 2017

Title of paper:	DELEGATED AUTHORITY APPROVALS	
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Date of consultation with Portfolio Holder(s) (if relevant)	N/A	
Relevant Council Plan Key Theme:		
Strategic Regeneration and Development		X
Schools		X
Planning and Housing		X
Community Services		X
Energy, Sustainability and Customer		X
Jobs, Growth and Transport		X
Adults, Health and Community Sector		X
Children, Early Intervention and Early Years		X
Leisure and Culture		X
Resources and Neighbourhood Regeneration		X
Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/service users):		
This report notifies the Area Committee of the decisions approved by the Director of Neighbourhood Services under delegated authority during this financial year 2016/17 and shows the remaining sums available.		
Recommendation:		
1	To note the spending approvals from the Ward Councillor budgets, approved by the Director of Neighbourhood Services, as detailed in Appendix A.	

1 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.1 Records detailing Councillors spending decisions and consultation are shown in the attached Appendix. In accordance with the Constitution the Area Committee is required to note spending decisions taken by Ward Councillors.
- 1.2 City Councillors each received an allocation of £5,000 for 2016/2017.

2 BACKGROUND (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)

- 2.1 This action follows the arrangements established by the Executive Board to allow funding approvals through individual Councillors' budget allocations.

3 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 None.

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

- 4.1 Arrangements approved by Executive Board for spending the money are reported, for information, to area committee.

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

- 5.1 These arrangements provide transparency and regulation to the spending of individual Councillors allocation.
- 5.2 The funds allocated by Area Committee are used to address diverse needs from various sections of the community and reduce inequalities.

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 Equality Impact Assessment is not required as this is not a new or changing policy, service or function.

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 Executive Board – 20 May 2008 – Ward Member Budgets.

Aspley Ward**Councillors Delegated Authority approvals****March 2016 – February 2017**

Councillor Chapman
 Councillor Ifediora
 Councillor McCulloch

Project/Group	Amount	Status
Ambleside Summer Carnival	£250	Complete
Young at Heart	£1,000	Complete
Melbourne Road fencing	£1,999	Complete
Residential Music trip	£210	Complete
Welfare Rights Service	£5,700	Complete
Woodfield Park Launch event	£200	Complete
Aspley Partnership day trip	£1,250	Complete
Tick Tock summer carnival	£3,000	Complete
Broxtowe Park Fun Day	£2,000	Complete
Bells Lane Surprise Play Project	£500	Complete
Santa's Grotto – Aspley Library	£50	Committed
Lighting Up Aspley – Tree	£1,500	Committed
Welfare Rights Part 2	£1,500	Committed
BCC World Food Day	£500	Committed
Red Dance Christmas Performance	£100	Committed
St Martha's Foodbank	£135	Committed

Total: £19,894

Remaining balance brought forward 2015/16	£13,732
Councillor budget allocated 2016/17	£15,000
Total available	£28,732
Allocated funds	£19,894
Remaining Balance 2016/17	£ 8,838

Bilborough Ward

Councillors Delegated Authority approvals March 2016 –February 2017

Councillor Smith
Councillor Watson
Councillor Wood

Project/Group	Amount	Status
Residential Music Camp	£660	Complete
Make IT Fun Day	£1,000	Complete
Strelley Village Green Fun Day	£493	Complete
Hoylake Queens Party in the Park	£5,000	Complete
YMCA Referral Service	£2080	Complete
Tick Tock Summer Carnival	£3,000	Complete
What Really Matters Workshop	£150	Complete
Bilborough Library Garden Project	£2,100	Complete
DADTRA 10 th Anniversary Event	£500	Complete
Older Person's Event	£300	Committed
113 th Scouts Refurbishment	£700	Committed
Christmas Festival	£4,000	Committed
Beechdale Community Centre Market Trip	£180	Committed
St Martha's Foodbank	£90	Committed
Contribution to Parking Scheme (Freemount Drive)	£17,200	Committed

TOTAL: £37,453

Remaining balance brought forward 2015/16	£62,214.80
Councillor budget allocated 2016/17	£15,000
Total available	£77,214.80
Allocated Funds	£37,453.00
Remaining Balance 2016/17	£39,761.80

Leen Valley Ward

Councillors Delegated Authority approvals March 2016 – February 2017

Councillor Jenkins
Councillor Saghir

Project	Amount	Status
Mobile CCTV units	£8,220	Complete
Bangladesh Welfare Association	£2,000	Complete
Play and Youth equipment – New Whitemoor	£1,500	Complete
Southwold Primary Food Fest	£500	Complete
Kennington Road Play Park Equipment	£12,000	Committed
Lighting up Aspley – Christmas Event	£2,500	Committed
St Martha's Foodbank	£90	Committed
Beechdale Community Centre Market Trip	£180	Committed
Strelley Boxing Club equipment for girls	£400	Committed
Windmill Community Gardens	£1,527	Committed
Preparation for School Allotment Site	£410	Committed
Community Christmas Meal-Vine	£200	Committed
Southwold school coffee drop in / Hub	£150	Confirmed

TOTAL: £29,677

Remaining balance brought forward 2015/16	£36,727
Councillor Budget Allocation 2016/17	£10,000
Total available	£46,727
Allocated Funds – 2016/17 (to date)	£29,677
Remaining Balance	£17,050

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Title of paper:	AREA CAPITAL FUND	
Director(s) / Corporate Director(s):	Dave Halstead Director of Neighbourhood Services	Wards affected: Aspley, Bilborough, Leen Valley
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Date of consultation with Portfolio Holder(s) (if relevant)	N/A	
Relevant Council Plan Key Theme:		
Strategic Regeneration and Development		<input type="checkbox"/>
Schools		X
Planning and Housing		X
Community Services		X
Energy, Sustainability and Customer		<input type="checkbox"/>
Jobs, Growth and Transport		<input type="checkbox"/>
Adults, Health and Community Sector		<input type="checkbox"/>
Children, Early Intervention and Early Years		<input type="checkbox"/>
Leisure and Culture		X
Resources and Neighbourhood Regeneration		X
Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/service users):		
This report provides details of the latest spending proposals under the Area Capital Fund including highways and footpaths.		
Recommendation(s):		
1	To note the Area Capital funds available to Aspley, Bilborough and Leen Valley Wards as outlined in Appendix 1.	
2	To approve the new schemes identified within the appendix.	

1 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.1 The Nottingham Local Transport Plan (LTP) Strategy 2011-2026 maintains a commitment to deliver local transport improvements across Nottingham's Neighbourhoods and prioritises small scale transport improvements of importance to local communities.
- 1.2 As part of the budget process for 2016/17 Nottingham City Council approved a Citywide Local Transport Plan capital allocation of £1.25 million.
- 1.3 To give opportunity for the Area Committee to make comment on suggested schemes and their progress.

2 BACKGROUND (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)

- 2.1 The Area Capital Fund (ACF) Programme was established to improve the environment of the neighbourhoods and to create a sense of place for residents in order to improve the quality of life of local people. Since it was established in 2006 to meet the then corporate priority of 'Transforming Neighbourhoods', the Area Capital Fund has included a total programme expenditure portfolio of £40 million. The improvements that have been carried out to date using this programme have included: footpaths, fences, visual enhancements to public realm, refurbishment of parks and improvements to public buildings.
- 2.2 Resources are allocated from the Nottingham City Council General Fund, the Local Transport Plan and the Housing Revenue Account. To achieve a joint approach to environmental improvements in neighbourhoods, a greater degree of flexibility has been established to prioritise and deliver improvements so that there is a synergy in local solutions for local issues across neighbourhoods.
- 2.3 The programme of works is a rolling programme. There have been instances where schemes are started with strong community involvement and interest and altered at a later stage due to changing circumstances such as economic conditions and changes in land values.
- 2.4 The Area Committee and particularly community representatives are invited to comment specifically on those schemes identified in the proposals column and also to consider whether certain schemes can be linked to other programmes of work in order to generate best value and create a greater impact on the local area.
- 2.5 The Area Committee and particularly community representatives are invited to comment specifically on those schemes identified in the proposals column and also to consider whether certain schemes can be linked to other programmes of work in order to generate best value and create a greater impact on the local area.

3 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 None.

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

- 4.1 Bringing together the various strands which form part of the Area Capital Programme enables the City Council to respond efficiently in delivering on public realm improvements as identified by local people.

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

- 5.1 A risk register has been produced which is regularly monitored.

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.

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.

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Aspley Area Capital 2016 – 2017 Programme

Aspley LTP schemes

Location	Type	Councillor Prioritised / Area Committee Approved	Estimate	Estimated start date	Completed	Details
Deepdene Way	footpath	Approved November 2016	£77,776	05/12/2016	complete	Reconstruction of footpath on Deepdene Way (LTP contribution) - lead service: Highway Maintenance
Broxtowe Lane/Sherbourne Road	road safety	Approved November 2016	£450	in progress		Installation of signs to highlight crossing point - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Tiverton Close	road safety	Approved November 2016	£2,500	in progress		Junction protection on Tiverton Close, to be added to Walbrook Close scheme - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Melbourne Road	kerb protection	Approved September 2016	£674	-	complete	Measures to protect kerbs on the Melbourne Road central reservation - lead service: Streetscene
Walbrook Close	road safety	Approved September 2016	£6,500	in progress		Junction protection on Walbrook Close, including double and single yellow lines - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Denton Green	road safety	Approved September 2016	£1,600	in progress		Installation of pedestrian safety barrier and bollards outside nursery on Denton Green - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Seaton Crescent	road safety	Approved by Delegated Authority July 2016	£2,500	in progress		Installation of H-bars to improve traffic flow and road safety - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Snickett Scheme 4	vehicular access	Approved May 2016	£500	n/a	n/a	Reallocation of funds to Aspley Ward parking scheme
Cinderhill roundabout	feasibility study	Approved May 2016	£4,250	in progress		Study to assess measures to assist pedestrians / cyclists and vehicle movement at Cinderhill roundabout - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Aspley Ward crossings	dropped crossings	Approved May 2016	£1,500	in progress		Scoping exercise for the provision of dropped crossings across the ward - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Aspley Schools	road safety	Approved May 2016	£1,950	in progress		Assess existing street furniture and lining and replace / modify as required outside identified schools in the ward - lead service: Traffic & Safety

Total LTP schemes*

£100,200

Aspley Public Realm schemes

Location	Type	Councillor Prioritised / Area Committee Approved	Estimate	Estimated start date	Completed	Details
Deepdene Way	footpath	Approved November 2016	£19,927	05/12/2016	complete	Reconstruction of footpath on Deepdene Way (PR contribution) - lead service: Highway Maintenance
Lindfield Road Wall Phase 3	wall scheme	Approved May 2016	£18,523	in progress		Partnership scheme with NCH; further contribution to works on Lindfield Road Walls - lead service: NCH

£38,450

Total Public Realm schemes**

Aspley Withdrawn schemes

Location	Type	Reason	Amount	Details
<i>No decommitments to date</i>				

Total Decommited***			£0	
2016 - 2017 LTP allocation			£100,200	
LTP carried forward from 2015 - 2016			£0	
2016 - 2017 Public Realm allocation			£60,100	
Public Realm carried forward from 2015 - 2016			£0	
Total Available 2016 - 2017 ACF			£160,300	
<i>*Less LTP schemes</i>		-	<i>£100,200</i>	
<i>**Less Public Realm schemes</i>		-	<i>£38,450</i>	
<i>***Decommited funds</i>		+	<i>£0</i>	
Remaining available balance			£21,650	
LTP element remaining			£0	
Public Realm element remaining			£21,650	

Bilborough Area Capital 2016 – 2017 Programme

Bilborough LTP schemes

Location	Type	Councillor Prioritised / Area Committee Approved	Estimate	Estimated start date	Completed	Details
Burnside Road	footpaths	Approved September 2016	£24,752	24/10/2016	complete	Reconstruction of footpath on both sides of Burnside Road (LTP contribution) - lead service: Highway Maintenance
Fircroft Avenue	footpaths	Approved May 2016	£82,615	05/09/2016	complete	Reconstruction of footpath on both sides of Fircroft Avenue, with kerb replacement where necessary - lead service: Highway Maintenance
Bilborough Ward parking	parking	Approved May 2016	£10,000	in progress		Study into parking issues across the ward and proposed solutions - lead service Traffic & Safety

Total LTP schemes*

£117,367

Bilborough Public Realm schemes

Location	Type	Councillor Prioritised / Area Committee Approved	Estimate	Estimated start date	Completed	Details
Fremount Drive area	parking	Prioritised 26 January 2017	£15,000			Contribution to £32,200 parking permit scheme (residual £17.2k to come from Ward budget) - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Hanslope Crescent area	survey	Prioritised 26 January 2017	£2,862			Survey into parking options in the Hanslope Crescent area (scope to be finalised) - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Birchover Road	road safety	Approved November 2016	£1,500	in planning		Provision of 20mph roundels and repeaters on Birchover Road - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Harvey Hadden	contribution	Approve November 2016	£25,000	awaiting WREN funding		Third party contribution to WREN bid for Harvey Hadden works - lead service: Parks & Open Spaces
Burnside Road	footpaths	Approved September 2016	£48,467	24/10/2016	complete	Reconstruction of footpath on both sides of Burnside Road (PR contribution) - lead service: Highway Maintenance

Total Public Realm schemes**

£92,829

Bilborough Withdrawn schemes

Location	Type	Reason	Amount	Details
Previously decommitted schemes			£35,986	
Staverton Road 2	crossings	scheme discontinued	£10,000	Provision of four sets of pedestrian dropped crossings to improve mobility access on Staverton Road (Feb-15)
Bilborough Ward crossings	dropped crossings	scheme discontinued	£5,000	Further contribution to provision of four sets of pedestrian dropped crossings to improve mobility access at identified locations across the ward - lead service: Traffic & Safety (Mar-16)

Total Decommited***	£50,986
2016 – 2017 LTP allocation	£85,200
LTP carried forward from 2015 - 2016	£379
2016 – 2017 Public Realm allocation	£51,100
Public Realm carried forward from 2015 - 2016	£22,531
Total Available 2016 – 2017 ACF	£159,210
*Less LTP schemes	- £117,367
**Less Public Realm schemes	- £92,829
***Decommited funds	+ £50,986
Remaining available balance	£0
LTP element remaining	£0
Public Realm element remaining	£0

**Leen Valley Area Capital 2016 - 2017 Programme
Leen Valley LTP schemes**

Location	Type	Councillor Prioritised / Area Committee Approved	Estimate	Estimated start date	Completed	Details
Trentham Gardens	footpath	Approved November 2016	£34,224	28/11/2016	complete	Resurfacing of footpath on Trentham Gardens (odd numbers) (LTP contribution) - lead service: Highway Maintenance
Ashwell Gardens Area	parking	Approved November 2016	£12,000	in progress		Provision of resident's parking scheme subsequent to previous consultation - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Wilkinson Street	road safety	Approved November 2016	£1,000	tbc		Contribution to traffic flow improvement scheme at Wilkinson St/Radford Rd junction - joint with Basford & Berridge wards - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Robins Wood Road	dropped crossings	Approved September 2016	£2,126	in progress		Further contribution to previously agreed access scheme - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Old Nuthall Road	TRO	Approved by DA June 2016	£1,000	in progress		Amendments to experimental TRO in Old Nuthall Road area - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Southwold Drive	parking	Approved May 2016	£2,100	in progress		Design study for parking scheme on Southwold Drive - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Robins Wood Road	TRO	Approved May 2016	£2,000	-	complete	TRO for installation of H-bars - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Lambert Gardens	TRO	Approved May 2016	£7,250	in progress		Yellow lining scheme to be carried out at Lambert Gardens - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Leen Valley Ward Crossings	dropped crossings	Approved May 2016	£1,500	in progress		Scoping exercise for the provision of dropped crossings across the ward - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Medway Street	TRO	Approved May 2016	£5,000	in progress		Further contribution to TRO amendment to accommodate changes to parking bays and new signage - lead service: Traffic & Safety

