

NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

AREA COMMITTEE EAST (A.C.E) DALES, ST ANN'S & MAPPERLEY

MINUTES of the meeting held at Ground Floor Committee Room - Loxley House, Station Street, Nottingham, NG2 3NG on 15 September 2015 from 18.00 - 19.30

Membership

Present

Councillor Leslie Ayoola (Vice Chair)
Councillor Rosemary Healy
Councillor Gul Nawaz Khan (Vice Chair)
Councillor Neghat Nawaz Khan
Councillor Dave Liversidge
Councillor David Mellen

Absent

Councillor Jon Collins
Councillor Sue Johnson
Councillor Chris Tansley

Colleagues, partners and others in attendance:

Andrew Campbell	-	ACAF
Richard Brown	-	Friends of Colwick Woods
Cynthia James	-	Gains TRA
Fi Cusick)	
Greg Foister)	
Dorothy Holmes)	Nottingham City Council
Noel McMenamin)	
Mark Sunderland)	
Gary Nelms	-	Nottingham City Homes
Inspector Claire Rukas	-	Nottinghamshire Police
Noel Martin	-	Prettier Whittier
Peter Matkin	-	Renewal Trust
Wendy Honeyman-Smith	-	Sneinton Alchemy
Deborah Main	-	STANNRA
Greg Feltham	-	STARA
Marie Rogers	-	Stonebridge City Farm
Peter Wright	-	STOPTRA

12 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Sue Johnson – Chair (unwell)
Councillor Jon Collins (other Council business)
Councillor Chris Tansley (other Council business)

Michelle Graley – Neighbourhood Development Officer
Caroline Pickering – Friends of Coppice Park

In the absence of Councillor Johnson, the Chair was taken by Councillor Leslie Ayoola, the Vice-Chair.

13 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

None.

14 MINUTES

The Committee confirmed the minutes of the meeting held on 23 June 2015 as a true record and they were signed by the Chair of this meeting.

15 AREA COMMITTEE COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES 2015/16

Fi Cusick, Neighbourhood Development Officer, introduced a report of the Strategic Director for Commercial and Neighbourhood Services, requesting approval of the appointment of community representatives from locality-based organisations to the Area Committee for 2015/16. Ms Cusick confirmed that requests for nominations had been sent to all organisations represented on the Committee in 2014/15, but that several organisations had not yet responded.

RESOLVED to appoint the following Community Representatives to Area Committee East for the 2015/16 municipal year:

<u>Organisation</u>	<u>Name</u>
Sneinton Tenants Outreach programme	Peter Wright
St Ann's Allotments	Cathy Symes
St Ann's Advice Group	Debbie Webster
KK Sports and Leisure Centre	Davynya Grech
ACFF	Andrew Campbell
Sneinton Alchemy CIC	Wendy Honeyman-Smith
Prettier Whittier	Noel Martin
Muslim Community Organisation Nottingham	Iftikhar Ahmed
STARA	Greg Feltham
Friends of Colwick Woods	Richard Brown
STANNRA	Deborah Main
Friends of Coppice Park	Caroline Pickering-Smith
St Andrew's Church	Peter Goode
Elm Close Management	Denis Sabey
APRA	Barrie Ward
Mapperley Neighbourhood Watch	Peter Henson
City College Nottingham	Stephen Webb

16 APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

Noel McMenamain, Governance Officer, introduced a report of the Corporate Director for Resilience, requesting approval of appointments to locality based outside bodies,

in line with the Executive Board decision taken in June 2015 to delegate this responsibility to Area Committees.

RESOLVED to approve the following appointments to locality-based outside bodies:

<u>Outside Body</u>	<u>Appointments</u>
Bakersfield Community Association Management Committee	Councillor David Mellen
Friends of Green's Windmill	Councillor Neghat Khan
Greenway Centre Management Committee	Councillor Gul Khan
Hungerhill Developments	Eddie Curry – Head of Parks and Open Spaces (Officer) Councillor Jon Collins

17 NOTTINGHAM CITY HOMES

The Committee considered a report of the Chief Executive, Nottingham City Homes, updating the Committee on budget allocation and performance, and requesting approval for an environmental submission.

