

# Nottingham City Council

## Dales, Mapperley and St Ann's Area Committee

Minutes of the meeting held remotely via Zoom -

<https://www.youtube.com/user/NottCityCouncil> on 8 September 2020 from 6.02 pm - 7.13 pm

### Membership

#### Present

Councillor Sajid Mohammed (Vice Chair)  
Councillor Leslie Ayoola  
Councillor Rosemary Healy  
Councillor Gul Nawaz Khan  
Councillor Dave Liversidge  
Councillor Chantal Lee  
Councillor David Mellen

#### Absent

Councillor Sue Johnson  
Councillor Neghat Khan

### Community Representatives (✓ indicates present at the meeting)

Alisdair Butler - Mapperley Park Residents Association  
Yasser Farook - Muslim Community Organisation Nottingham (MCO)  
Greg Feltham - Sneinton Tenants and Residents Association (STARA)  
Noel Martin - Prettier Whittier  
Gina Mollett - Backlit Gallery  
Carlton Napier - Afro Caribbean National Artistic Centre (ACNA)  
Debbie Webster - St Ann's Advice Centre  
Pete Wright - Sneinton Tenants Outreach Programme (STOP TRA)

### Colleagues, partners and others in attendance:

Greg Foister - Neighbourhood Development Officer  
Inspector James Walker - Nottinghamshire Police  
Luke Walters - Nottingham City Homes  
David Scothern - Principle Enforcement Officer  
Kate Morris - Governance Officer

### 1 Apologies

Councillor Sue Johnson - Unwell  
Councillor Neghat Khan - Council Business

Lysle-Anne Renwick, Neighbourhood Development Officer  
Pete Wright, Community Representative

### 2 Declarations of Interests

None

### 3 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 3 March 2020 were confirmed as a true record and were signed by the Chair.

### 4 Covid Response Updates

#### 4a Area Policing Update

Inspector James Walker of Nottinghamshire Police gave a verbal update on policing in the area, comparing year to date statistics detailed in the table below. Where a large percentage increase is seen, the actual number of crimes is shown in brackets.

	St Ann's	Mapperley and Wells	Sneinton and Dales	Force	City
All Crime	- 7%	-1.7%	+ 6.3%	-21.4%	-23.8%
Violence with injury	No change	-15.6%	+20.9% <b>(19)</b>	-22.8%	-23.3%
Robbery	+88.9% <b>(8)</b>	No change	+18.2% <b>(2)</b>	-37.3%	- 33.7%
Burglary	-4.8%	-23.9%	+ 9.5% <b>(4)</b>	-31.1%	- 20.7 %
Theft	- 22.3%	-9.8%	- 33%	-37 %	- 39 %
Vehicle Offences	-34.1%	-36.2%	- 23.6%	-36.1%	- 41.1 %
Drugs	- 9.6%	-41.7%	+ 4.2%	-11%	- 33.3 %
Hate	+21.2 %	+110% <b>(11)</b>	+ 103.3% <b>(39)</b>	+1.8%	+ 3 %
ASB	+ 46.8%	113.5%	+ 31.7%	+56.2%	+42.9%

During discussion, the following points were highlighted:

- (a) There has been a general decrease in total crime across the city since the introduction of lockdown in March. This is now beginning to increase again as lockdown eases. Sneinton has been the only ward with an increase in crime figures, but this is down to specific spate of hate incidents between two neighbours. All hate incidents are recorded on the system whether a crime has been committed or not;
- (b) There has also been a rise in the number of Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) reports cross the board as breaches of Covid regulations are recorded as such;
- (c) Two people have been arrested and charged with a total of 42 robbery offences, these are from across the city, 18 of which were in the south area. The spike in robbery offences is likely to have been as a result of offending by these two individuals;
- (d) An arrest was made and charges brought against an offender accused of burglary, this person has been recalled to prison and Nottinghamshire Police are working with the Probation services to ensure the individual is not released

back to the Sneinton area where offending was causing a spike in burglary incidents;