Total LTP schemes*

£68,200

Leen Valley Public Realm schemes

Location	Type	Councillor Prioritised / Area Committee Approved	Estimate	Estimated start date	Completed	Details
Homefield Road area	parking	Approved November 2016	£19,648	tbc		Initial contribution to residential parking scheme on Haslemere, Homefield and Leacroft Roads (residual costs to be met from 2017/18 ACF) - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Lodge Close	TRO	Approved November 2016	£700	tbc		Additional contribution to add Lodge Close to Lambert Gardens scheme - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Trentham Gardens	footpath	Approved November 2016	£12,872	28/11/2016	complete	Resurfacing of footpath on Trentham Gardens (odd numbers) (PR contribution) - lead service: Highway Maintenance
Cherry Wood Drive 1	foothpaths	Approved May 2016	£19,970	22/08/2016	complete	Resurfacing of footpath on Cherry Wood Drive (even numbers) - lead service: Highway Maintenance

Total Public Realm schemes**

£53,190

Leen Valley Withdrawn schemes

Location	Type	Reason	Amount	Details
Previously decommitted schemes			£51,490	
Total Decommitted***			£51,490	
2016 - 2017 LTP allocation			£43,700	
LTP carried forward from 2015 - 2016			£0	
2016 - 2017 Public Realm allocation			£26,200	
Public Realm carried forward from 2015 - 2016			£0	
Total Available 2016 - 2017 ACF			£69,900	
*Less LTP schemes			- £68,200	
**Less Public Realm schemes			- £53,190	
***Decommitted funds			+ £51,490	
Remaining available balance			£0	
LTP element remaining			£0	
Public Realm element remaining			£0	

West Area Committee – 15 FEBRUARY 2017

Title of paper:	Oakford Close : stopping up highways	
Director(s)/ Corporate Director(s):	David Bishop Development and Growth	Wards affected: Aspley
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Date of consultation with Portfolio Holder(s) (if relevant)	N/A	
Relevant Council Plan Key Theme:		
Strategic Regeneration and Development		X
Schools		<input type="checkbox"/>
Planning and Housing		X
Community Services		<input type="checkbox"/>
Energy, Sustainability and Customer		<input type="checkbox"/>
Jobs, Growth and Transport		<input type="checkbox"/>
Adults, Health and Community Sector		<input type="checkbox"/>
Children, Early Intervention and Early Years		<input type="checkbox"/>
Leisure and Culture		<input type="checkbox"/>
Resources and Neighbourhood Regeneration		<input type="checkbox"/>
Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/service users):		
Extinguishment of highway rights over carriageway, footway and footpaths at Oakford Close to enable the development of new Council housing at this location to go ahead.		
Recommendation(s):		
1	To note the decision of the Head of Neighbourhood Management in Delegated Decision 2583 in exercise of her executive power on behalf of the Committee.	
2	To note the steps that have been taken since the above approval to implement the decision.	

1 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.1 The formal reporting to Area Committee of the exercise by the Head of Neighbourhood Management of Area Committee executive power is required under the Council's Constitution.

2 BACKGROUND (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)

- 2.1 On 30 August 2016 the Head of Neighbourhood Management authorised the Traffic Manager (Development and Growth) to apply for an order to stop up (permanently

close) highway at Oakford Close under Delegated Decision 2583. This decision was taken in exercise of Area Committee executive powers under delegation 82(b) as set out in DD 2583.

- 2.2 It is now possible to update the Committee on the outcome of the stopping up process. The proposed order was published by the Secretary of State, the public consultation began on 6/10/16 and ended on 2/11/16. No objections were received. The order was made on 16/11/16 and the High Court challenge period ended on 28/12/2016, no challenge having been submitted.
- 2.3 Construction work on the housing development began in October 2016 and is scheduled to finish in October 2017.

3 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 None, since reporting to Committee is required under the Constitution.

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

- 4.1 None, since this report is for noting only.

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

- 5.1 The reporting for information of the executive decision made by the Head of Neighbourhood Management in August 2016 contained in Executive Officer Decision ref 2583 to this meeting of Area Committee is in accordance with Delegation 82(b) of the Council's Constitution.
- 5.2 The procedure for the Secretary of State to publish and make a stopping up order under section 247 of the Town and Country Planning Act is governed by regulations. The effect of the made order is to extinguish those public highway rights which had existed in the locations at Oakford Close shown cross-hatched on the attached plan (appendix 1).

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

- 6.1 Not needed as this report does not contain proposals or financial decisions.

7 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 7.1 An EIA is not required because this is not a new or changing policy, service or function.

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

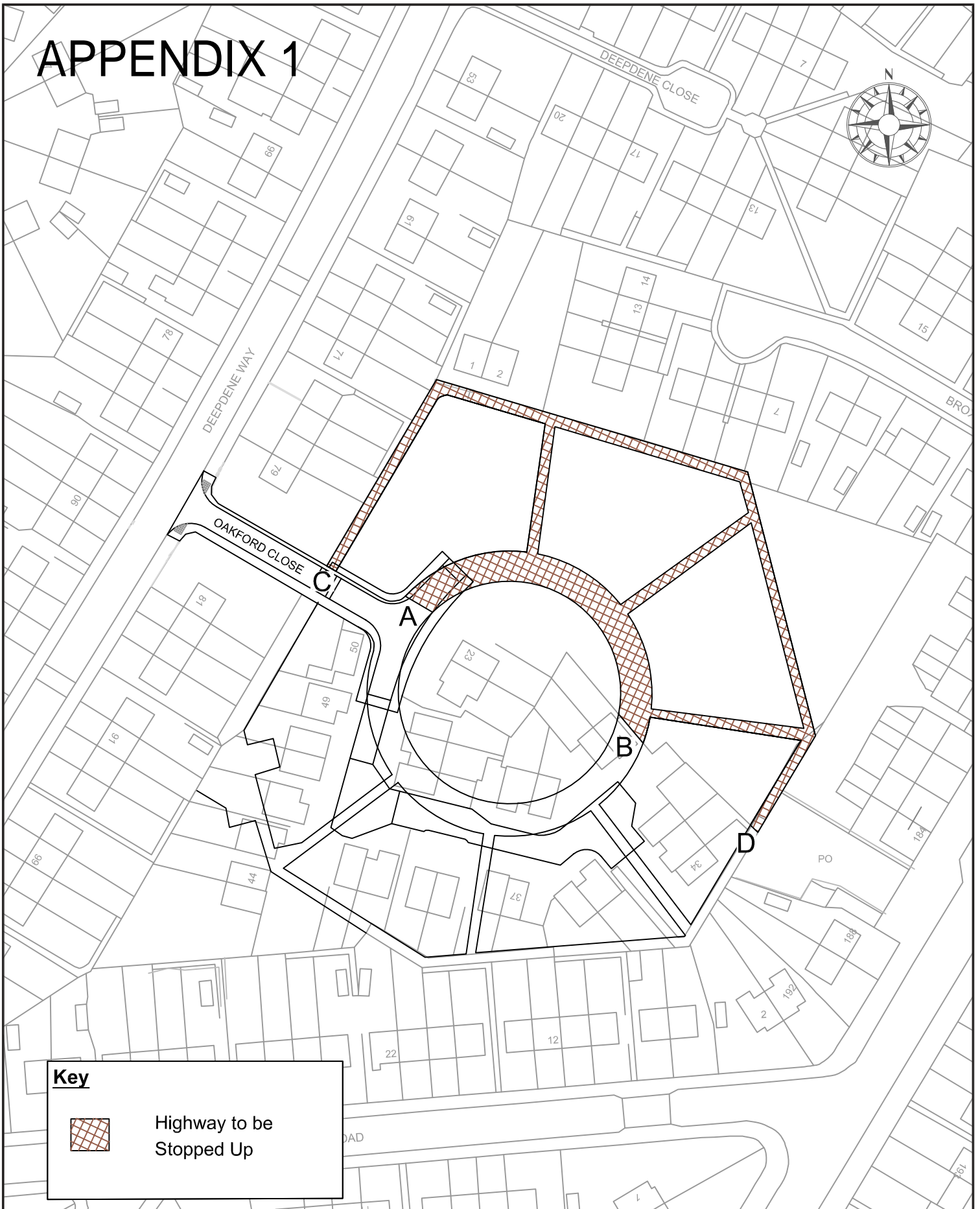
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9 PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT

9.1 [Executive Officer Decision reference 2583](#), published 31 August 2016.

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APPENDIX 1



Key



Highway to be Stopped Up



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Development

Scale

1:1000 @ A4

Drawn

SKG

Date

AUG 16

Scheme

OAKFORD CLOSE
Stopping Up

Title

A B - Carriageway & Footway
C D - Footpath

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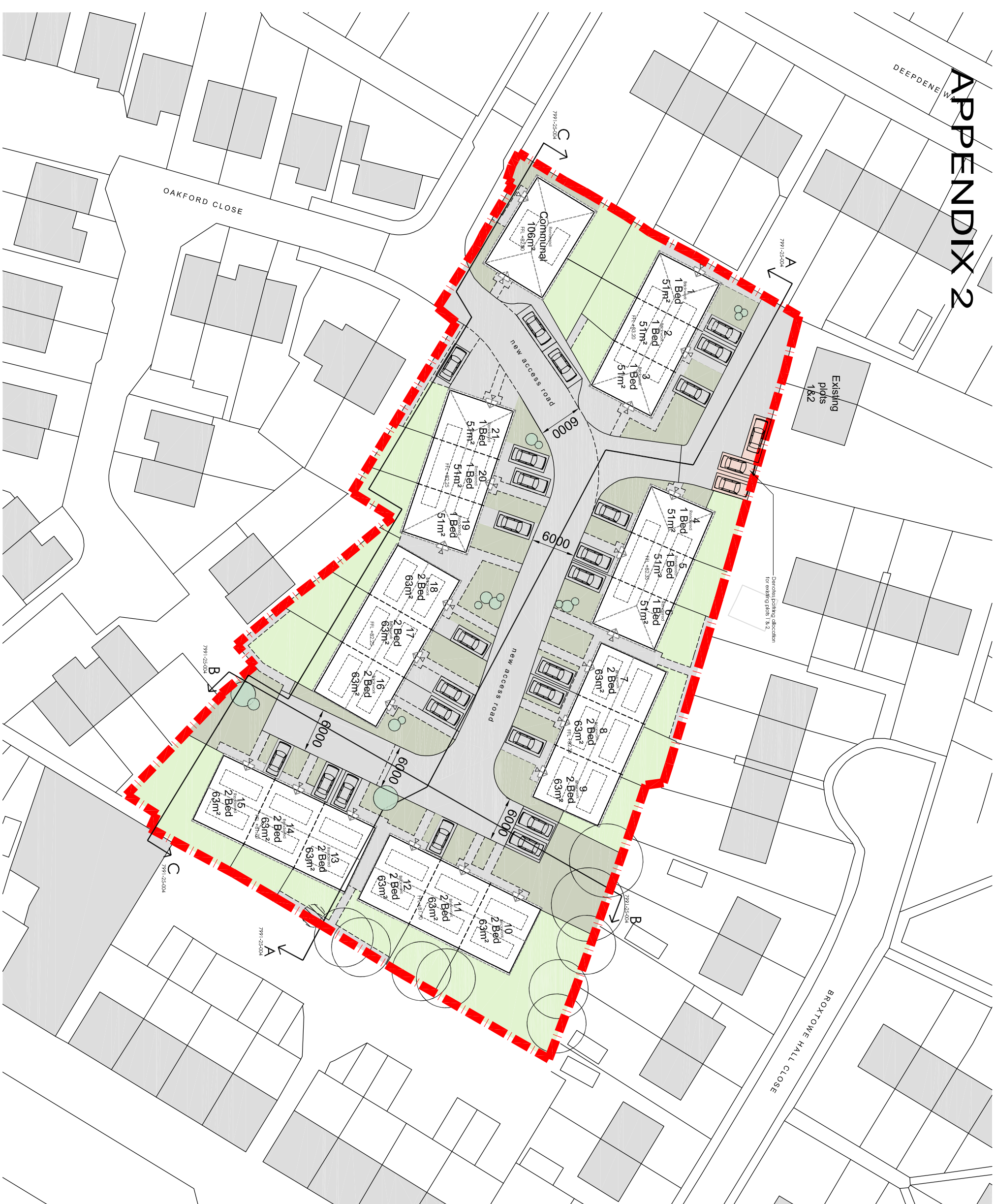
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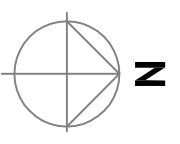
APPENDIX 2



Totals - Oakford Close

Communal - 106m²
 1no. 1 bed @ 51m² = 51m²
 12no. 2 bed @ 63m² = 1512m²
 Total GFA = 2077m²

- Eng. tree
 - Eng. tree to be removed
 - denotes
 - site boundary
- NOTE: Allow for 500mm gap between adjacent parking spaces.



P7	07.06.16	AJS	Revised following highway comments	LH
P6	18.05.16	AJS	Revised to highlight parking allocation for existing plots 1&2.	LH
P5	17.05.16	LH	Revised road layout following highways comments.	AJS
P4	24.03.16	AJS	External facade indicated on plan	SM
P3	18.03.16	LH	Planning Submission	DG
P2	18.03.16	LH	Alignment of roads & plots amended to accommodate existing drainage.	DG
P1	14.03.16	AJS	Design development	SM

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NCH Residential Units

Job title	NCH Residential Units		
Drawing title	Oakford Close		
Site plan as proposed	PLANNING SUBMISSION		
Drawing status	PLANNING SUBMISSION		
Drawn by	date	checked by	scale
AJS	04.03.16	DG	1:500
Job no.	drawing no.	revision	media
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West Area Committee 15 February 2017

Title of paper:	Proposal for a Scheme of Selective Licensing for Privately Rented Houses	
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Other colleagues who have provided input:		
Date of consultation with Portfolio Holder(s) (if relevant)	22 November 2016	
Relevant Council Plan Key Theme:		
Strategic Regeneration and Development		<input type="checkbox"/>
Schools		<input type="checkbox"/>
Planning and Housing		X
Community Services		<input type="checkbox"/>
Energy, Sustainability and Customer		<input type="checkbox"/>
Jobs, Growth and Transport		<input type="checkbox"/>
Adults, Health and Community Sector		<input type="checkbox"/>
Children, Early Intervention and Early Years		<input type="checkbox"/>
Leisure and Culture		<input type="checkbox"/>
Resources and Neighbourhood Regeneration		<input type="checkbox"/>
Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/service users):		
<p>This report is to inform the West Area Committee of the data collection and analysis work that has been completed to inform a decision to consult on a proposal to introduce a selective licensing scheme for privately rented houses. Executive Board have approved the proposed designation in principle and a public consultation will take place on these proposals between January and March 2017.</p> <p>The use of selective licensing powers will provide the following benefits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An opportunity to effectively influence higher standards of privately rented houses and to ensure effective management through more extensive control; • A key tool in achieving the overall reduction of Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB); and • Lead to higher levels of customer satisfaction with private rented sector accommodation within the City • Work with landlords and tenants to provide positive advice and assistance to achieve legislative compliance, education and the provision of advice and information as appropriate. <p>The report outlines the outcomes of an evidence gathering project surrounding the need for selective licensing within the City and demonstrates the existence of problems within the proposed designation. It shows that there is a strong correlation between the criteria for introducing a scheme and the private rented housing stock in Nottingham. Whilst different parts of the City meet different grounds, collectively there is a strong argument for suggesting that the entire City should be covered by the scheme.</p>		

Recommendation(s):	
1	To note the contents of the report.
2	To offer views on the proposal for a scheme of selective licensing for privately rented houses.
3	To ask partners to actively contribute to the consultation process.