During discussion, the Committee made the following points:

- (a) The Bentinck, Manvers and Kingston external wall insulation and district heating work was commended as a very good project, though there had been issues with car parking availability, the unsightliness of heating pipes and residents' keys while work was carried out;
- (b) The improvements elsewhere to the Nottingham City Homes property portfolio left Burrows Court looking even more in need of improvement work. Councillors requested an update at the next Area Committee meeting;
- (c) The request for funding for capital funding at Dooland Drive was approved without substantive discussion.

RESOLVED

- (1) **to note the available budget for area regeneration and environmental issues in Area Committee East for the remainder of 2015/16, as follows:
Dales ward- £43,129, Mapperley ward - £22,354, St Ann's ward - £170,672;**
- (2) **to approve the following new scheme:**

<u>Location</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Estimate</u>	<u>Details</u>
Dooland Drive	Parking scheme/access improvements	£5,327.94	To alleviate parking issues and improve disabled access

18 RE-ALLOCATION OF CAPITAL FUNDING FOR MAPPERLEY WARD PARKS

James Dymond, Parks Development Manager, introduced a report of the Director of Sport, Culture and Parks proposing reallocating capital funding to parks in Mapperley ward to enable a range of site improvements to take place.

Mr Dymond explained that capital funding allocated to several parks and open spaces in Mapperley ward was no longer required as works were completed. Reallocating this funding would help deliver additional works of benefit to citizens from within agreed budgets.

RESOLVED to approve expenditure of £15,000 at Coppice Park and Astley Drive Play Area through reallocating previously-agreed capital funding, as follows:

<u>Site/Funding:</u>	<u>Reallocate to:</u>
Sycamore Park - £5,180	Coppice Park – site improvements to help reach Green Flag standard - £10,000
Mickleborough - £9,280	Astley Drive Play area improvements - £5,000
Total - £15,000	Total - £15,000

19 WARD PERFORMANCE REPORT

Greg Foister, Neighbourhood Development Officer (NDO) for Dales and Fi Cusick, NDO for Mapperley, introduced the Strategic Director for Commercial and Neighbourhood Services' report providing summary updates on key themes within the Nottingham Plan 2020 for Quarter 2 2015/16, highlighting the following:

St Ann's

- (a) There is concentrated project working on identifying and dealing with domestic violence, and this is likely to increase reporting of domestic violence crimes;
- (b) Overall crime has increased in the ward, but anti-social behaviour and noise pollution levels have significantly reduced;
- (c) Cleanliness scores consistently above the 86 points target, fly-tipping and graffiti levels are down, but dog fouling remains an issue;
- (d) St Ann's councillors have asked for a review of parking concerns across the ward, and are also keen to ensure there is local targeted work delivered to get the unemployed back into work.

Dales

- (e) there was good community engagement demonstrated during the most recent Week of Action, with over 6.5 tonnes of rubbish removed. The next Week of Action will focus on Sneinton Dale, and will address shopping/retail waste;
- (f) mobile cameras will be used at fly-tipping hotspots to help identify offenders;
- (g) there is an issue with the ineffective treatment of weeds in the ward, and further work will be undertaken to address the problem;
- (h) the Neighbourhood Management Team will continue to engage with New College Nottingham on engaging with hard-to-reach communities in the ward on employment issues;
- (i) there will be further local consultation on the development of Greenway Park;
- (j) the report highlighted the schedule of ward walks in September and October 2015.

Mapperley

- (i) Phase 2 of the Mapperley Road Residents Parking Scheme continues to make progress the main issue being taken forward, with Phase 2 now in development;
- (j) consultation is taking place on proposals to develop the site of the former Morley School;
- (k) the Friends of Coppice Park are holding its annual Fireworks Display on 4 November;
- (l) the next Mapperley 'Day' of Action is taking place in the week beginning 2 November. Activities will include action against speeding vehicles;
- (m) Keepmoat Homes plan to erect a stone sign at or near the site of St Ann's Well at its Kingsthorpe development to commemorate this local historical site;
- (n) a mobile camera is now in operation and will be deployed at crime and ASB hotspots.