- (e) There were a number of incidents that targeted the Sultania Mosque in Sneinton. The first incident was a letter, sent to a number of mosques across the city in May of this year. CID investigated this and a fingerprint was found on one of the letters, an arrest was made and further investigations carried out. The Sultania Mosque was then target by offenders throwing used nappies and other items into the car park, however there have been no further incidents reported since this time;
- (f) The spike in overall crime in Sneinton is as a result of a small number of offenders. Arrests made recently will impact this going forward. There has also been a high incident of hate incidents as a result of a particularly acrimonious neighbour dispute ongoing;
- (g) Work is still ongoing to enforce social distancing rules. Police and CPO's are engaging with the public, explaining policy and encouraging people to stick to guidance. Enforcement is the last option. Patrols of parks have had to be reduced as crime increased following the easing of lockdown, but CPO's continue patrols in public places.
- (h) Victoria Centre crime figures are not included within these figures. Those will be sent through to Councillors who requested them at the meeting;
- (i) ASB continues to be tackled at King Edward Park. A Dispersal Order has been issued for the area, requiring people to move on and not congregate. PCSO's are regularly patrolling the area;
- (j) There have been a number of lockdown parties that have been taking place, particularly in St Ann's and Sneinton. These not only cause a public health risk, but there is increased risk of violent offences at these events. Nottinghamshire Police are working closely with landlords, and the Council to help reduce the number of these events. Action is being taking against tenants where parties are being held and large fines are available to the courts for enforcement. The emphasis of the work is prevention of these events being held.

The committee noted the content of the update and thanked Inspector Walker for his attendance.

#### **4b Community Representatives**

There were no community representatives present, so no updates were given.

#### **4c Nottingham City Homes**

Luke Walters, Area Housing Manager, Nottingham City Homes introduced the update from Nottingham City Homes detailing the work carried out during the Covid19 pandemic to date. He highlighted the following points:

- (a) Some refurbishment work of bin chutes has now been able to take place during August and September, all gas and electrical works are up to date and

risk assessments and social distancing measure in place to allow other repairs to start up again;

- (b) The Bridge Street entrance door to Victoria Centre flats was subject to vandalism. This has now been replaced with a door offering increased security to residents;
- (c) Despite not being able to hold the tenant awards in person there was a good outcome for this area with a number of awards being awarded to tenants. Young person of the year went to a Mapperley resident, Community Group of the Year went to a St Ann's group and the Good Neighbour award went to a Sneinton resident. Full details of the winners will be passed to Ward Councillors. The awards will also be promoted over social media;
- (d) During lockdown Nottingham City Homes called over 5,000 vulnerable residents, 650 of those were within the Dales, Mapperley and St Ann's wards and work took place to signpost residents to services offering help and support. All residents identified as being at risk of domestic violence have been contacted and a project has been initiated to ensure this continues;
- (e) Following easing of restrictions Nottingham City Homes have reintroduced inspections and are working to identify priority issues;

Following questions and comments the following further information was highlighted:

- (f) There have been a number of excellent examples of partnership working to ensure the best outcome for residents;
- (g) Risk assessments are now in place and Patch Managers will be back out and about making personal contact with those residents at risk of domestic violence, antisocial behaviour and performing other property inspections. Going forward the Patch Managers will once again be more visible to residents;

Councillor Mohammed indicated that communication from a resident had been received regarding an ongoing issue with Nottingham City Homes. He informed the Committee that these had been forwarded directly to Nottingham City Homes, the Ward Councillors and the relevant Portfolio Holder as the matter was already subject to an internal Nottingham City Homes process.

The Committee noted the information within the update, congratulations were passed to the winners for the awards detailed above, and Luke Walters was thanked for his attendance.

#### **4d Ward Report - Covid 19 Response**

Greg Foister, Neighbourhood Management Operations Manager, presented the report updating the Committee on the work done within the Wards in response to the Covid 19 pandemic. During discussion the following points were highlighted:

- (a) The Mobilising Civil Society work stream was established to offer a city focused citizen response to the pandemic. There have been many examples of excellent partnership working;

- (b) The Committee agreed that the sense of neighbourliness in the city had been tremendous during a difficult time;
- (c) Community Groups put their usual work to one side and focused on responding to the communities immediate needs, including shopping, prescription collection and dog walking for those more vulnerable residents;

The Committee recorded their formal thanks to all of the volunteers, and community groups who went the extra mile to help during the City's time of need.