1 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.1 The proposed designated area has been chosen because evidence, gathered in accordance with the Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) guidance suggests that relevant statutory tests have been met and that selective licensing of privately rented houses in the area would be an appropriate tool to resolve problems.
- 1.2 Ward councillors have been consulted on the proposed scheme and designation.

2 BACKGROUND (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)

- 2.1 The introduction of a licensing scheme for private rented accommodation to drive up standards and protect tenants across the City is a key objective in the current Council Plan for 2015-2019. Selective Licensing (a power available to local authorities to licence private rented houses) aims to improve living conditions for residents both in the private rented sector and the surrounding community and drive up standards amongst poor landlords. The scheme is an important element of the Council's commitment to safeguarding and protecting vulnerable citizens across the city and in providing quality, safe housing. In order for a scheme to be implemented there are strict statutory criteria and conditions which need to be met. The scheme will also contribute to reductions in levels of Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour and also contributes to one of the Council's key objectives to "cut the number of victims of crime by a fifth and contribute to reduce anti-social behaviour."
- 2.2 Evidence gathering work has been carried out to establish if there are grounds for implementing a scheme of selective licensing in Nottingham and if so where. An evidence base to inform a designation was gathered using number of data sources. Extensive analysis of the evidence against each of the criteria. The area that has been chosen as a proposed designation to consult upon has been arrived at through the analysis of this data. The evidence that has been gathered supports a designation based on the following grounds: -
- significant and persistent problem caused by anti-social behaviour;
 - poor property conditions;
 - high level of deprivation and;
 - high levels of crime.
- 2.3 The report outlines the outcomes of an evidence gathering project surrounding the need for selective licensing within the City and demonstrates the existence of problems within the proposed designation. It shows that there is a strong correlation between the criteria for introducing a scheme and the private rented housing stock in Nottingham.
- 2.4 Though the West Area does not have a high concentration of private rented properties in the round, it is still included in the whole city designation and meets the

criteria relating to antisocial behaviour. It is also an area where there is high potential for properties sold through the RTB to move into the private rented sector, which is an increasing trend and one which brings with it a disproportionate amount of issues around poor/unprofessional management. We feel that selective licensing could help mitigate the negative impact of such tenure shift.

- 2.5 As part of the evidence gathering exercise, The Project Team attended the monthly Neighbourhood Action Team (NAT) Meetings held for 19 of the City's 20 wards over the period June to July 2016. The meetings involved representatives from the Police, Community Protection, Nottingham City Homes (NCH) Housing Patch Managers and Family Services from NCC. The meeting were chaired by the local Neighbourhood Development Officer. The aims of attending the meetings were:
- To find out what issues are faced in different areas of the City in relation to the Private rented sector
 - What impacts these issues have on neighbourhoods
 - Look at how these issues could be addressed
 - Explore what impact a licensing scheme could have on these areas, the City's private rented sector and the City in general.
- 2.6 In addition, an online survey was circulated to NAT attendees and their partners working in the area. Responses to the survey were received from 12 out of the 20 wards and of those that responded 85% reported that they have experienced problems or issues with the PRS in their ward. The most frequently cited issues related to ASB and poor property conditions. Other specific problems reported were fly tipping and untidy gardens.
- 2.7 The feedback gathered through the survey and NAT meetings offers a more tangible level of detail regarding the experience of issues with the private rented sector in the City. It also offers an insight into the exponential or exacerbating effects that unresolved issues can have, as well as the difficulties entailed with resolution and the pressures that these issues put on services. The evidence also highlights some direct examples of where selective licensing would enable issues in the private rented sector to be more effectively and efficiently remedied. This in turn would reduce pressure on services, release precious resources, and allow improved standards to be maintained.
- 2.8 The Council is currently consulting on the proposed scheme. Details of the proposal, evidence to support it and the consultation can be found in the attached appendix 1.
- 2.9 The report seeks to demonstrate the outcomes the Council believes will be achieved by the introduction of this scheme and why making a selective licensing designation will significantly assist the Council to achieve its objectives and bring benefits to not only tenants but to the wider community. The proposed scheme fits entirely with the Council's vision that every neighbourhood is safe, clean and a great place to live.

3 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 A number of other options were considered as part of the Executive Board Report dated 22 November 2016. Overall it was concluded that existing initiatives and the exercise of available powers have not brought about the improvement in the City's PRS which is needed and there is no practical and beneficial alternative to the proposed scheme.

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

4.1 The financial comments are as per the Executive Board Report dated 22 November 2016.

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

5.1 The legal and financial comments are as per the Executive Board Report dated 22 November 2016.

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

6.1 N/A

7 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

7.1 An EIA is attached as Appendix 2, and due regard will be given to any implications identified in it.

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 Executive Board Report dated 22 November 2016 - Proposal for a Scheme of Selective Licensing for Privately Rented Houses.

Appendix 1

Proposal for a Scheme of Selective Licensing for Privately Rented Houses

Background to the proposal

The introduction of a licensing scheme for private rented accommodation to drive up standards and protect tenants across the City is a key objective in the current Council Plan for 2015-2019. Selective Licensing (a power available to local authorities to licence private rented houses) aims to improve living conditions for residents both in the private rented sector and the surrounding community and drive up standards amongst poor landlords. The scheme is an important element of the Council's commitment to safeguarding and protecting vulnerable citizens across the city and in providing quality, safe housing. The scheme will also contribute to reductions in levels of Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour and also contributes to one of the Council's key objectives to "cut the number of victims of crime by a fifth and contribute to reduce anti-social behaviour."

Before making a final decision as to whether to make (and seek confirmation of a scheme) the Council is required to conduct a full consultation for a minimum of 10 weeks which should be informative, clear and to the point, so that the full details of the proposal can be readily understood. It is proposed that consultation be carried out for a period of 11 weeks between 16th January 2017 and 31st March 2017, and will include information on the proposed scheme, the reasons for it and how it has been arrived at, and indicative information regarding fees and conditions. The proposed fee is £600 with a reduced fee of £460 for accredited landlords.

What is Selective Licensing?

The Housing Act 2004 requires local housing authorities to license houses in multiple occupation (HMOs) if they are over 3 storeys and accommodate more than five people who form two or more households. This is called **mandatory licensing**. The Act also gives authorities the power to introduce licensing schemes for other HMOs if certain conditions are met. This is called **additional licensing**, and the Council has been operating a scheme of additional licensing since January 2014. The other form of licensing within the Act (Part 3 of the Housing Act 2004) is called **selective licensing**. This enables authorities to license all other privately rented houses if certain conditions are met. By requiring landlords to apply for a licence to rent out their homes, the Council is able to ensure that the landlord is a "fit and proper person" and, through compliance with the conditions set out in the licence, is providing safe, well managed accommodation.

It is now the law that any proposed scheme exceeding either 20% of the area's private rented sector or 20% of its geographical area must be confirmed by the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government. The scheme which the Council is proposing exceeds both criteria and will require Secretary of State approval.

Why does the Council think licensing is necessary?

The City's private rented sector (PRS) has expanded significantly in recent years. Between the 2001 census and the 2011 census, the proportion of households living in privately rented homes increased by 12%. Since 2011 the sector has increased in size even more. The Building Research Establishment (BRE) carried out a wide-ranging stock survey for the Council in the summer of 2016 and found that the City's private rented sector comprised 43,000 properties.

The increase in the PRS shows how important the sector is as a source of accommodation for Nottingham citizens. People live in the PRS for a number of reasons: because they can't afford to buy a home; they can't access social housing; the relative flexibility and easy accessibility of the PRS suits their lifestyle or the stage in their career; they don't want the responsibility and financial commitment of home ownership. Whatever the reason for living in the sector, the Council believes that tenants should experience a good quality home. This is clearly shown in the Council Plan 2015-19. Enormous progress has been made in improving the social housing stock in the city via the decent homes programme and the Council believes that all Nottingham residents should have access to a high standard of accommodation, whether renting or buying.

As well as using all the powers it has under the legislation to tackle poor housing conditions and poor management the Council has undertaken a number of other initiatives in order to drive up standards in the PRS, most notably landlord accreditation through two major partners, Unipol and Decent and Safe Homes (DASH). Both schemes are voluntary however, and even though many good landlords have joined the schemes (together known as the "Nottingham Standard"), it remains a relatively small proportion of the sector. The Council therefore believes that much more is needed in order to get landlords to comply with their responsibilities. A scheme of selective licensing will, it is believed, enable the Council to ensure that landlords are proactive in making sure that their properties meet certain standards. Landlord's will also take responsibility for management of their properties, supporting good neighbourhoods and assisting with the prevention of crime and ASB in those neighbourhoods.

The strategic case for selective licensing

The 'Council Plan' states that it wants all Nottingham citizens to be able to access a good quality home, and sets out its key objectives for achieving this. Amongst these is a proposal to introduce a citywide licensing scheme for the private rented sector. The proposal for a scheme of selective licensing therefore forms part of a much wider ambition to deliver good quality housing in the City.

The Council believes that regardless of whether you own, are buying or renting your home that it should be safe, warm, and meet modern standards. Although there is a focus on private rented sector within the Council Plan, the plan also seeks to increase the supply of new homes and ensure that consistent standards of management and repair are maintained by housing associations. Put together, these priorities form a multi-tenure approach to housing based on achieving good quality across the city's stock.

The Council recognises the importance of the PRS within the housing market. It seeks to make use of the sector as a positive housing option for people who are homeless or threatened with homelessness. It fulfils a gap in the market in parts of

the City where there is little or no social housing, but where people want to live for reasons such as their support networks. The PRS houses many people on low incomes who are dependent on housing benefit via the Council to support their housing costs. It is quite clear, therefore, that the Council needs a well managed and well maintained PRS stock in order to meet some of its housing objectives and to be part of an overall, well-balanced housing market.

Selective licensing fits with this approach. If we genuinely support the sector and want to ensure that citizens can have a better guarantee of standards within the PRS we need a way of achieving that. The existing powers, schemes and initiatives aimed at tackling poor housing and raising standards have not been sufficient in delivering the PRS we want to see. A licensing scheme, which sets out a clear set of conditions and expectations will, it is believed, bring a step-change in the way in which the City's PRS is managed and tackle the significant problems which our evidence shows currently exist within the sector.

How the scheme will help the Council achieve its objectives.

The proposed selective licensing scheme is above all aimed at improving standards within the PRS as part of an overall objective to bring a higher quality of housing across all tenures. However, the Council believes that its positive impact will be seen beyond just housing and will help to achieve a number of wider objectives, such as:

- Health and wellbeing: it is well known that poor housing can contribute to ill health, and that improving housing conditions, e.g. tackling damp and cold can improve health. Poor housing can also contribute to, or exacerbate mental health problems. The Council and its partners in housing organisations and the health services are working together to achieve housing objectives which lead to a healthier and happier community. Selective licensing will be a significant part of this.
- Crime and antisocial behaviour: It is one of the Council's highest priorities to reduce crime and antisocial behaviour (ASB). The evidence we have compiled to support the case for selective licensing shows that there is a strong correlation, or relationship, between the PRS and crime and ASB. Licensing brings a greater responsibility on landlords to manage their properties better, including the responsibility themselves not to utilise properties for criminal behaviour as well as taking responsibility for the behaviour of their tenants. This is seen as a significant tool in tackling crime and ASB.
- Educational attainment: The Council wants to improve the attainment of children attending city schools. Better housing – a safe, warm and comfortable environment in which to study - can help. Many children are now living in PRS homes, and we want to ensure that the housing they live in is helping them to thrive and do well at school.
- Economic success of the City: The Council and its partners are ambitious for Nottingham to be a growing city economically, providing high quality jobs in thriving industries and businesses. To do this it needs a good quality housing stock which can attract and accommodate workers, particularly younger, aspirational people at the beginning of their "housing career" who are not ready to buy. A higher standard PRS with a better reputation for good quality

housing will help this ambition, and a selective licensing scheme will help to achieve this.

Evidence to support the proposal

The law sets out a range of conditions to be met before a Council may implement a selective licensing scheme. Whilst Councils do not need to meet every condition, strong evidence must be shown to support the condition(s) which are being relied upon.

In simple terms the law says that a selective licensing scheme or “designation” may be made if the area to which it relates satisfies one or more of the following conditions. The area is one experiencing:

- Low housing demand (or is likely to become such an area) ;
- A significant and persistent problem caused by anti-social behaviour;
- Poor property conditions ;
- High levels of migration;
- High level of deprivation;
- High levels of crime

In considering whether to designate an area for selective licensing on the grounds of property conditions, migration, deprivation and crime the local housing authority may only make a designation if the area also has a high proportion of property in the private rented sector. It is for each Council to determine what constitutes “a high proportion of properties in the PRS”. Nottingham City Council selected all areas in Nottingham with a PRS level higher than the national average of 19% as a starting point and adjusted this to remove multi person households (which would not be covered by selective licensing) to arrive at a figure of 16.3%.

The Council considers that there are grounds for a selective licensing scheme based on the antisocial behaviour, poor property conditions, deprivation and crime conditions.

The evidence collected by the Council using a number of sources such as complaints records, Police data, the Indices of Multiple Deprivation (IMD)¹ and a comprehensive stock condition survey carried out by the Building Research Establishment can be summarised thus:

- In line with national trends, rates of Crime and ASB have been reducing in the City. However, overall, both Crime and ASB can still be seen as significant problems in Nottingham.
- Research shows that crime and ASB rate is significantly higher in areas with a high proportion of private rented households (both including and excluding HMOs), and the rate in these areas was above the overall rate for the City.

¹ The Indices of Multiple Deprivation is a set of data collected at national level showing the relative levels of deprivation in all local authority areas in England

ASB

- Nottingham has higher rates of incidents of ASB compared to the national average.
- The rate of ASB calls (especially noise related) and rates of crime is higher in areas with a high proportion of PRS.
- Combining the Police data on ASB with the Council's own data shows there is a positive correlation between the rates of all ASB and noise related ASB and areas with a high proportion of PRS.
- The PRS accounts for a 10% variance in the rate of noise related ASB calls.
- For every 2 reports of ASB received by the Council in areas with a low proportion of PRS, 3 are received in areas with a high proportion of PRS.
- When compared to the owner occupied sector the rate increases to for every 3 reports in areas with a low proportion of PRS, 5 are received in areas where there is a high proportion of PRS

Poor property conditions

- Areas with a high proportion of PRS are more than twice as likely to experience issues of disrepair and one and a half times more likely to experience excess cold
- PRS properties are more likely to experience these issues as a result of tenure type and not tenure concentration
- Two thirds of complaints to the Council are attributable to the PRS that are not HMOs
- For every 3 reports made to the Council for areas with a high proportion of PRS, there would be 2 made in areas with a low proportion.

