

NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

BASFORD AND BESTWOOD AREA COMMITTEE

MINUTES of the meeting held at LB 31-32 - Loxley House, Station Street, Nottingham, NG2 3NG on 6 June 2018 from 4.30 pm - 6.15 pm

Membership

Present

Councillor Brian Grocock
Councillor Linda Woodings
Councillor Georgia Power
Councillor Nick Raine (Chair)

Absent

Councillor Cat Arnold

Colleagues, partners and others in attendance:

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1 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

RESOLVED to appoint Councillor Raine as Chair for the remainder of the municipal year 2018-19.

2 APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR

RESOLVED to appoint Councillor Smith as Vice-Chair.

3 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Arnold - other Council business

Dale Griffin (Neighbourhood Development Officer)
Daniel Pickard (Area Housing Manager, Nottingham City Homes)

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

None.

5 MINUTES

The Committee confirmed the minutes of the meeting held on 06 December 2017 as a correct record and they were signed by the Chair.

6 AREA COMMITTEE COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES

RESOLVED to appoint the following as Area Committee representatives for the Basford and Bestwood areas for the remainder of the municipal year 2018-19:

Chris Easton - **Bestwood Anglican and Methodist Churches**
John Hales - **Stockhill and Ladbroke Tenants and Residents**
(SALTAR)
Michael Savage - **Friends of Rona Court**

7 POLICE AND COMMUNITY PROTECTION UPDATE

Inspectors Christine Busuttil and Gordon Fenwick, Nottinghamshire Police, and Darryl Paxford, Senior Community Protection Officer, updated the Committee on Policing matters in the wards, including crime and arrest figures, local initiatives to address crime and anti-social behaviour and current Police / Community Protection areas of focus.

During discussion, the following comments were made:

- Councillors were happy to fund public events in local venues where the Police and Community Protection could discuss issues etc with local people;
- if there are issues with speeding in 20mph areas, drug use / sales in local parks etc, the community should forward evidence to the Police so they can take action;
- Councillors complimented Officers on the increase in the number of issued fines for dog-fouling.

RESOLVED to note the update.

8 NOTTINGHAM OPEN SPACES FORUM (NOSF)

Martin Willis, Nottingham Open Spaces Forum (NOSF) presented the report, introducing the Committee to the work being done by the Forum. He highlighted the following points:

- (a) NOSF had recently become a registered charity and acted as a forum to bring together groups and community initiatives dedicated to looking after the open spaces within Nottingham;
- (b) the forum acted as a support network for small and medium sized groups and offered help identifying and applying for different funding streams;
- (c) the forum was also able to help smaller groups identify and gain insurance for community events, encouraging more events in the City's open spaces.

RESOLVED to note the report and endorse the work of the NOSF.

9 PARKS & OPEN SPACES INVESTMENT PLANS

Martin Harris, Parks Senior Technical Officer, presented the report on the Parks and Open Spaces Investment Plans, highlighting the following points:

- (a) the plan allows Nottingham City Council to demonstrate an ongoing need for investment in Nottingham City's parks and open spaces to developers and other sources of funding;
- (b) the plans have been drawn up in consultation with ward Councillors and allow for quick identification of schemes when funding becomes available;
- (c) the plan will be updated annually to reflect the changing need for investment within the area.

During discussion the following comments were made:

- the schemes in the plan are not listed in any order of priority and others can be added to the plans on an area by area basis;
- alterations and amendments to the plan can be made / suggested by local people / groups and fed back to the Parks and Open Spaces Team.

RESOLVED that the investment / improvement plan, as detailed in the appendix to the report, be endorsed.

10 ISSUES FROM COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES

No issues were raised.

11 AREA BASED GRANTS

Gary Cawthorne, Bestwood Partnerships, presented the following information:

- Quarter 4 2017/18 (01 Jan to 31 March 2018) monitoring report;
- Annual End of Year Report 2017/18;
- Forward Plan 2018/19.

RESOLVED to note the 2017/18 performance and the forward plan for 2018/19, and to record the thanks of the Committee to Mr Cawthorne for the excellent outcomes against targets from 2017/18 and the transparency of his reports.