## **5 Area Based Grant**

Nic Williams and Emma Feely, Renewal Trust gave a presentation to the Committee (appended to these minutes) on the work that has taken place both before and during the Covid 19 pandemic. During discussion the following points were made:

- (a) In January 2020 the contract with City College was terminated resulting in a reduced job support service. The process to recruit a link worker was ongoing when the pandemic struck. Recruitment of a Link Worker in this environment has been challenging;
- (b) Across the city Area Based Grant leads have been liaising with each other during the pandemic to try and ensure that signposting to help and support is clear and accessible to all;
- (c) If Councillors know of any young women who will benefit from the This Girl Can feel good packs please pass along the details. There are still packs available to be distributed;
- (d) It has been a challenge to run the usual programme of holiday activities during the summer holidays this year due to the pandemic. However activities with partners have been successfully run across the city, mainly in parks but at a reduced rate to normal. These activities did have good attendance weather dependant;
- (e) 6 schools have taken up the offer of Breakfast Bags – this has ensured that 60 families have received breakfast packs, as well as signposting these families to further support available;
- (f) The Committee raised concerns about employment support in the Dales ward, highlighting that it had been 9 months since there was a consistent service available and a high unemployment rate. Concerns were raised that when the furlough scheme ends unemployment will surge compounding this issue. The Committee acknowledged that it was due to a failure of an operator and not the fault of the Renewal Trust as Area Based Grant lead organisation;
- (g) Offering support around employment is still very challenging. Job Fairs and Job Clubs have normally been held in libraries, which have been closed due to the pandemic. There has been support available over the phone and via Zoom calls, but referrals through the Department of Work and Pensions has been low. Options for alternative venues to hold Job Clubs are being considered.

There are two members of Futures staff available for remote help and recruitment for the link work will be picked up again;

The Chair highlighted that he had received communications from residents that he had forwarded directly to the Chief Executive Officer of the Renewal Trust as well as to Ward Councillors.

The Committee asked that their thanks be formally noted to all staff and partners, residents and organisations for their outstanding contributions, pulling together to support one another in very challenging times.

**Resolved to require the Renewal Trust as Area Based Grant Lead to develop an Action Delivery Plan to reinstate all services and circulate to Committee members to help address any blockages or issues.**

## **6 Proposed extension to the Public Spaces Protection Order - Beverley Square, St Ann's**

David Scothern, Principal Enforcement Officer, introduced the report proposing an extension to the Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO) in place at Beverley Square, St Ann's. He highlighted the following information:

- (a) The order was originally granted in September 2017 following public consultation. This current order is due to expire in November 2020 and if allowed to do so would require the removal of gates erected to deter the antisocial behaviour;
- (b) Anti-social behaviour has reduced as unrestricted access to the covered area is no longer possible;
- (c) All properties abutting the restricted area were consulted and no responses were received, however a report in a local paper suggested that residents were in favour of the order being extended;
- (d) The proposal does not alter the existing order in any way, other than to extend its duration for a further 3 years;

During questions and comments the following was highlighted:

- (e) Residents have queried whether they can have access to the area, it is currently being used as an ad hoc storage area. A visit will be made to look into this;

**Resolved to:**

- (1) Authorise an extension to the Nottingham City Restriction of Public Rights of Way (Beverley Square, St Ann's) Public Spaces Protection Order 2017 for a further three years from 5 November 2020 being satisfied that the test in Section 59 of the 2014 Act is met and having regard to the rights of freedom of expression and freedom of assembly; and**
- (2) Authorise the Director of Community Protection to carry out the necessary advertisements and arrange for appropriate signage to be**

**erected where necessary in accordance with the legislative requirements.**

## **7 Proposed extensions to Public Spaces Protection Orders, Botony Avenue, Candle Meadow and Kilnwood Close**

David Scothern, Principal Enforcement Officer, introduced the report to the Committee seeking extensions to Public Spaces Protection Orders in place at Candle Meadow, Colwick Park; Kilnwood Close, Carlton; and Botany Avenue to Ransom Road, Mapperley. These orders were originally granted as Gating Orders but due to a change in legislation became PSPO's in October 2017. These orders are due to expire in October 2020. The following information was highlighted during discussion:

- (a) Consultation with all properties abutting each of the restricted areas has taken place, responses came back mainly positive with one objection due to limited access for property maintenance. This issue was resolved and the objection withdrawn.
- (b) Ward Councillors supported the extension of the PSPO's within their wards as they had worked to reduce crime and improve the quality of the area.