Deprivation

- Nottingham has high levels of deprivation. Out of the 182 City's lower super output areas (LSOAs), 61 are in the 10% most deprived in the country, and 110 are in the 20% most deprived. Overall, Nottingham is the 8th most deprived district in the country.
- Deprivation is measured by 7 distinct elements that make up the index of multiple Deprivation (IMD)
- Areas with a high proportion of PRS have higher levels of Crime, Barriers to Housing, and Living Environment and have lower levels of Income, Employment and Education than areas with a lower proportion of PRS in an areas
- Areas with a high proportion of PRS have lower than average performance in at least one of the indices, and 87 of the 88 areas are in the lower half of the City's ranking in one or more of the types of deprivation.

Crime

- Areas with a high proportion of PRS have higher incidences of all types of crime compared to the City overall and to areas with a lower proportion of PRS.
- Police data on crime shows that areas with a high proportion of PRS are almost twice as likely to experience crime as the rest of the city.

- 45% of areas where there is a high proportion are almost twice as likely to experience a crime rate in excess of the City average, with five areas also exceeding the national average.
- For every additional unit of PRS property the rate of crime is expected to increase by more than one and half times. A 15% difference in the crime rate can be attributed to the proportion of PRS of in an area. The biggest variation of which is for violent crime.
- Crime is also one of the elements that is a measure of Deprivation. Areas with a higher proportion of PRS have a worse overall performance for crime as an indication of deprivation, than those with a low proportion, with 58% being in the lower half of the City's rank.

The issues that exist in the PRS are often compounded, with areas with a high proportion of PRS often suffering from more than one problem. Overall the analysis undertaken shows there is a positive correlation between the proportion of PRS in an area and rates of both ASB and crime and levels of deprivation, with the majority of areas suffering from issues associated with all three of these criteria.

Qualitative Evidence gathered in the neighbourhoods to support the proposal

The experiences of a number of stakeholders working in the City's neighbourhoods were sought. This included Police officers, Neighbourhood Development Officers, Nottingham City Homes Patch Managers, and Community Protection Officers. This was done by engaging with the Neighbourhood Management Team (NATS) and attending their monthly meetings. In addition, an online survey was circulated to NAT attendees and their partners working in the area.

The responses to the survey echoed the discussion at the NAT meetings, where the primary issue raised by attendees was poor property conditions. Landlords' not undertaking repairs is seen as a key issue and is felt to be having a significant impact on communities. Poor housing conditions are considered to have a disproportionate effect on those who are already vulnerable and whose accommodation in poorly maintained private rented sector properties reflects existing issues of deprivation and poverty. I.e. the low rents that can be afforded entail low property standards. Properties in the private rented sector that are in a poor state of repair or empty for a long period of time contributed to the area looking unkempt and were felt to exacerbate existing levels of ASB and Crime, something that is often compounded by increased incidences of fly tipping, untidy gardens and rubbish dumping in neighbourhoods.

Significant problems with ASB associated with private rented sector property were reported both in the on line survey and in the discussions at the NAT meetings. Whilst the biggest issue reported in the online survey was noise and rowdy behaviour affecting people living in or visiting the vicinity, the single biggest issue brought up at the NAT meetings was rubbish and waste, such as problems with fly tipping, the accumulation of rubbish around properties or in shared alleyways between properties and overflowing bins being left on the street.

The City Council offers a free bulky waste service to help combat these problems, but this simple and free solution is not being utilised due to tenants leaving the responsibility to landlords and/or landlords not taking responsibility for their

properties. This issue was most significant when properties came vacant and it was felt that this was quite a difficult issue to resolve on account of the tenant having left and the landlord being difficult to trace and contact. Neighbourhood Development Officers reported significant problems with trying to establish who was responsible for a property and getting landlords to take action.

71% of respondents to the on line survey said it was difficult to identify if properties are privately rented or owner occupied and NATs found issues associated with the PRS particularly difficult to solve compared to other tenures. This discussion further highlighted the difficulty officer had in establishing responsibility for private rented sector properties and all survey respondents said they used their local community contacts to try and establish tenure and ownership.

Another barrier to resolving issues in the private rented sector that was identified was having to deal with both landlords and tenants - who often held the other responsible. Tenants often lacked information or were not sufficiently empowered to take action themselves, whereas landlords were often reluctant to take ownership of what they see as their tenants' problem. There was also felt to be a general lack of cooperation from some landlords. Officers also cited language barriers or fear of intimidation/retaliation as causing problems when speaking to tenants.

Discussions also highlighted that officers are seeing an increasing number of vulnerable people being housed in the private rented sector, who are not being supported in the ways they would be in social housing. This in turn, is increasing the amount of ASB and therefore the requirement for Police and Community Protection to address it. Housing Patch Managers are also called upon to deal with ASB when tenants in the private rented tenants are causing problems for NCH tenants.

A number of wards highlighted the changing nature of communities and the transitions in tenure from social rented and owner occupied to private rented, transitions that are putting pressures on services. A predominantly owner occupied ward had pockets of private rented with problems of deprivation that is largely hidden from the rest of the community. Another ward that was once predominantly social housing but became owner occupied through right to buy is seeing an increase in PRS due to the improvement of transport links.

Overall, the Council believes it has the evidence to support a scheme of selective licensing on a citywide basis. Whilst a few parts of the City do not meet the statutory criteria the vast majority of the Council's area does and to omit these areas from the proposal would create boundaries for the scheme which would be difficult to understand and undermine the completeness and objectives of the scheme. The Council may also legitimately take into account the likelihood of displacement, which is a poor landlord moving from one area which is covered by licensing to an area that is not. On this basis it is felt that a City wide scheme is justifiable.

Why making a selective licensing designation will significantly assist the Council to achieve its objectives

Crime and antisocial behaviour

The evidence shows that there is a strong correlation between levels of crime and ASB and private rented properties. Selective licensing (through the conditions to be

attached to a licence) will make it a requirement for landlords to manage their properties more effectively, particularly by ensuring that tenancy conditions are clear and set out in proper tenancy agreements. Conditions will require landlords to deal with breaches effectively, giving greater assurance to local communities that private rented homes in neighbourhoods are being properly managed. In letting out properties landlords must take responsibility for the potential impact on neighbouring properties. Licensing will bring a far greater onus on landlords to ensure this. From this shift towards greater landlord responsibility for the conduct of their tenants it is hoped to see a significant reduction in antisocial behaviour. Where landlords do not adhere to their conditions the Council will use a proportionate approach to enforcement to seek to ensure compliance as detailed in its enforcement and compliance guide

It is known from the Council's DCLG-funded rogue landlord initiative that the private rented sector can be a base for criminal activity, and the data the Council has analysed shows a correlation between crime and the PRS. The requirement for a landlord to be a fit and proper person will ensure that those with criminal background are precluded from letting out properties to rent. As with antisocial behaviour, there will also be an expectation that through more effective enforcement of tenancy conditions, criminal activity involving PRS tenants will reduce. Therefore through licensing the Council expects to see a reduction in the level of crime associated with private rented properties.

Poor Property Conditions

The Council's evidence, obtained through a robust stock condition survey suggests a higher level of disrepair and incidence of HHSRS category one hazards than in both the owner occupied and social rented sectors. The licence conditions which will apply to the scheme will require landlords to be proactive in ensuring that their properties are well maintained. There are powers under the Housing Act 2004 to enforce compliance and tackle poor property conditions, but these rely on reporting, something which tenants are often reluctant to do for fear of retaliatory action by landlords. Licensing gives a clear statement of what is expected, both for landlords and tenants. Through the increased proactivity required by licensing and compliance with licence conditions, the Council hopes to see a significant improvement in property conditions in the PRS, one which matches its ambition for high quality homes for everyone in Nottingham, irrespective of tenure.

As part of the proposal a review of the Council's existing licensing schemes was undertaken. This illustrates the effect licensing can have in improving property conditions and demonstrates the track record that the Council has in using licencing schemes as an effective tool to improve property conditions.

The review of both schemes highlights that less than half of landlords (44% mandatory and 45% additional licensing scheme) are not compliant with standards on the first compliance inspections. We know that when the Council inspects properties compliance levels increase and therefore property conditions are improved. This is evidenced through the relatively low level of enforcement actions taken by the Council. The review also highlighted that of the licences issued under additional licensing, 72% required additional conditions or had restrictions placed on

the licence. This demonstrates how licensing allows the Council to impose additional conditions to address specific problems that are identified with properties.

Deprivation

In large parts of the proposed designation, the Council is relying on the City's high levels of deprivation as a condition for introducing a selective licensing scheme. Nottingham scores particularly poorly on income, health, crime, and living environment. Areas where there is the greatest deprivation are also areas where some of the greatest health inequalities exist within the City. Selective licensing alone will not improve the City's performance in terms of deprivation, but it can play a part. Poorly maintained and ineffectively managed homes will inevitably have a negative impact on the range of indicators used to measure deprivation.

Selective licensing, also helps to tackle homelessness by providing a two pronged approach that both addresses the issues that lead to homelessness and by providing an increased supply of higher quality accommodation for those displaced by it. Raising standards of management and property conditions helps to increase the supply of homes which meet the standards required to allow the fulfilment of homelessness duties via the PRS. At the same time selective licensing will tackle and help to reduce instances of poor management that may lead to households losing their homes and presenting for homelessness assistance. Having a good quality, stable home also helps other vulnerable tenants such as jobseekers. If housing conditions are improved and the overall quality of housing rises, it will contribute to the Council's overall ambition to reduce deprivation and ensure that all of its citizens can enjoy the City's prosperity. The Scheme will also provide an opportunity to assist other vulnerable tenants through safeguarding, prevention of exploitation and signposting tenants to services that will support improved health, for example assistance such as smoking cessation or prevention of fuel poverty.

Introducing licensing with its relevant conditions and inspection regime, signposting for wider benefit and proposals for joint working and opportunistic approach for supportive funding for improvement such as energy initiatives will assist with matters such as reducing fuel poverty, increased health and wellbeing, less sickness absence from work and school all of which will support increased household income and health.

The Council can also clearly demonstrate the effect its existing schemes have had on improving property conditions, where it is easier to effect shorter term improvements, in the HMO sector. The outcomes of this are evidenced through the decrease in complaints relating to housing conditions. The Council believes that these improvements in property conditions will directly lead in the longer term to a reduction in deprivation being experienced not only in the properties that are licensed but in the wider community. The Council is able to evidence through the improvements to property in the social rented sector that improvements in property conditions lead to improvement in health. The Council believes that further licensing via the proposed scheme will also enable the Council to improve conditions in the wider PRS where they are clearly needed.

The proposed scheme of selective licensing fits entirely with the Council's vision that every neighbourhood is safe, clean and a great place to live. Existing initiatives and

the exercise of available powers have not brought about the improvement in the City's PRS which is needed: there is no practical and beneficial alternative to the proposed scheme

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Title of EIA: Proposed Designation for Selective Licensing of the Private Rented Sector

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Brief description of proposal being assessed:

Selective licensing is a regulatory tool provided by the Housing Act 2004. Part 3 of the Housing Act 2004 sets out the scheme for licensing private rented properties in a local housing authority area. Under section 80 of the Act a local housing authority can designate the whole or any part or parts of its area as subject to selective licensing. Where a selective licensing designation is made it applies to privately rented property in the area.

The Council is proposing to implement a selective licensing scheme in a designated area – see map Enc 2

Under the proposed designation, all privately rented houses will require a licence; and applications will need to be made to the Council by landlords.

One of the key benefits which licensing is perceived to bring is an improvement in housing standards in a sector of the housing market in which a large number of vulnerable citizens are housed.

A further EIA will be carried out on the final scheme proposal should it progress through the various approval stages.

As part of the consultation process a Communities of Interest event will be held in order to engage with the harder to reach communities and those identified as part of this EIA who may potentially be impacted by these proposals.

During the course of consultation on the proposal (which will take place if the proposal is approved by Councillors) it is possible that other issues will be raised in relation to equality, and these will be carefully considered in the EIA of the final proposal.

Information used to analyse the effects on equality:

The Project Team held an informal focus group discussion in August 2016 and invited representatives from different communities in Nottingham to discuss experiences of living in and renting out properties in Nottingham. The aim of the session was to find out what issues are faced by different equality groups, explore what impact a licensing scheme may have on the city's different communities and equality groups, and explore options for future consultation and engagement. In addition data from the 2011 census was used to map areas with a high proportion of PRS and areas with a high concentration of bad health, age group, BME and minority ethnic population and disability and a high proportion of PRS. Learning from the existing licensing schemes has also been used.

	Could particularly benefit X	May adversely impact X (although may be only short term)	How different groups could be affected (Summary of impacts)	Details of actions to reduce negative or increase positive impact (or why action isn't possible)
People from different ethnic groups.	X	X	<p>A Focus Group was held with representatives from different communities who identified potential impacts on different sections of the community. It was acknowledged that Selective Licensing could, along with a wider set of measures, address issues associated with the Private Rented Sector (PRS) such as antisocial behaviour (ASB), poor property conditions, high levels of deprivation and crime. These may have a disproportionate effect on different types of communities. Participants agreed that there should be some form of control over landlords and that they should be accountable for the conditions in their properties</p> <p><u>People from different ethnic groups</u> The population of those living in the City's PRS comprises people from a range of different BME communities. Mapping shows that there are high concentrations of BME citizens in areas of the city where there is a high concentration of PRS properties; furthermore areas with an above</p>	<p>Positive impact can be continually improved by on-going enforcement action against non-compliant landlords.</p> <p>It is hoped that the scheme will help to tackle ASB issues in the PRS</p> <p>It is felt that overall the benefits of selective licensing outweigh the potential disadvantages; it is believed will have a positive impact on disadvantaged groups who are over-represented in many of the communities where it will be implemented</p> <p>There is no data set which links property ownership to ethnic origin, so it is not possible to quantify this impact. It is however acknowledged that there is a high level of ownership amongst the Asian community, and therefore the Council must have regard to this</p>
Men	X	X		
Women	X	X		
Trans	X	X		
Disabled people or carers.	X	X		
Pregnancy/ Maternity	X	X		
People of different faiths/ beliefs and those with none.	X	X		
Lesbian, gay or bisexual people.	X	X		
Older	X	X		
Younger	X	X		
Other (e.g. marriage/ civil partnership, looked after children, cohesion/ good relations, vulnerable children/ adults).				
<i>Please underline the group(s) /issue more adversely affected or which benefits.</i>	X	X		

average PRS also have an above average % of the population that are from a BME background
 Overcrowding is likely to be an issue in some areas and illegal conversions of properties particularly affect new and emerging communities.

Potential benefit: Improved quality and safety of accommodation for BME tenants in the rental market due to the compliance with licensing conditions. Life chances/opportunities are affected by housing. As accommodation improves outcomes should improve. May also improve health and wellbeing as homes are improved.