12 NOTTINGHAM CITY HOMES - UPDATE

Due to receipt of an apology for absence from Daniel Pickard, Area Housing Manager, the following pre-prepared information was read to the Committee on his behalf:

- 'Grander Design' improvement works are continuing across the area and have started at Masson Court, and Housing Patch Managers, in consultation with 'Decent Neighbourhoods', are looking for new proposals;
- at the recent Housing Awards event (the equivalent of housing Oscars), NCH won 3 awards, including 'UK Landlord of the Year' and 'Outstanding Approach to Tenant Involvement';

- Daniel has been successful in his bid to become the permanent Area Housing Manager for the area;
- new builds have been completed at Amber Hill, Gautries Close and Hazel Hill (x2) and these are all currently out for let. There are also plans for new builds at East Glade, Poplar Heights, Padstow and Beckhampton included in the Corporate Local Plan;
- local satisfaction in regard to anti-social behaviour, in a recent survey, was the highest it has ever been at 88%;
- the new Corporate Plan includes creating '5-star estates', so there is work ongoing currently to make them safe and happy places to live;
- garden competition entries must be submitted by the closing date of 20 June;
- Bulwell Academy is holding a 'Fun Day' on Saturday 15 September.

RESOLVED to note the information.

13 AREA CAPITAL FUND - 2018/19 PROGRAMME

Gursharan Singh Nijran, Neighbourhood Development Officer, presented the report, which detailed the spend during 2017/18 and the latest spend proposals under the Fund for 2018/19.

RESOLVED

- (1) to note the spend for 2017/18;
- (2) to approve the following schemes from the 2018/19 available funds:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Scheme</u>	<u>Cost (£)</u>
<u>Basford - LTP</u>		
Lauriston Drive	Hand rail	5,300
Basford area	Lining schemes	25,000
Heathfield/Arnold Road	Road safety study	2,351
Harmston Rise	Road signs	1,068
B682	Road safety study	5,000
<u>Basford - Public realm (PR)</u>		
No schemes	N/A	N/A
LTP c/f 2017/18		46,440
PR c/f 2017/18		7,296
2018/19 LTP allocation		64,900
2018/19 PR allocation		<u>24,896</u>

		Total available	143,532
		Less LTP schemes above	38,719
		Remaining balance	104,813
<u>Bestwood - LTP</u>			
Ridgeway Walk	Install bollards		4,800
Ridgeway/Old Farm Road	Install tactile crossings		4,000
Bewcastle Road area	Install tactile crossings		13,000
Queens Bower Road	Reconstruct footpath		66,612
<u>Bestwood - Public realm (PR)</u>			
Leybourne Drive	General improvements		6,823
Queens Bower Road	Reconstruct footpath		14,352
		LTP c/f 2017/18	13,012
		PR c/f 2017/18	43
		2018/19 LTP allocation	75,400
		2018/19 PR allocation	28,928
		Total available	117,383
		Less LTP schemes above	88,412
		Less PR schemes above	21,175
		Remaining balance	7,796

14 WARD COUNCILLOR BUDGET

Gursharan Singh Nijran, Neighbourhood Development Officer, presented the report, which detailed decisions taken by the Director of Neighbourhood services under delegated authority since the last meeting.

RESOLVED to note the following 2017/18 schemes, the 2018/19 funding allocation of £5,000 to each ward Councillor and the available funds for 2018/19 schemes:

<u>Basford</u>	<u>Amount</u> <u>(£)</u>
Hoodwinked (city-wide)	500
NG Community Hub residential	750
Highbury Vale Easter sports	600
c/f 2016/17	5,601
2017/18 allocation	15,000
De-committed	1,141

Total allocated at 31/03/2018	6,465
Total unallocated at 31/03/2018	15,277
c/f 2017/18	15,277
2018/19 allocation	15,000
De-committed	0
Total allocated at 27/04/2018	0
Total unallocated at 27/04/2018 (for 2018/19 schemes)	30,277

Bestwood

Parent and toddler group	500
Bestwood Partnership Wellbeing course	100
Maythorne Walk - grit bin	526
Hoodwinked (city-wide)	250

c/f 2016/17	5,936
2017/18 allocation	15,000
De-committed	5,000
Total allocated at 31/03/2018	22,706
Total unallocated at 31/03/2018	3,230
c/f 2017/18	3,230
2018/19 allocation	15,000
De-committed	0
Total allocated at 27/04/2018	0
Total unallocated at 27/04/2018 (for 2018/19 schemes)	18,230

15 WARD REPORTS

Gursharan Singh Nijran, Neighbourhood Development Officer, presented the report, which for both wards detailed priorities and issues, notified forthcoming events and highlighted issues being addressed via Neighbourhood Action Team meetings.

RESOLVED to note the report.

16 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

RESOLVED that the Committee will meet at Loxley House, NG2 3NG, at 4.30pm on the following Wednesdays during the municipal year 2018/19:

2018

12 September

05 December

2019

06 March