### **Resolved to:**

- (1) Authorise extension to the Nottingham City Council (Candle Meadow, Colwick Park) Gating Order 2008 for a further three years from 19 October 2020 being satisfied that the test in section 59 of the 2014 Act is met and having regard to the rights of freedom of expression and freedom of assembly;**
- (2) Authorise extension to the Nottingham City Council (Kilnwood Close, Carlton) Gating Order 2009 for a further three years from 19 October 2020 being satisfied that the test in section 59 of the 2014 Act is met and having regard to the rights of freedom of expression and freedom of assembly;**
- (3) Authorise extension to the Nottingham City Council (Botany Avenue to Ransom Road, Mapperley Gating Order 2012 for a further three years from 19 October 2020 being satisfied that the test in section 59 of the 2014 Act is met and having regard to the rights of freedom of expression and freedom of assembly; and**
- (4) Authorise the Director of Community Protection to carry out the necessary advertisements and arrange for the appropriate signage to be erected where necessary in accordance with the legislative requirements for all three extended orders.**

## **8 Area Capital Fund – 2020 - 21 Programme**

Greg Foister, Neighbourhood Management Operations Manager, presented the report updating the Committee on latest spend proposals under the Area Capital Fund including highways and footways. A late supplement agenda was published detailing the only proposed scheme for approval.

**Resolved to:**

- (1) Approve the new schemes prioritised by Ward Councillors since the last Area Committee as detailed below:**

Location	Type	Estimate	Details
Dales Improvement	area improvement	£4,500	contribution to programme of lock replacement to shared gates across Dales ward - lead service: Neighbourhood Management

- (2) Note the monies available to Dales, Mapperley and St Ann's wards for 2020/21 as outlined below:**

**Dales:**

2020 - 2021 LTP allocation	£66,000
LTP carried forward from 2019 - 2020	£0
2020 - 2021 Public Realm allocation	£31,700
Public Realm carried forward from 2019 - 2020	£18,876
<b>Total Available 2020 - 2021 ACF</b>	<b>£116,576</b>
*Less LTP schemes	- £0
**Less Public Realm schemes	- £4,500
***Decommitted funds	+ £0
<b>Remaining available balance</b>	<b>£112,076</b>
LTP element remaining	£66,000
Public Realm element remaining	£46,076

**Mapperley**

2020 - 2021 LTP allocation	£61,000
LTP carried forward from 2019 - 2020	£0
2020 - 2021 Public Realm allocation	£29,300
Public Realm carried forward from 2019 - 2020	£0
<b>Total Available 2020 - 2021 ACF</b>	<b>£90,300</b>
*Less LTP schemes	- £0
**Less Public Realm schemes	- £0
***Decommitted funds	+ £0
<b>Remaining available balance</b>	<b>£90,300</b>
LTP element remaining	£61,000
Public Realm element remaining	£29,300

**St Ann's**

2020 - 2021 LTP allocation	£76,200
LTP carried forward from 2019 - 2020	£12,264
2020 - 2021 Public Realm allocation	£36,600
Public Realm carried forward from 2019 - 2020	£6,546
<b>Total Available 2020 - 2021 ACF</b>	<b>£131,610</b>
*Less LTP schemes	- £0
**Less Public Realm schemes	- £0
***Decommitted funds	+ £0
<b>Remaining available balance</b>	<b>£131,610</b>
LTP element remaining	£88,464
Public Realm element remaining	£43,146

**9 Ward Budget Report**

Greg Foister, Neighbourhood Management Operations Manager presented the report advising Area Committee of the use of delegated authority by the Director of Community Protection for projects funded by Ward Councillor Budgets.