Potential adverse impact:

(a) Landlords

Background: Property investment by the Asian community is the foundation of their financial interests. Property portfolios seen as ‘pension schemes’ and a means to support families (within the UK and back in Pakistan and India), communities and faith institutions. Life savings are often invested in property. Great concern that the proposals will seriously damage property portfolios having a ‘knock-on’ effect of reducing ‘yields’ and lowering income that can be used to support families, the community etc. Representatives of this community perceive that landlords in their community have already been disproportionately affected by the additional licensing scheme and another scheme may

potential adverse impact. Licence applications will provide an opportunity to capture ethnic monitoring data and provide better data on ownership of PRS. This was introduced as part of the Additional Licensing scheme. Out of 1379 Licence Holders, 105 declared their ethnicity. Of these 105 40% are White British/Irish, 47% Asian and 13% Black/Other. Of the Asian landlords to declare their ethnicity the majority, 62% are Asian Pakistani, and make up 35% of landlords where ethnicity is known.

It is also acknowledged that this is a highly complex issue which will require a lot of support and explanation to certain sections of the community so that they fully understand what is expected of them and are able to comply with the requirements. Such a role should be carried out by the Housing Strategy and Environmental Health teams.

Overall, the additional costs to landlords over five years is considered to be small, although it is acknowledged that those with larger portfolios needing to pay multiple licence fees will have a large upfront outlay.

It is intended that accredited landlords will receive a discount on the fee.

have a big impact on their portfolios

(b)Tenants

The effect of large cohorts of renters in a community was discussed. Different areas of Nottingham have different amenities that attract people from different ethnic groups. This leads to a concentration of particular ethnic groups in an area. This can put pressure on services in that area as the community is less diverse. It can also mean tension between different communities.

Overcrowding in the PRS was discussed. People from new and emerging communities may be particularly affected by overcrowding or illegal/substandard conversions. Issues of subletting were identified as a key issue that needs to be addressed. This is a particular problem amongst new and emerging communities.

Concern that landlords will inevitably increase rents to cover licensing costs and costs of works to comply with licensing conditions. One of the unintended consequences of a scheme may be to push tenants further into food and fuel poverty. People from BME communities may be more likely to earn less than non BME communities. Poor standards of accommodation are often at the lower end of the market and landlords may have to do more to their properties at this end to meet the standards required.

There is a risk that Selective licensing will result in rent increases, but this impact would not be fully understood until the scheme had been implemented. Consideration has been given to the potential impact of the cost of licensing being passed on to tenants through higher rents. It is felt that over the five year term of the scheme the proposed licence fee will not constitute more than a few pounds per week. The evidence from the Council's additional licensing scheme suggests that although rents in student HMOs (which make up a significant proportion of the city's HMOs) increased after the introduction of additional licensing, this was part of an upward trend in student rents that was also experienced by other cities with large student populations. It is therefore a risk that the Council should be aware of, but one which is based on speculation.

The Council does not believe that standards of accommodation should be compromised in the interests of greater affordability. These are standards that the Council believes landlords should already be meeting. Outcomes of the scheme that are designed to tackle excess cold will result in lower heating bills and reductions to fuel poverty releasing income to tenants

The scheme may cause landlords to withdraw properties from the sector and lead to less homes being available for renters.

Disabled people or carers

Mapping shows no apparent overlap between areas of high PRS and population experiencing disability. This may be due to the small cohort. Focus group identified that tenants with disabilities often face particular problems when renting properties. They may have problems with security of tenure. Landlords are reluctant to facilitate property adaptations and getting these agreed with landlords was highlighted as a particular difficulty. Tenants with health issues are also much more likely to be affected by problems with damp and housing disrepair issues. They may face problems with getting repairs done quickly. Disabled tenants are much more impacted by the cold and issues such as no heating or hot water affect them more. Disabled tenants have also highlighted problems renting properties when they have assistance dogs, as these are seen as pets and they are not pets.

Potential benefit: An improvement in property standards which it is believed licensing will bring will have a positive impact on the lives of such people

Potential adverse impact: Tenants in this equality strand could be affected by rent rises and other

adjustments to the PRS market that might result from licensing changes.

People from different faith groups

Potential adverse impact: Issues already stated regarding Asian landlords could apply to this equality strand. It should be noted that the Muslim community cannot receive, for religious reason, 'interest' from investments and therefore property is a preferred investment, hence this makes this community sensitive to any matters that could affect property prices or yields.

Lesbian, gay or bisexual people; and

Men, women (including maternity/pregnancy impact), transgender people

Although the proposals are not believed to specifically have an adverse impact on these groups, the risk already mentioned of rent increases could have an impact on all sections of the community.

Older or younger people

Although the proposals are not believed to specifically have an adverse impact on these groups, the risk already mentioned of rent increases could have an impact on all sections of the community.

Outcome(s) of equality impact assessment:

- No major change needed X
- Adjust the policy/proposal
- Adverse impact but continue

•Stop and remove the policy/proposal

Arrangements for future monitoring of equality impact of this proposal / policy / service:

If the proposal proceeds to a final decision by the Council to implement, a further review of this EIA will take place. It may be possible to use referral data to agencies such as Housing Aid, Notts Housing Advice etc to see what specific impacts the scheme is having if it is implemented.

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2. Clearly summarised your proposal/ policy/ service to be assessed.
3. Hyperlinked to the appropriate documents.
4. Written in clear user friendly language, free from all jargon (spelling out acronyms).
5. Included appropriate data.
6. Consulted the relevant groups or citizens or stated clearly when this is going to happen.
7. Clearly cross referenced your impacts with SMART actions.

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Proposal for a Scheme of Selective Licensing for Privately Rented Houses



Introduction

- Key priority to introduce City Wide Selective Licensing (SL) Scheme
 - Improve living conditions for residents in the private rented sector (PRS) and the surrounding community
 - Drive up standards amongst poor landlords.
 - Part of the Council's commitment to safeguarding and protecting vulnerable citizens across the city and in providing quality, safe housing for all
 - Contribute to reductions in levels of Crime and ASB
- Strict criteria to comply with and conditions needed for a scheme to be implemented

Firm proposal developed. Consulting on scheme to submit to DCLG for approval later this year



Current Position

- Housing Act 2004 - Mandatory and Discretionary Licensing
- Mandatory licensing
 - large 'Houses in Multiple Occupation' (HMOs)
- Discretionary
 - Additional licensing smaller HMOs. Adopted scheme Jan 2014 covering 3,000 properties
 - Selective Licensing
- SL potentially cover majority of the remainder of the PRS not covered by existing schemes.
- Could be circa additional 30,000 properties.
- To get a scheme that could be described as 'City Wide' an application will need to be approved by the DCLG. Need to ensure proposal is robust, properly considered and presented.

What is the aim of Selective Licensing?

- Help tackle problems identified in PRS
 - ASB
 - Crime
 - Deprivation
 - Poor Property Conditions
- Improve living conditions for tenants and the surrounding community
- Drive up standards amongst landlords and tackle Rogue Landlords
- Work with landlords and tenants to provide positive advice and assistance

Selective Licensing and Health and Wellbeing

- Positive impact better housing on health and wellbeing well known
- Higher level of disrepair and incidence of HHSRS category one hazards in the PRS
 - Licensing used to Improve housing conditions (tackling damp and cold) and improve health.
 - Help tackle mental health problems by improving housing conditions
- Areas greatest deprivation also areas where some of the greatest health inequalities exist
- MOU Health & Housing - action plan identifies PRS as a focus for action

Selective licensing important tool for delivering this action

Selective Licensing and Health and Wellbeing

- Working together to achieve housing objectives leads to healthier and happier communities.
- HWB asked to
 - offer its views on the proposal for the scheme
 - actively contribute to the consultation process which ends on 31st March 2017.
- On line survey for contributing views
- www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/selectivelicensing

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WEST AREA COMMITTEE - 15 FEBRUARY 2017

Title of paper:	Section 106 Funding for Parks and Open Spaces in the West Area	
Director(s)/ Corporate Director(s):	Andy Vaughan, Corporate Director, Commercial & Operations Hugh White, Director, Sport & Culture	Wards affected: Bilborough Leen Valley
Report author(s) and contact details:	James Dymond, Parks Development Manager 0115 876 4983 James.Dymond@nottinghamcity.gov.uk Eddie Curry, Head of Parks & Open Spaces 0115 876 4982 Eddie.Curry@nottinghamcity.gov.uk	
Other colleagues who have provided input:	James Tilford, Parks Development Officer 0115 915 2749	
Date of consultation with Portfolio Holder(s) (if relevant)	n/a	
Relevant Council Plan Key Theme:		
Strategic Regeneration and Development		<input type="checkbox"/>
Schools		<input type="checkbox"/>
Planning and Housing		<input type="checkbox"/>
Community Services		<input type="checkbox"/>
Energy, Sustainability and Customer		<input type="checkbox"/>
Jobs, Growth and Transport		<input type="checkbox"/>
Adults, Health and Community Sector		<input type="checkbox"/>
Children, Early Intervention and Early Years		<input type="checkbox"/>
Leisure and Culture		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Resources and Neighbourhood Regeneration		<input type="checkbox"/>
Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/service users):		
The report outlines proposals for the spend of open space Section 106 funding.		
Recommendation(s):		
1	To endorse the allocation of £37,711.38 of Section 106 funding (from planning application 11/00211/POUT) as set out in the report.	
2	To endorse the allocation of £58,577.41 of Section 106 funding (from planning application 13/01703/POUT) as set out in the report.	

1 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

1.1 The Parks Development and Allotment Team have set out proposals for the spend of:

- £37,711.38 of Section 106 funding that is now available to spend on the “provision and/or enhancement of open space” in the West Area.
- £58,577.41 of Section 106 funding that is available to spend “towards the improvement of the facilities at Broxtowe Country Park and Strelley Recreation Ground”.

1.2 The spend proposals are as follows:

Site	Proposals	£
Melbourne Park	Outdoor gym Match funding for play area improvements Path & infrastructure repairs	£15,000.00
Bilborough Park	Path & infrastructure repairs	£10,000.00
Western Boulevard (Trafford Gardens) play area	Removal of the existing play area and match funding for a bid to build a new play area on site.	£9,000.00
Moorfield Allotments	Environmental improvements, e.g. hedge-laying, access works, plot clearance.	£3,711.38
	TOTAL	£37,711.38

Site	Proposals	£
Broxtowe Country Park and/or Strelley Recreation Ground	Park improvements	£58,577.41
	TOTAL	£58,577.41

1.3 These proposals are based on discussions with local people and Neighbourhood Development Officers for the area.

1.4 It should be noted that constructing a new play area at Bilborough Park is also on the priority list for the area, however a different Section 106 sum is earmarked for this, with an external funding bid planned for late 2017.

2 BACKGROUND (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)

2.1 The development that generated the funding was Linden House, Beechdale Road, planning reference 11/00211/POUT and the funding was received in October 2015.

3 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 If the Section 106 funding is not allocated and spent by October 2020, it would be possible for the developer to reclaim it.

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

4.1 Nottingham City Council has two section 106 receipts available from planning references 11/00211/POUT and 13/01703/POUT for the works proposed above. The relevant section 106 receipts will now be earmarked for the above project.

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

5.1 Legal comments will be sought at the Delegated Decision stage of approvals.

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

6.1 N/A

7 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

7.1 An EIA is not required because this report does not include proposals for new or changing policies, services or functions.

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 Section 106 agreement: Nottingham City Council and Nottingham City Primary Care Trust re development at site of Linden House, Beechdale Road, Nottingham, dated 28 October 2011.

9.2 Section 106 agreement: Nottingham City Council and Wilson Bowden Developments Limited re residential development at Woodhouse Park, Nottingham, dated 8 October 2013.

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West Area Committee Meeting – Area 3 ALO Briefing Notes

19/1/17

Note: These figures represent the half year point status for the ABG results, due to a delay in monitoring returns from commissioned partners – the Q3 status point figures will be ready by the time of the meeting.

Targeted & Diversionary Youth - Half Year Outcomes

- 81 diversionary sessions against target of 70
- 219 targeted sessions against target of 113
- 81 holiday sessions against a target of 70
- 411 YP accessing diversionary sessions against target of 280
- 62 YP less at risk against target of 34

Targeted Youth Provision:

A Place 2 be me	Group activities/counselling, Youth Club, Girls Sports Club 2 evenings/wk term time, 3 evenings/week holidays
Aspley & Bells Lane	Group sessions, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings each week
Strelley CC	Group sessions, 2 evenings per week
GGN Y&P	Friday night Girls Group (Phoenix Adventure Park) every week Bilborough Youth sessions, Tues at Birchover

Diversionary Youth Provision:

A Place to be me	Half term holiday clubs, Brockleheigh, Beachdale road 10-16
Aspley & Bells Lane	May half term daily sessions, Minver Crescent 8-12
Strelley CC	Half term holiday clubs, SCC

Employment & Skills - Half Year Outcomes

- 157 Work club sessions against target of 92
- 146 people accessing work clubs, target of 88
- 23 jobs, target of 20
- 7 placements, target of 6
- 4 L2 training, target of 35
- 15 volunteers, target of 10

Employment & Skills Provision:

3 Subcontractors (GGN, EMPLEO, Strelley Community Club), generally delivering universal work club provision at various venues across Area 3 on a weekly basis, for people aged 29+.

GGN	Aspley Library (Tues 1-3), Bilborough Library (Tues 10-12), Vine Com Centre (Monday 1-3)
EMPLEO	Bulwell JC+ (Fri 9-3), ACTC (Fri 9-3), Vine, Riverside, New Art Exchange
SCC	SCC (Weds 5-7), SCC (Tues all day)

Support for Older People -Half Year Outcomes

131 older people supported against target of 102
96 activities against target of 238

Support for Older People Provision:

Rob Arthur	Bilborough over 55's Tai Chi Club	(Monday mornings)
Skills2Exchange*	weekly set of activities at Beachdale CC, games, quizzes, arts and crafts, socialising. Low cost meal trip to Willows. Exchanging skills – computer maintenance, home maintenance, gardening, cooking, and entertainment.	
Supportnet	Drop in Sessions (Tues 10-12), trips. Table Tennis, Gardening, Sign Language, Welfare Rights	
Vale	Not directly delivering, but subsidizing Luncheon Club, Ladies Group, Craft Groups, Raleigh Retirement Group.	

**Note: As of 15/12/16 due to the closure of the Partnership Council, Skills2Exchange has ceased operating as a commissioned partner in Area 3.*

Community Centres - Half Year Outcomes

- 6954 hrs open against target of 7820
- 84 under-represented groups against target of 162

Community Centres Provision:

Sheila Russell, Bells Lane (Cinderhill), Beachdale, Birchover, and Vale.

(ACTC – due to closure of BEST, this has ceased to operate as a Community Centre).

Voluntary Support - Half Year Outcomes

- 15 Groups accessing management support against target of 4
- 13 Groups supported with funding applications against a target of 4
- 19 Volunteers recruited against a target of 14

Voluntary Support Provision

NCVS	Quarterly funding surgeries, Volunteer recruitment events, Support to the 5 designated Community Centres.
GGN	Management support, assistance in funding applications, volunteer recruitment, support in increasing service users in Community Centres.

Additional Employment & Skills Provision in Area 3 not funded through ABG.

Step in to Work / YEI Performance

Combined Contract Results

Starts Target 485 Actual 370 (76%)

Position – 4th behind NG7, Castle Cavendish and Futures (Inner City Tier).

Absolute numbers only Futures ahead on 909, we are 2nd with the nearest is NG7 on 316.

