

**Bulwell and Bulwell Forest Area Committee – 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2015**

<b>Title of paper:</b>	<b>AREA CAPITAL FUND - 2015/16 Programme NOTTINGHAM CITY HOMES ENVIRONMENTAL FUND – 2015/16</b>	
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<b>Date of consultation with Portfolio Holder(s) (if relevant)</b>		
<b>Relevant Council Plan Strategic Priority:</b>		
Cutting unemployment by a quarter		<input type="checkbox"/>
Cut crime and anti-social behaviour		<input 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 type="checkbox"/>
Help keep your energy bills down		<input type="checkbox"/>
Good access to public transport		<input checked="" 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"/>
<b>Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/service users):</b>		
This report provides Area Committee with :-		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Latest spend proposals under the Area Capital Fund including highways and footways</li> <li>• Latest spend proposals regarding Public Realm schemes</li> <li>• Latest spending proposals under the Nottingham City Homes Environmental Programme</li> </ul>		
<b>Recommendation(s):</b>		
<b>1</b>	That the prioritised Area Capital, public realm and NCH environmental schemes for Bulwell and Bulwell Forest as set out in Appendices 1 and 2 be approved	

**1. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

1.1 The Nottingham LTP 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, Nottingham City Council approved in March 2015 an LTP capital allocation of £1.25 million citywide between 2015-2016.

- 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 Programme was established in 2006 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.
- 2.2 Resources are allocated from the Nottingham City Council general fund, the Local Transport Plan (LTP) and from 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, only to be altered at a later stage due to changing circumstances such as economic conditions and changes in land values.
- 2.4 The Area Committee, 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. EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

Has the equality impact been assessed?

Not needed (report does not contain proposals or financial decisions)

No

Yes – Equality Impact Assessment attached

Due regard should be given to the equality implications identified in the EIA.

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

7.1 Highways Framework Agreement

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

8.1 Executive Board Report 24 February 2015, as part of Item 15, Medium Term Financial Plan 2015/16-2017/18, under Annex 3, Capital Programme.

**Bulwell Area Capital 2015 - 2016 Programme**

**Bulwell LTP schemes**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Councillor Prioritised / Area Committee Approved</b>	<b>Estimate</b>	<b>Estimated start date</b>	<b>Completed</b>	<b>Details</b>
Ragdale Road	Footpaths	Approved June 2015	£47,999	20/07/15	21/08/15	Resurfacing of footpaths on Ragdale Road adjacent to the school - lead service: Highway Maintenance

Total LTP schemes\*

£47,999

**Bulwell Public Realm schemes**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Councillor Prioritised / Area Committee Approved</b>	<b>Estimate</b>	<b>Estimated start date</b>	<b>Completed</b>	<b>Details</b>
Bulwell Ward trees	tree works	Approved June 2015	£5,000	tbc		Contribution to 3 year city-wide programme of felling inappropriately placed trees and replacement tree planting - lead service: Parks & Open Spaces
Norwich Gardens	area improvement	Approved June 2015	£11,849	tbc		Contribution to NCH area improvement scheme on Norwich Gardens - lead service: NCH

Total Public Realm schemes\*\*

£16,849

### Bulwell Withdrawn schemes

Location	Type	Reason	Amount	Details

Total Decommitted***	£0	
2015-2016 LTP allocation	£82,000	
LTP carried forward from 2013-2015	£0	
2015 - 2016 Public Realm allocation	£49,050	
Public Realm carried forward from 2013-2015	£82,467	
<b>Total Available 2015 - 2016 ACF</b>	<b>£213,517</b>	
*Less LTP schemes	- £47,999	
**Less Public Realm schemes	- £16,849	
***Decommitted funds	+ £0	
<b>Remaining available balance</b>	<b>£148,669</b>	
LTP element remaining	£34,001	
Public Realm element remaining	£114,668	

## Bulwell Forest Area Capital 2015 - 2016 Programme

### Bulwell Forest LTP schemes

Location	Type	Councillor Prioritised / Area Committee Approved	Estimate	Estimated start date	Completed	Details
Bulwell Forest Road Safety	assessment	Prioritised 18 August 2015	£2,500	Jan-March 2016		Assessment of possible improvement to road safety measures across the ward in response to a road accident report- lead service: Traffic & Safety
Bulwell Forest Traffic & Safety	review	Prioritised 18 August 2015	£9,000	Jan-March 2016		Review of existing traffic measures - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Flaxton Way / Stacey Avenue	TRO	Prioritised 18 August 2015	£6,000	Jan-March 2016		Junction protection at the Flaxton Way and Stacey Avenue to improve visibility and safety - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Revelstoke Way	footpath	Approved June 2015	£30,186	Autumn 2015		Reconstruction and adoption of footway running from Revelstoke Way to Bestwood Park Drive West - lead service: Highway Maintenance
Hucknall Road Signage	study	Approved June 2015	£900	Jan-March 2016		Assessment of identified signage issues in Hucknall Road area - lead service: Traffic & Safety

Total LTP schemes\*

£48,586

### Bulwell Forest Public Realm schemes

Location	Type	Councillor Prioritised / Area Committee Approved	Estimate	Estimated start date	Completed	Details
St Albans Road	dropped crossing	Prioritised 18 August 2015	£2,500	Jan-March 2016		Installation of dropped crossing at junction on St Albans Road to improve use and access of footways for pedestrians - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Schools road safety	signage	Prioritised 18 August 2015	£1,350	Jan-March 2016		Assessment and replacement of signs outside schools in identified locations across the ward - lead service: Traffic & Safety
Bakewell Drive	fencing	Approved June 2015	£12,582	tbc		Provision of secure fencing to deter anti-social behaviour - lead service: Rights of Way

Total Public Realm schemes\*\*

£16,432

**Bulwell Forest Withdrawn schemes**

Location	Type	Reason	Amount	Details

Total Decommited\*\*\* £0

2015-2016 LTP allocation		£49,000
LTP carried forward from 2013-2015		£0
2015 - 2016 Public Realm allocation		£29,250
Public Realm carried forward from 2013-2015		£526
<b>Total Available 2015 - 2016 ACF</b>		<b>£78,776</b>
<i>*Less LTP schemes</i>	-	£48,586
<i>**Less Public Realm schemes</i>	-	£16,432
<i>***Decommited funds</i>	+	£0
<b>Remaining available balance</b>		<b>£13,758</b>
LTP element remaining		£414
Public Realm element remaining		£13,344

## **APPENDIX 2 – Nottingham City Homes Environmental Programme**

Area	Ward	Actual Budget (including carry over from 2014/15)	Schemes Approved	Schemes Committed	Schemes De Committed	Remaining Budget
1	Bulwell	£197,653	£78,919	£78,919	£0	£99,815
1	Bulwell Forest	£44,503	£20,674	£20,674	£0	£23,829

Address	Request	Reason	Nottingham City Homes Officer	Cost	Approval
Snapenook Court	Upgrade the fencing around the drying area	Wider improvements underway to the scheme and it is felt that the drying area fencing would benefit from being upgraded.	Leanne Hoban	£2,862.00.	Commit
Flaxton Way	Installation of fencing and gates.	To maximise security	Leanne Hoban	£3,080.00	Commit
Ridgeway Parking scheme	Fees for traffic safety audit and planning application	To ascertain if the parking scheme is feasible to proceed with.	Leanne Hoban	£1,800	Commit