**Resolved to note the actions agreed by the Director of Community Protection in respect of projects and schemes within the Dales, Mapperley and St Ann's wards detailed below:**

<b>Dales Ward Allocation</b>	
<b>2020/21</b>	<b>Total</b>
Uncommitted Balance b/f 2019/20	3,000
Allocation 20/21	10,000
<b>Total Allocation 20/21</b>	<b>13,000</b>
	<b>Project No</b>
<b>De-committed Schemes</b>	0
<b>Committed Schemes</b>	0
<b>Total Uncommitted Funds</b>	<b>13,000</b>

<b>Analysis</b>	<b>£'s</b>
Unspent Balances b/fwd 19/20	13,999
Uncommitted Balances B/fwd 19/20	3,000
<b>Balance as at 31/03/2020</b>	<b>16,999</b>
Budget Allocated 20/21	10,000
<b>Balance Available to Spend</b>	<b>26,999</b>
Allocated Funds	13,999
<b>Uncommitted Balance</b>	<b>13,000</b>
<b>Uncommitted from front page</b>	<b>13,000</b>
<b>Check</b>	<b>0</b>

<b>Mapperley Ward Allocation</b>				
<b>2020/21</b>	<b>Cllr Ayoola</b>	<b>Cllr Healy</b>	<b>Cllr Mohammed</b>	<b>Total</b>
Uncommitted Balance b/f 2019/20	1,267	1,267	1,267	3,800
Allocation 20/21	3,333	3,333	3,333	10,000
<b>Total Allocation 20/21</b>	<b>4,600</b>	<b>4,600</b>	<b>4,600</b>	<b>13,800</b>
	<b>Project No</b>			
<b>De-committed Schemes</b>				0
<b>Committed Schemes</b>				
YCANN Food Project	26851	(400)	(400)	(800)

<b>Total Uncommitted Funds</b>	<b>4,200</b>	<b>4,600</b>	<b>4,200</b>	<b>13,000</b>
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<b>Analysis</b>	<b>£'s</b>			
Unspent Balances b/fwd 19/20				6,345
Uncommitted Balances B/fwd 19/20				3,800
<b>Balance as at 31/03/2020</b>				<b>10,145</b>
Budget Allocated 20/21				10,000
<b>Balance Available to Spend</b>				<b>20,145</b>
Allocated Funds				7,145
<b>Uncommitted Balance</b>				<b>13,000</b>
<b>Uncommitted from front page</b>				<b>13,000</b>
<b>Check</b>				<b>0</b>

<b>St Ann's Ward Allocation</b>				
<b>2020/21</b>	<b>Cllr Lee</b>	<b>Cllr Johnson</b>	<b>Cllr Liversidge</b>	<b>Total</b>
Uncommitted Balance b/f 2019/20	1,000	1,000	1,000	3,000
Allocation 20/21	3,333	3,333	3,333	10,000
<b>Total Allocation 20/21</b>	<b>4,333</b>	<b>4,333</b>	<b>4,333</b>	<b>13,000</b>
<b>De-committed Schemes</b>				0
<b>Committed Schemes</b>				0
				0
<b>Total Uncommitted Funds</b>	<b>4,333</b>	<b>4,333</b>	<b>4,333</b>	<b>13,000</b>

<b>Analysis</b>	<b>£'s</b>			
Unspent Balances b/fwd 19/20				13,025
Uncommitted Balances B/fwd 19/20				3,000
<b>Balance as at 31/03/2020</b>				<b>16,025</b>
Budget Allocated 20/21				10,000
<b>Balance Available to Spend</b>				<b>26,025</b>
Allocated Funds				13,025
<b>Uncommitted Balance</b>				<b>13,000</b>
<b>Uncommitted from front page</b>				<b>13,000</b>
<b>Check</b>				<b>0</b>

## **10 Future Meeting Dates**

Meeting venues will depend on the Covid situation at the time the meeting is scheduled to take place. Meetings will either take place remotely, via Zoom with public viewing via YouTube or at a venue where social distancing measures are practical, and only if safe to do so.

**Resolved to meet on the following Tuesdays at 6pm:**

**8 December 2020**

**3 March 2021**