Jobs Target 194 Actual 126 (65%)

Position – 5th behind NG7, CC, Futures and City College.

Absolute numbers 2nd, Futures lead with 367, then inner city tier follow between 111-113.

Talent Match Area 3

Area 3 support figures for TM from Start of Programme to end of December 2016

Aspley	215
Bilborough	90
Leen Valley	24
Total for Area 3	329

Total support figure for the programme as of 31/12/16 - 517

Outcomes for Area 3 from Start of Programme to end of December 2016

Into Full Time Jobs	53
Into Volunteering Roles	12
Into Work Experience	20
Into Basic Skills Training	82
Into Formal Education	34
Into Apprenticeships	15

Steve Burch
Partnership & Employment Manager GGN
20/1/17



WEST AREA COMMITTEE
February 2017

Title of paper:	Nottingham City Homes Update and Approvals	
Director(s)/ Corporate Director(s):	Nick Murphy, Chief Executive of Nottingham City Homes	Wards affected: Aspley, Bilborough and Leen Valley
Report author(s) and contact details:	Kristian Murden, Kristian.murden@nottinghamcityhomes.org.uk Nicky Jarvis, Nicky.Jarvis@nottinghamcityhomes.org.uk	
Other colleagues who have provided input:	Leanne Hoben, Decent Neighbourhoods Manager	
Date of consultation with Portfolio Holder(s) (if relevant)	N/A	
Relevant Council Plan Strategic Priority:		
Cutting unemployment by a quarter		<input 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 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 type="checkbox"/>
Deliver effective, value for money services to our citizens		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Summary of issues (including benefits to customers/service users):		
<p>The report provides updates on key issues and themes which link back to local priorities and the strategic themes for Nottingham City Homes.</p> <p>The reports provide summary updates on the following key themes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capital Programme and major work; • area regeneration and environmental issues; • key messages from the Tenant and Leasehold Congress; • Tenant and Residents Associations updates; • area performance; • good news stories and positive publicity. 		
Recommendation(s):		
1	To note and comment on the update and performance information in Appendices 1 and 2.	
2	To note the allocation of funds for 2016/17, detailed in Appendix 3.	
3	To approve the Area Capital Programme funding request set out in Appendix 3.	

1. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)

- 1.1 The Nottingham City Homes Update provides a descriptive and statistical picture of what is happening at an area level and invite community representatives to comment, debate, and challenge and identify how they can add value to improve their neighbourhoods.
- 1.2 The update also monitors progress in the wards and acts 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 Nottingham City Homes previously reported on performance at local Area Panels that sat below the respective Area Committees. These panels were attended by local residents, local Councillors and partner agencies.
- 2.2 Nottingham City Homes has a goal to 'create homes and places where people want to live' and to give tenants and leaseholders an input in shaping what happens in their area. The Nottingham City Homes Update and Performance Report is one of a number of initiatives that increases the transparency and accountability of the Company's performance.
- 2.3 Following the decision for Nottingham City Homes reps to attend Area Committee, it was decided to provide the Nottingham City Homes Update Report to Area Committee. Appendices 1 and 2 provide the latest performance position for the committee to note and comment on.
- 2.4 Appendix 3 outlines the remaining capital budget for this area for noting and provides detail of the schemes that require approval by the Committee. The figure reported to this Area Committee is an accurate account of what budget is remaining.

3 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

None

4 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (INCLUDING VALUE FOR MONEY/VAT)

Budgets are allocated on a yearly basis for each ward and there is an obligation on Nottingham City Homes to ensure that funds are allocated to projects within these budget requirements

5 RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES (INCLUDING LEGAL IMPLICATIONS AND CRIME AND DISORDER ACT IMPLICATIONS)

None

6 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 6.1 An EIA is not required

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

None

8. **PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT**

None

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NCH update report 3



Time: 5.30pm

Date 2nd February 2017

Presented by: Kristian Murden / Nicky Jarvis

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	Item	Executive Summary / Key Points	For information or decision
1	Capital Programme & major works	<p>External wall insulation</p> <p>418 properties in Aspley have received external wall insulation through the current project with our constructor partner, Sustainable Building Services. Previous no access and refusals are being revisited.</p> <p>In Bilborough 81 BISF (British Iron and Steel Federation) houses have been insulated by Constructor partner, Keepmoat. Work is progressing well and will go into next financial year. Roofline work such as guttering is being replaced at the same time.</p> <p>Officers from Keepmoat and Nottingham City Homes attended the Bracebridge Drive Christmas light switch on.</p> <p>New builds</p> <p>Cranwell site is awaiting a new water main, to be installed by Severn Trent. Completion is forecast for the end of March.</p> <p>Extra flats for Strelley Library development</p> <p>Plans for Strelley Library are almost finalised and an extra six flats have been included</p>	Information

		<p>rather than a new housing office. There'll be regular surgeries and housing drop in sessions for residents at the library.</p> <p>Fire alarm replacements Fire alarms at Belconnen Court and Cairns Close have been replaced</p>	
2	Area Regeneration and Environmental Issues	<p><u>Aspley</u></p> <p>Lindfield Road boundary improvements – We are currently costing up the final stages of this project to take to Area Committee for approval. This will then be delivered over the summer.</p> <p>Frinton Road Community Allotment – We are currently looking at internal labour within our DLO to start the preparation element of this project and aim to have this off the ground as soon as possible.</p> <p><u>Bilborough</u> Denewood Crescent major fencing project, phase 1 has now successfully been delivered, replacing the old damaged timber fencing with new metal railings to smarten up this area.</p> <p>We are now working on approving a major fencing scheme in Wollaton Vale and a continuation of the Denewood Crescent project. We are also looking at some external improvements around the Darnall Crescent flats area to smarten up this area of the ward.</p> <p><u>Leen Valley</u> We will soon be on site at Ashwell Gardens to deliver phase 2 of the environmental works. Mainly upgrading the fencing and improvements to the drying areas. Phase 1 has had a very positive impact on the area.</p>	Decision
3	Key messages from Tenant &		X

	Leaseholder Involvement	<p>Tenant and Leaseholder Awards 2017 Once again we're looking for nominations for the NCH Tenant and Leaseholder Awards 2017. Every year we recognise individuals and groups who go that extra mile for members of their community. There are 11 award categories and 8 of these are open to the wider community to nominate projects. The closing date for nominations is Friday 20th January 2017.</p>	
4	Tenant and Residents Associations updates	<p><u>BELSATRA</u> The group meet fortnightly to plan events and discuss matters that arise locally and continue to offer regular events for the local residents. The group also offer regular play sessions to children & an over 50's luncheon. The group held a Christmas party at the over 50s club and also assisted in the Bells Lane Christmas Bizarre. The TRA group members have responsibility for certain streets / areas in the locality and report issues regularly to the HPM's.</p> <p><u>DADTRA</u> Regular meetings are held with local partners. A coffee morning is held every Wednesday morning at the Community House on Denewood Crescent, local residents are encouraged to attend.</p> <p>The TRA delivered their annual Christmas event at the Community House. The house was opened up to the local residents with children having the opportunity to meet santa and receive a present. There was a chocolate tombola / raffle that local residents took part in that raised for funds for future events.</p> <p><u>Broxtowe Community Club</u> Frinton Road Community Pocket Park/garden project - The group are working with the HPM and the Involvement team to progress the project. The site has been cleared with construction starting imminently. The project has a completion date of 31st March 2017. The community group will be actively</p>	X

	<p>looking for further funding for greenhouses and equipment, so that planting can take place in the spring in line with the estimated completion date of the build. As soon as the build has been completed, the community group, young people and partners that helped to design the Pocket Park, will be involved in getting the project off the ground.</p> <p>BCC held a successful New Year 'Food around the World' which took place on Saturday 14th January 2016. The event was funded by the local councillors and supported by local partner organisations. It was a very successful event with the Sheriff of Nottingham in attendance and over 220 local residents.</p> <p><u>Friends United Network</u> FUN are a successful group in the Beechdale area and deliver regular activities in the local area to all residents. The group hold a successful homemade soup morning 9-11 on a Tuesday and a Thursday which is available for local residents. A games afternoon takes place on Thursdays and a bingo night on a Friday. The group organised a Christmas Lunch at Beechdale Community Centre on Christmas day. The event was a huge success and was enjoyed by around 40 local residents.</p> <p><u>New Whitemoor</u> The TRA meet bi monthly at Naburn Court with partner agencies and have a large turnout for these meetings. The TRA work in conjunction with Naburn Court to deliver regular events to the community.</p> <p><u>STAR</u> The local Councillors have agreed to contribute substantial funding towards additional play equipment in the local park and the group will be actively supporting throughout the consultation period. The group are keen to make sure that the most suitable equipment is installed for the enjoyment of children and families living in this neighbourhood. The group are hoping to</p>	
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		meet more frequently so estate issues can be addressed.	
5	Area Performance Figures	See attached Report	X
6	Good news stories & positive publicity	<p>Fitness Sessions in Nottingham North from Fit in the Community Monday – Motivate – 17.30-19.00pm Aspley Community Training Centre Tuesday – Clubbercise – 17.30-18.15pm – The Hope Centre, Aspley</p> <p>Swim or Fit for a £1 For £1 tenants and leaseholders can use the gym or attend fitness classes at any of the Nottingham City Council fitness centres. This offer is currently running alongside the very successful swim for a £1 running at any Nottingham city council swimming pools.</p> <p>For more information contact NCH Involvement Team on 0115 746 910 www.fitinthecommunity.com</p> <p>Tenant Academy All tenant Academy courses are free to NCH tenants and groups. A range of courses are available for tenants and leaseholders to access from Lunch and learn money matters, IT and construction skills to starting your own business.</p> <p>IT for Universal Credit This course is aimed at supporting tenants who will have to apply for future welfare benefits on line</p>	X



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Area report - Aspley, Bilborough & Leen Valley





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AC3-1 Anti-social behaviour







Performance indicator and definition	Target	2016/17			2015/16	2014/15	Latest Note
		Value	Status	Long Trend	Value	Value	
% of ASB cases resolved – Aspley <i>Note: This PI measures the proportion of ASB cases NCH has successfully resolved. Data for this PI is not available by ward and is reported by Housing Office.</i>	99%	99.03%			99.44%	100%	Excellent result this month highlighting strong team work and support
% of ASB cases resolved by first intervention – Aspley <i>Note: This PI monitors how many ASB cases NCH resolved on the first intervention e.g. written warning. Data for this indicator is not available by ward and is reported by Housing Office.</i>	85%	96.84%			95.83%	85.03%	Once again currently performing above target for this KPI which shows commitment and thorough case management by the team
Number of new ASB cases – Aspley <i>Note: Data for this PI is only available by Housing Office.</i>		459			370	185	The Aspley team recorded 20 new cases in July 2014 which represents a mix of drug related activity, untidy gardens and neighbour disputes. The ASB partnership with the Police and Community Protection continue to deliver joined up solutions to these issues
Tenant satisfaction with the ASB service <i>Note: . Overall tenant satisfaction with the ASB service - The average score (out of 10) for each survey question. Data for this indicator is not available by ward..</i>	8.5				7.1	7.51	Tenant satisfaction with the ASB service has improved. We received the highest scores for the support provided, ease of reporting, and willingness to report ASB in the future. CommUNITY mediation service will be launched in the summer to support early intervention and is expected to positively impact on customer satisfaction To further drive performance improvement we will continue to undertake regular case supervision and regular case quality checks.



<p>Tenant satisfaction with the repairs service</p> <p><i>Note: Data for this PI is only available citywide</i></p>	9.1	9.08			9.1	8.9	<p>Performance is in target for the month at 9.2% .With performance at 9.08 for the year we continue to look at introducing service improvements through the repairs modernisation and monitor customer satisfaction data to highlight and inform these service improvements. These improvements have been added to an action plan that covers the whole of R&M to improve customers satisfaction with the service. We are also currently piloting new customer service cards.</p>
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AC3-3 Rent Collection









Performance indicator and definition	Target	2016/17			2015/16	2014/15	Latest Note
		Value	Status	Long Trend	Value	Value	
<p>% of rent collected</p> <p><i>Note: This PI measures the amount of rent collected (including tenant arrears) as a percentage of rent due for the current year. Data for this indicator is not available by ward and is reported city wide.</i></p> <p><i>Trend shows as improving if value is over 100% as arrears are decreasing.</i></p>	100%	101.22%			100.25%	100.56%	<p>Following the rent free week in August when our collection rate improved as tenants still paid despite the reduced debit, we had a reduced collection in September. At 99.58% the collection rate was £220,000 off a 100% return. It is also slightly behind last year's position of 99.8%. Arrears as a % of debit is 2.45% against a target of 2% - this is £470,000 above where we need to be to hit the target. However as the debit reduced by 1% this year, this is an increasingly difficult target to attain. The numbers of Universal Credit cases continues to increase - with the total standing at just over 200, the arrears on these cases totals £109,014 currently. Equally the amount of Housing Benefit we receive continues to decrease, at a rate of approximately £20,000 each week. This means that we have more rent to actually physically collect from tenants. Although more people are coming off benefit they are taking up low paid jobs that are not permanent with regular hours and therefore their income is liable to fluctuate. This makes it difficult for people to budget and as a result we have increased arrears. Additionally there is still the problem of Court fees standing at £325 - as a consequence we are entering cases at a much higher level. Judges will often adjourn cases, allowing the debt to increase but Housing Benefit backdates are now severely restricted.</p>
<p>% of tenancies ending due to eviction</p> <p><i>Note: This PI monitors the percentage of tenants being evicted due to rent arrears and is reported citywide.</i></p>	0.45%	0.42%			0.43%	0.56%	<p>This indicator will be on target by the end of the financial year. WE are currently only 0.02% behind target and as we are not carrying out any further evictions during March we will be on target. We have done 101 evictions so far this year and at this point last year we had done 129.</p>

AC3-4a Empty properties - Average relet time









Performance indicator and definition	Target	2016/17			2015/16	2014/15	Latest Note
		Value	Status	Long Trend	Value	Value	
<p>Average void re-let time (calendar days) – AC - Aspley, Bilborough & Leen Valley</p> <p><i>Note: This PI measures how long it takes NCH to re-let empty properties from the end of the old tenancy to the start of the new tenancy</i></p>	25	23.65			22.18	24.25	See below
<p>Average void re-let time (calendar days) – Aspley Ward</p> <p><i>Note: This PI measures how long it takes NCH to re-let empty properties from the end of the old tenancy to the start of the new tenancy</i></p>	25	22.2			18.88	24.5	The target was achieved during this period.
<p>Average void re-let time (calendar days) – Bilborough Ward</p> <p><i>Note: This PI measures how long it takes NCH to re-let empty properties from the end of the old tenancy to the start of the new tenancy</i></p>	25	25.14			24.84	23.21	The target was missed by 0.14 days during this period.

<p>Average void re-let time (calendar days) – Leen Valley Ward</p> <p><i>Note: This PI measures how long it takes NCH to re-let empty properties from the end of the old tenancy to the start of the new tenancy</i></p>	25	22.4			23.12	27.78	The target was achieved during this period
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AC3-4b Empty properties - Lettable voids

Performance indicator and definition	Target	2016/17			2015/16	2014/15	Latest Note
		Value	Status	Long Trend	Value	Value	
Number of lettable voids – AC - Aspley, Bilborough & Leen Valley <i>Note: Lettable voids are empty properties available for re-letting. They will receive repair work and then be re-let to a new tenant.</i>		53			42	35	The number has increased by 11 during this period
Number of lettable voids – Aspley Ward <i>Note: Lettable voids are empty properties available for re-letting. They will receive repair work and then be re-let to a new tenant.</i>		29			18	11	The number has increased by 11 during this period
Number of lettable voids – Bilborough Ward <i>Note: Lettable voids are empty properties available for re-letting. They will receive repair work and then be re-let to a new tenant.</i>		19			20	17	The number has decreased by 1 during this period
Number of lettable voids – Leen Valley Ward <i>Note: Lettable voids are empty properties available for re-letting. They will receive repair work and then be re-let to a new tenant.</i>		5			4	7	The number has increased by 1 during this period

AC3-4c Empty properties - Decommissioning

Performance indicator and definition	Target	2016/17			2015/16	2014/15	Latest Note
		Value	Status	Long Trend	Value	Value	
Number of empty properties awaiting decommission – AC - Aspley, Bilborough & Leen Valley <i>Note: This PI shows the number of empty properties which will not be re-let and includes those being decommissioned and / or demolished.</i>		0			0	112	Not applicable
Number of empty properties awaiting decommission – Aspley Ward <i>Note: This PI shows the number of empty properties which will not be re-let and includes those being decommissioned and / or demolished.</i>		0			0	28	Not applicable
Number of empty properties awaiting decommission – Bilborough Ward <i>Note: This PI shows the number of empty properties which will not be re-let and includes those being decommissioned and / or demolished.</i>		0			0	84	Not applicable
Number of empty properties awaiting decommission – Leen Valley Ward <i>Note: This PI shows the number of empty properties which will not be re-let and includes those being decommissioned and / or demolished.</i>		0			0	0	Not applicable

AC3-5 Tenancy sustainment

Performance indicator and definition	Target	2016/17			2015/16	2014/15	Latest Note
		Value	Status	Long Trend	Value	Value	
Percentage of new tenancies sustained - AC - Aspley, Bilborough & Leen Valley <i>Note: This PI measures the number of new tenants who are still in their tenancy 12 months later.</i>	96.5%	95.51%			97.81%	97.35%	performance exceeds target which is pleasing in uncertain economic times
Percentage of new tenancies sustained - Aspley Ward <i>Note: This PI measures the number of new tenants who are still in their tenancy 12 months later.</i>	96.5%	94.76%			96.44%	97.65%	performance exceeds target which is pleasing in uncertain economic times
Percentage of new tenancies sustained - Bilborough Ward <i>Note: This PI measures the number of new tenants who are still in their tenancy 12 months later.</i>	96.5%	95.63%			99.02%	97.24%	performance exceeds target which is pleasing in uncertain economic times
Percentage of new tenancies sustained - Leen Valley Ward <i>Note: This PI measures the number of new tenants who are still in their tenancy 12 months later.</i>	96.5%	98.08%			100%	96%	performance exceeds target which is pleasing in uncertain economic times

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APPENDIX 3

Area	Ward	Actual Budget (including carry over from 2015/16)	Schemes Approved	Schemes Committed	Schemes De Committed	Remaining Budget
3	Aspley	£115,841.95	£115,159.82	£115,159.82	£0	£682.13
3	Bilborough	£264,413.23	£16,358.58	£16,358.58	£0	£248,059.65
3	Leen Valley	£45,026.07	£27,021.20	£27,021.20	£0	£18,004.87

Address	Request	Reason	Nottingham City Homes Officer	Cost	Approval
Wollaton Vale – Dentdale, Farndale and Wheeldale Drive	Upgrade the current dilapidated fencing with a new metal ball finial railing.	The current fencing is very old and poor in appearance and needs upgrading.	Leanne Hoban	£60,000.00	Approval
Denewood Crescent	Continue with the fencing upgrade project	The current fencing is very old and poor in appearance and needs upgrading.	Leanne Hoban	£50,000.00	Approval
Fircroft Avenue	Land clearance works	In preparation for future community projects to be considered at this site.	Leanne Hoban	£1804.40.	Approval
Ashwell Gardens	Upgrade the fencing to the large green space area from timber to metal.	Provide a welcoming entrance to the estate and make the area look smarter.	Leanne Hoban	£ 18001.48	Approval

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WEST AREA COMMITTEE – 15 FEBRUARY 2017

Title of paper:	WARD REPORTS	
Director(s)/ Corporate Director(s):	Dave Halstead Director of Neighbourhood Services	Wards affected: Aspley, Bilboough, Leen Valley
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Date of consultation with Portfolio Holder(s) (if relevant)	Councillor Graham Chapman 12 November 2015	
Relevant Council Plan Key Theme:		
Strategic Regeneration and Development		X
Schools		X
Planning and Housing		X
Community Services		X
Energy, Sustainability and Customer		X
Jobs, Growth and Transport		X
Adults, Health and Community Sector		X
Children, Early Intervention and Early Years		X
Leisure and Culture		X
Resources and Neighbourhood Regeneration		X
Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/service users):		
This report focusses on current priorities and issues facing the three wards within the West area and gives details of forthcoming events and activities. It also highlights the latest issues now being addressed through regular Neighbourhood Action Team (NAT) meetings.		
Recommendation(s):		
1	To note the progress on Ward priorities and other supporting information including the issues being addressed by each Neighbourhood Action Team (appendices 1-3)	
2	To note the progress made against existing Councillor pledges.	
3	To note the current performance data shown in Appendix 4	

1 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.1 Each Area Committee has agreed priorities which 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 for example

West Area Employment Hub. These priorities will be updated for each area committee, taking into account discussions at NAT meetings and various groups and activities involving Councillors, residents and local groups.

- 1.2 The events and activities detailed in the report take account of the work which all NDOs (Neighbourhood Development Officers) undertake with partner organisations within the wards. It shows a range of activity in place across neighbourhoods to improve social cohesion and tackle priorities at a ward and area level.
- 1.3 The Area Committee Chair has asked that the performance data produced by the Crime and Drugs Partnership should be reinstated and included as part of this report so that the area committee can monitor and comment on various data relating to crime and anti-social behaviour. This information is shown in Appendix 4 and can also be referred to as part of the Policing update on this agenda.

2 BACKGROUND (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)

- 2.1 Each Ward manages a set of priorities and key issues through regular meetings of the NAT. These meetings are led by NDOs and supported by core partners including Nottingham City Homes (NCH), Neighbourhood Policing, Community Protection, Early Help, City Services / Waste Management; Fire and Rescue Services and Health.
- 2.2 Ward Councillors are also invited to participate in these meetings.
- 2.3 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.
- 2.4 Ward reports also reflect some of the wider area concerns and priorities which have been either addressed previously through area committee or have been developed as part of the Area Cluster reviews. Some of these wider priorities such as health and employment will be taken forward through appropriate area focussed meetings.
- 2.5 The intention is to work towards a Ward Report which is consistent across all City wards. It will provide details of the pledges which Councillors have prioritised for their respective wards.
- 2.6 The previous Area Committee Priorities Action Plan will be incorporated within the ward plans to avoid any duplication.
- 2.7 Area Committee Chairs will be invited to review the latest Ward Reports to ensure that the format is accessible for Councillors and community representatives and there is sufficient consistency across all areas.
- 2.8 The current individual Ward priorities for Aspley, Bilborough and Leen Valley are shown in Appendix 1, 2 and 3 respectively and will be updated for each Area Committee.

2.9 The ward priorities also make reference to a number of development sites which are listed within the Neighbourhood Regeneration Strategy document – Building a Better Nottingham.

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 3 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.

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Appendix 1 – Aspley Ward Report

Aspley Ward priorities

Safer Nottingham

Priority (NAT)	Lead	Progress since last area committee
Tackling ASB, drugs and criminal damage	Neighbourhood Policing, NAT	

Neighbourhood Nottingham

Priority - NAT, Nottingham Regeneration Strategy (NRS)	Lead	Progress since last area committee
Maintain 4* rating by NCH tenant inspectors (The rating now includes opportunities for involvement, partnership working alongside the cleanliness of the estate)	Nottingham City Homes	Carried out multi-agency clean sweeps.
NCH tenants benefited from the Governments Community Energy Saving Programme with the internal wall installation (NRS)	Nottingham City Homes	Next phase of wall insulation programme has been identified.
Joint Service Centre proposed for Strelley Road for the West Area, including, Housing Office , Library and Stepney Court (31 Independent Living Scheme units)	Nottingham City Homes	Work has started on site.
Improve visual appearance of neighbourhoods: i) Improve cleanliness in ward; ii) Tackle grot spots; iii)Overgrown hedges and untidy gardens	Neighbourhood Services	Clean Up activity with City Services, NCH, Councillors and Community Protection on Welstead Road and area - Friday 14 th October. Also 70 warning letters issued for overgrown gardens and waste left in gardens.
Reduce incidents of dog fouling on streets	Community Protection	September / October - there were 5 plain clothes dog operations. Also We are Watching You Campaign scheduled for February 2017.

Families Nottingham

Priority (NAT)	Lead	Progress since last area committee
Embed Family Support Strategy via use of Family Support Pathway at a Ward Level	Children and Families	
Work with Partners to improve early intervention with Families increasing use of CAF, referral routes into Family Community Team Family Support services and workforce development	Children and Families	
Increase awareness and engagement of the impact on children and young people of domestic violence	Crime and Drugs Partnership Children and Families	Sexual violence and domestic violence sub working group has been created through the NAT.
Review approaches to delivering services for Children and young people living within the Aspley Ward		

Health Nottingham

Priority (Area Committee priority and Area Cluster)	Lead	Progress since last area committee
Sexual Health	Health	
Alcohol / or smoking (Community groups/Cllrs and NAT to decide of the two)	Health	
Mental health or Child and Adult Obesity (Community groups/Cllrs and NAT to decide of the two)	Health	

Working Nottingham

Priority (Area Committee Priority and Area Cluster)	Lead	Progress since last area committee
Jobs and training initiatives – to be identified Promote Work Club at Aspley Library Jobs Fair in Aspley <i>Nottingham Regeneration Strategy</i>	NCC – Employment and Skills Groundwork Greater Nottingham tbc	Groundwork jobs trailer to different locations in Aspley on Friday 9 th and 16 th December.

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

Dog fouling – Seaton Crescent and Melbourne Park (Community Protection actions previously in place to address this).
 Reported incidents of Graffiti continue to be high
 Thefts from sheds
 Parking Schemes (new parking bays constructed on Broxtowe Lane - next project likely be Allendale Avenue)
 Development of Pocket Park on Frinton Road
 Ex Barley Corn site – site proposals being developed

Opportunities for citizens to engage - Forthcoming dates, events / activities, Ward Walks

Ward Walk (Broxtowe Beat) – Monday 23 January 10am – 1.00pm (meet at Denton Green Community Centre)
 Ward Walk (Aspley Beat) – Monday 27 March 10.30am -12.30pm (meet at Bankwood Close)

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Appendix 2 - Bilborough Ward Report

Safer Nottingham

Priority (NAT)	Lead	Progress since last area committee
Promote Nottingham Alert and Neighbourhood Watch schemes	Police	
Reduce crime and Anti-social behaviour	Neighbourhood Action Team (NAT)	CCTV on Melford Road to support Police.
To continue to reduce accidental fires by working with older people	Fire Service	They have reduced this year compared to last. Fire Service to attend Older Person's Event in Bilborough in September
Reduce speeding in the ward	Police	Speed operations carried out. 20mph Roundels to be added to Birchover Road 2017 to help reduce speeding.

Neighbourhood Nottingham

Priority (NAT, NRS)	Lead	Progress since last area committee
Improve appearance of neighbourhoods /gardens/hedges To achieve 4 stars by improved appearance of properties and gardens to increase community pride.	Nottingham City Homes (NCH) & City Services	Second round of hedge cutting. November to March clearing leaves from shrubs and flower beds.warning letters for overgrown gardens and waste.
48 New homes being built on Cranwell Estate. (NRS)	Nottingham City homes	Homes are in the process of completion
Joint Service Centre proposed for Strelley Road for the West Area. Including, Housing Office , Library & Stepney Court, 31 Independent Living Scheme (NRS)	Nottingham City Council & Nottingham City Homes	Work has started on the site.
The neighbourhood to be as clean as the City Centre Improved street and open spaces by reduction in rubbish litter and fly tips.	City Services and community protection (CPO)	Scores have been high over the last few months. Bilborough scored 86% in November & December . Clean Up on Bracebridge Drive January 17 th 2017.

In November 2015 Nottingham was voted 'Britain's Cleanest City' by the Chartered Institute for Waste Management . We aim to maintain this award in 2017. (NRS)	City Services.	Deep cleans in the Ward to be scheduled. One on January 17 th , 2017.
Hundreds of NCH houses are being 'clad 'to improve warmth of homes.	NCH	540 homes will be completed next year
Car Parking	Parking	Parking Survey completed Autumn 2016. Councillors to meet & discuss solutions Jan 2017.
Look at possible solutions to parking problems across the ward, especially around schools	Parking Enforcement/ NAT	As above
Target litter, dog fouling and fly tipping	NAT and CPO	November and December plain clothes operations carried out. Fixed Penalty Notices for litter. We Area Watching You Campaign – leaflet drop on Bramerton, Monkton and Staverton roads (September)
Promote bulky waste appointment service	CPO	Ward Walks and Clean Ups
Promote community litter pick events with schools, and residents	NAT	Invite the community and schools to join in the Bracebridge Drive Clean Up.
Continue to support Community Cohesion through events and engagement	Neighbourhood Management	Planning an event with Bluecoat Beechdale School for autumn term
Glaisdale Drive Industrial Employment Area (300,000 sq ft) employment hub within smaller units to provide ladder of accommodation to existing industrial estate. (NRS)	NCC	

Families Nottingham

Priority (NAT)	Lead	Progress since last area committee
Promote activities for children and young people	Early Help and Bilborough Youth Network	Partners promoting termly and holiday activities.
Further priorities for 2016/17 – to be reviewed	Early Help Team	
Welfare Reform Awareness Promote services in the ward offering advice and guidance sessions on finance and debt management	Welfare Rights, NCH and NAT	Welfare Advice sessions at the Bilborough Library and Bilborough Medical Centre.

Health Nottingham

Priority (Area Committee priority and Area Cluster)	Lead	Progress since last area committee
Promote Harvey Hadden Sports Village to support residents fitness and health increase physical activity including cycling and walking projects	NAT partners and leisure services	On going promotion Promote 'Get Out & Get Active' event at Harvey Hadden 25 th January '17.
Reduce Cardio-Vascular Disease and raise awareness of lifestyle risk factors	Health	Older People's Event September '16 promoted healthy life styles and risks.
Raise awareness about cancer screening	Health	Raise awareness at events
Signpost to free health activities e.g. slimming world and 'Go for it'	Health	Raise awareness at events
Support Older People's ability to remain independent , fit and healthy	Health	Groundwork, taking the lead on the follow up on how best to support older people.

Working Nottingham

Priority (Area Committee priority and Area Cluster)	Lead	Progress since last area committee
Jobs and training initiatives Promote IT courses at the Bilborough Library	NCC – Employment and Skills	IT Courses for adults promoted through sessions.
Promote Nottingham North Jobs Fair March 3 rd at Bulwell Riverside	Groundwork & NAT Partners	Promote through Bilborough NAT & contacts, Face Book etc.
Promote Work Club at Bilborough Library		Groundwork promote at Clean Up on Bracebridge Drive Jan'17.
Business support teams working with businesses (light hi-tech engineering, distribution) on Glaisdale Drive, Blenheim Industrial Estate to support proposals & development for future growth (NRS)	NCC	

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

- Parking Survey for whole of Bilborough Ward to be discussed with Councillors January 2017.
- Work with NAT partners to support Police with ASB on Melford Road.
- Support community events and activities for children and young people and the community.
- Support Community Protection by promoting 'We Are Watching You' to promote reporting dog poo.
- Promote Work Club and skills and training courses and opportunities. Groundwork invited to attend ward walks.

Opportunities for citizens to engage - Forthcoming dates, events / activities, Ward Walks

- Ward Walks: January 17th 2017 Bracebridge Drive and March 7th venue tbc
- West Area Budget Consultation at Bluecoat School Aspley Site 6-8pm
- Bracebridge Drive Clean Up with 'mini' Budget Consultation & Information Stall at Coop January 17th 2017

Appendix 3 - Leen Valley Ward Report

Safer Nottingham

Priority (NAT)	Lead	Progress since last area committee
Reduce crime and Anti-social behaviour	NAT	Targeted interventions around Kennington Road – increased patrolling, ward walk 19 th January, planning for school / community event in March, NCH environmental scheme (hard landscaping of small front garden areas). Development of local CCTV strategy – locations prioritised through the monthly Neighbourhood Action Team (NAT). New camera unit installed on Ainsley estate and residents encouraged to report incidents through 101 number.

Neighbourhood Nottingham

Priority (NAT, Ward Councillor pledges, NRS)	Lead	Progress since last area committee
Support Community groups and organisations to hold events - to hold 5 events and / or activities during 2017	Neighbourhood Management	18 January - budget Consultation and residents meeting - Bluecoat school (Aspley Lane campus) Southwold Primary school – community event (March) Day of Action – 1 March 2017 Melbourne Park – summer programme (in progress)
Promote interest in Tenants and Residents groups and Friends Groups	Nottingham City Homes	Southwold Tenants and Residents – STAR (early stages) Friends of Melbourne Park (regular meetings) New Whitemoor Tenants and Residents (residents involved) Beechdale Local Action Group (regular meetings) Ainsley Residents – 2 new meetings in place (March / May)
Redevelopment of Beechdale Baths	Regeneration	Internal demolition works until early 2017.
Bobbers Mill and Wilkinson Street sites – flood alleviation works	Regeneration Planning	

Development of former Government land at Chalfont Drive	Planning	Residents have voiced their concerns at the January Beechdale Local Action Group and have asked City Council to co-ordinate a meeting with the developers.
Melbourne Park developments	Parks	Information board was installed in January; complete Pavilion refurbishment programme (through the successful WREN funding bid) by summer 2017; Continue to work with Aspley YMCA to promote activities and events.
Target litter, dog fouling and fly tipping	NAT	Community Protection have targeted litter around new McDonalds site at Bobbersmill.
Community litter pick events with schools and residents	NAT	To be developed through local schools network. Day of Action – 1 March 2017
Identify solutions for derelict and undeveloped sites	Regeneration Planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PZ Cussons Site, off Wilkinson Street • Bobbersmill site • Ascott Drive – NCHA scheme in progress • Beechdale Baths – Demolition in progress
Improve parking around schools to reduce all day parking	Traffic Management	Lambert Street Traffic Regulation Order approved.
Robert Shaw Playing Fields site	Robert Shaw School, NCC	Forthcoming resident meetings will gauge level of local interest in this site. Gaps in palisade fencing repaired.
Ashwell Gardens fencing scheme	Nottingham City Homes	Phase 1 metal fencing snags have been addressed. Complete Phase 2 fencing scheme by July 2017.

Families Nottingham

Priority (NAT)	Lead	Progress since last area committee
Sustain existing weekly youth group on Whitemoor estate – look to engage more with young people from Ainsley estate	Children and Families Team	Numbers have increased. Half term activities planned and Youth team will promote the group more around the New Whitemoor estate
Youth provision – Ainsley estate		A few attend weekly provision at New Whitemoor.
Vine Community Centre – promote activities to support eastern European families	Neighbourhood Management	Management / administration capacity has been renewed enabling funding bids to be developed
Improve provision for toddlers at Kennington	Parks	Consultation in progress (January – March 2017)

Health Nottingham

Priority (Area Committee priority and Area Cluster)	Lead	Progress since last area committee
Reduce Cardio-Vascular Disease	Health	Raise awareness at events
increase physical activity including cycling	Health	
Signpost to free health activities e.g. slimming	Health	Raise awareness at events
Sustain current City ambitions around cycling	Travelright	

Working Nottingham

Priority (Area Committee priority and Area Cluster, Ward Councillor pledges)	Lead	Progress since last area committee
To support 51 young people through the Step into Work Programme	Employment and Skills, Groundwork	
Organise 2 events in 2017 at Southwold Primary school to promote jobs and training opportunities for local residents.	Neighbourhood Development Officer / NAT	Coffee morning Hubs to be set up in February / March. Groundwork jobs trailer and team are supporting.
To create jobs and training opportunities through the Chalfont Drive housing scheme		

List of key current issues (taken from latest NAT Review / January 2017)

- Sustain youth club activities at New Whitemoor Baptist Church – February half term activities
- Plantation Side grass banks – working with residents to maintain cleanliness standards
- Kennington Road play area – parks carrying out consultations (January – March) for new play equipment
- Melbourne Friends of Park Group – continues to develop through regular meetings and practical sessions

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

- Tuesday 31 January 2017 (6.30pm) - New Whitemoor Tenants and Residents Association, Naburn Court
- Ainsley Residents Group– 13 March and 15 May (4.30 – 5.45pm) Robert Shaw Primary School, Southfield Road
- Ward Walks (Thursdays / 2.00pm) – 19 January (Kennington Road estate), 16 February, 20 April, 18 May, 15 June
- Wednesday 8 February and 19 April (6.00pm) – Melbourne Park Friends Group - Aspley YMCA
- Kennington Road area – developing Coffee morning Hub for parents with Southwold Primary and Groundwork (dates tbc)

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SUMMARY PERFORMANCE REPORT

AREA 3

Aspley, Bilborough & Leen Valley

Area Total	Category	Apr-16	May-16	Jun-16	Jul-16	Aug-16	Sep-16	Oct-16	Nov-16	Dec-16	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17	Year To Date				YTD Rates	
														2015-16	2016-17	Vol +/-	% Change	2015-16	2016-17
Area Committee 3	All Crime	218	271	225	262	261	309	406						1997	1952	-45	-2%	44.26	43.27
	Victim Based Crime	192	235	204	232	228	269	329						1774	1689	-85	-5%	39.32	37.44
	Criminal Damage	37	30	30	47	41	42	71						345	298	-47	-14%	7.65	6.61
	Theft	42	61	47	40	50	47	45						361	332	-29	-8%	8.00	7.36
	Dwelling Burglary	12	9	13	19	19	20	14						96	106	10	10%	2.13	2.35
	Violence	55	94	65	79	74	111	141						601	619	18	3%	13.32	13.72
	<i>Domestic Violence</i>	23	36	29	34	32	44	48						231	246	15	6%	5.12	5.45
	<i>NTE Violence</i>	1	2	2	2	6	3	4						5	20	15	300%	0.11	0.44
	<i>Other Violence</i>	31	56	34	43	36	64	89						365	353	-12	-3%	8.09	7.82
	ASB	183	239	222	243	238	206	168						1522	1499	-23	-2%	33.74	33.23
	<i>Noise</i>	70	65	58	76	80	49	38						518	436	-82	-16%	11.48	9.66
	<i>Youth</i>	67	72	64	78	75	62	65						423	483	60	14%	9.38	10.71
	<i>Alcohol</i>	24	32	26	21	23	16	18						165	160	-5	-3%	3.66	3.55
Ave. Qrt Score	Deliberate Fires	0	7	2	3	6	4							59	22	-37	-63%	1.31	0.49
	Cleanliness Score	87.33	88	89.33	89.67	87	87							88	88	0	0%	N/A	N/A
	Graffiti (reactive)	36	6	6	19	10	7							34	82	48	141%	0.75	1.82
	Fly-Tipping (reactive)	51	41	50	40	38	30							161	247	86	53%	3.57	5.47
	Dog Fouling (reactive)	63	42	41	26	20	22							75	206	131	175%	1.66	4.57
	Unemployment	1140	1145	1125	1165	1185	1185							7665	6945	-720	-9%	169.90	153.94

This report has been produced by the CDP pursuant to a brief provided by Neighbourhood Services. Please contact Daniel Dexter if you have any queries regarding the data.
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Ward	Category	Apr-16	May-16	Jun-16	Jul-16	Aug-16	Sep-16	Oct-16	Nov-16	Dec-16	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17	Year To Date				YTD Rates	
		2015-16	2016-17	Vol +/-	% Change	2015-16	2016-17												
Aspley	All Crime	96	124	100	121	109	133	159						817	842	25	3%	46.36	47.78
	Victim Based Crime	87	105	94	105	96	113	134						715	734	19	3%	40.57	41.65
	Criminal Damage	21	12	15	24	25	20	27						151	144	-7	-5%	8.57	8.17
	Theft	19	28	24	17	17	22	18						161	145	-16	-10%	9.14	8.23
	Dwelling Burglary	4	5	5	11	5	4	3						30	37	7	23%	1.70	2.10
	Violence	27	40	33	38	31	51	65						240	285	45	19%	13.62	16.17
	Domestic Violence	12	18	10	19	13	22	27						98	121	23	23%	5.56	6.87
	NTE Violence	0	0	0	1	2	0	1						0	4	4		0.00	0.23
	Other Violence	15	22	23	18	16	29	37						142	160	18	13%	8.06	9.08
	ASB	84	108	100	100	100	89	67						586	648	62	11%	33.25	36.77
	Noise	32	27	26	35	27	19	14						188	180	-8	-4%	10.67	10.21
	Youth	31	29	33	33	31	23	28						150	208	58	39%	8.51	11.80
Alcohol	5	13	12	9	3	5	6						53	53	0	0%	3.01	3.01	
Ave. Qrt Score	Deliberate Fires	0	4	2	1	3	1							17	11	-6	-35%	0.96	0.62
	Cleanliness Score	88	88	92	90	87	87							87	89	2	2%	N/A	N/A
	Graffiti (reactive)	19	2	3	17	4	1							18	46	28	156%	1.02	2.61
	Fly-Tipping (reactive)	35	20	27	24	18	11							67	135	68	101%	3.80	7.66
	Dog Fouling (reactive)	29	22	17	12	13	4							18	97	79	439%	1.02	5.50
	Unemployment	575	565	560	600	600	600							3938	3500	-438	-11%	223.47	198.62

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Ward	Category	Apr-16	May-16	Jun-16	Jul-16	Aug-16	Sep-16	Oct-16	Nov-16	Dec-16	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17	Year To Date				YTD Rates	
		2015-16	2016-17	Vol +/-	% Change	2015-16	2016-17												
Bilborough	All Crime	72	95	75	88	108	115	154						737	707	-30	-4%	43.89	42.10
	Victim Based Crime	64	84	65	79	93	102	119						665	606	-59	-9%	39.60	36.09
	Criminal Damage	13	11	9	12	11	15	32						138	103	-35	-25%	8.22	6.13
	Theft	14	20	9	12	18	11	12						108	96	-12	-11%	6.43	5.72
	Dwelling Burglary	5	2	5	5	12	12	4						36	45	9	25%	2.14	2.68
	Violence	17	36	20	29	32	47	52						236	233	-3	-1%	14.05	13.88
	Domestic Violence	6	13	13	11	16	18	15						99	92	-7	-7%	5.90	5.48
	NTE Violence	0	2	1	0	2	2	1						2	8	6	300%	0.12	0.48
	Other Violence	11	21	6	18	14	27	36						135	133	-2	-1%	8.04	7.92
	ASB	75	84	69	99	102	92	64						654	585	-69	-11%	38.95	34.84
	Noise	34	29	23	32	40	25	11						232	194	-38	-16%	13.82	11.55
	Youth	27	22	10	25	32	27	28						189	171	-18	-10%	11.26	10.18
Alcohol	10	11	8	8	16	8	9						68	70	2	3%	4.05	4.17	
Ave. Qrt Score	Deliberate Fires	0	1	0	0	2	2							22	5	-17	-77%	1.31	0.30
	Cleanliness Score	86	87	90	91	86	86							89	88	-1	-1%	N/A	N/A
	Graffiti (reactive)	7	2	0	1	3	4							5	17	12	240%	0.30	1.01
	Fly-Tipping (reactive)	8	9	11	9	15	11							55	63	8	15%	3.28	3.75
	Dog Fouling (reactive)	30	16	24	12	5	7							43	94	51	119%	2.56	5.60
	Unemployment	375	395	380	385	400	400							2582	2335	-247	-10%	153.76	139.05

Ward	Category	Apr-16	May-16	Jun-16	Jul-16	Aug-16	Sep-16	Oct-16	Nov-16	Dec-16	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17	Year To Date				YTD Rates	
														2015-16	2016-17	Vol +/-	% Change	2015-16	2016-17
Leen Valley	All Crime	50	52	50	53	44	61	93						443	403	-40	-9%	41.39	37.66
	Victim Based Crime	41	46	45	48	39	54	76						394	349	-45	-11%	36.82	32.61
	Criminal Damage	3	7	6	11	5	7	12						56	51	-5	-9%	5.23	4.77
	Theft	9	13	14	11	15	14	15						92	91	-1	-1%	8.60	8.50
	Dwelling Burglary	3	2	3	3	2	4	7						30	24	-6	-20%	2.80	2.24
	Violence	11	18	12	12	11	13	24						125	101	-24	-19%	11.68	9.44
	<i>Domestic Violence</i>	5	5	6	4	3	4	6						34	33	-1	-3%	3.18	3.08
	<i>NTE Violence</i>	1	0	1	1	2	1	2						3	8	5	167%	0.28	0.75
	<i>Other Violence</i>	5	13	5	7	6	8	16						88	60	-28	-32%	8.22	5.61
	ASB	24	47	53	44	36	25	37						282	266	-16	-6%	26.35	24.86
	<i>Noise</i>	4	9	9	9	13	5	13						98	62	-36	-37%	9.16	5.79
	<i>Youth</i>	9	21	21	20	12	12	9						84	104	20	24%	7.85	9.72
	<i>Alcohol</i>	9	8	6	4	4	3	3						44	37	-7	-16%	4.11	3.46
Ave. Qrt Score	Deliberate Fires	0	2	0	2	1	1							20	6	-14	-70%	1.87	0.56
	Cleanliness Score	88	89	86	88	88	88							90	88	-2	-2%	N/A	N/A
	Graffiti (reactive)	10	2	3	1	3	2							11	19	8	73%	1.03	1.78
	Fly-Tipping (reactive)	8	12	12	7	5	8							39	49	10	26%	3.64	4.58
	Dog Fouling (reactive)	4	4	0	2	2	11							14	15	1	7%	1.31	1.40
Unemployment	190	185	185	180	185	185							1145	1110	-35	-3%	106.99	103.72	

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