Inspector Claire Rukas provided the following update on crime and anti-social behaviour:

- (o) overall crime has risen, and violent crime, including domestic violence, remained a key priority;
- (p) robbery, burglary dwelling and theft from vehicles figures have reduced. However, burglary dwelling remained a significant issue in Mapperley Park, and addressing this 'hot spot' was a Police priority;
- (q) criminal damage had increased in August 2015 but crime statistics had been unusually low in August 2014.

During discussion, the following issues were raised:

- (r) while the levels of community engagement with the Week of Action initiatives were encouraging, community representatives and councillors wanted greater co-ordination and outreach work to improve uptake further. Sneinton Alchemy had a register of volunteering opportunities, and several Committee members suggested linking up with the Nottingham Community and Voluntary Service to publicise and boost community involvement;
- (s) Inspector Rukas explained that Nottinghamshire Police have an intelligence-led focus in prioritising use of resources. She clarified that burglary dwelling in Mapperley Park was a priority within that crime category, and refuted the suggestion that Police resources in general were being deployed in the Mapperley Park area. Inspector Rukas also made a plea for information from the community for information on crime or suspected crime so that Police resources could be targeted appropriately;
- (t) Inspector Rukas confirmed that the citywide review of Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) capacity was likely to leave the 3 wards with a complement of 15 officers, down from 17. She also confirmed that the Sneinton Beat was below capacity, with no recruitment expected soon;
- (u) a councillor acknowledged that more needed doing to explain to citizens that Council Tax charges only provided a small proportion of overall Local Government spend, with the remainder coming from central government. The City Council received less and less central government funding each year, which was why Council Tax charge increases were not matched by there being more comprehensive services;
- (v) a community representative expressed frustration that a funding bid to provide a 9-a-side football pitch within the Area had not progressed as expected, and asked councillors to consider how they could help take this forward.

Mark Sunderland, South Neighbourhood Operations Manager, provided a brief update on street-cleansing issues, and confirmed that Area-specific information can be made available in future. Cleanliness and fly-tipping targets were being met, but dog fouling incidence was on the increase. He also confirmed that flytippers would be pursued through enforcement action where possible, but that it was a complex, lengthy process.

RESOLVED to note the Ward Performance for Quarter 2 2015/16.

20 AREA CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2015/2016

Greg Foister and Fi Cusick, Neighbourhood Development Officers, introduced the Strategic Director for Commercial and Neighbourhood Services' report detailing the latest spend proposals under the Area Capital Fund.

RESOLVED to

(1) note that the following funding is available (Area Capital 2015/16):

Dales	£83,105
Mapperley	£38,911
St Ann's	£108,848

(2) approve the following new schemes:

Dales LTP Scheme

Location	Type	Estimate	Details
Candle Meadow	Study	£1,750	Assessment study – removing build-out at Crabtree Fields

Dales Public Realm Schemes:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Estimate</u>	<u>Details</u>
Rossington Road	Area improvement	£2,945	Measures to address ASB in alleyway
Dales ward	Gating	£5,000	Lock replacement scheme for shared gates
Dales ward	Area improvement	£10,000	Additional funding to area improvement

Mapperley LTP Schemes

Location	Type	Estimate	Details
Dooland Drive	Parking	£389	NCC contribution to disabled parking provision
Astley Drive	Lighting	£1,000	Additional lighting column
Redcliffe Road/Mapperley Road Junction	Feasibility Study	£3,500	Accident prevention study
Wells Road area	Lining	£7,500	Double-yellow line junction protection
Mapperley ward crossings	Dropped crossings	£10,000	4 pairs of dropped crossings

SEPTEMBER 2015

Greg Foister, Neighbourhood Development Officer, presented the report of the Strategic Director for Commercial and Neighbourhood Services, detailing decisions made under delegated authority within Dales, Mapperley and St Ann's.

RESOLVED to note the actions taken under delegated authority, as follows:

<u>Dales Ward</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Let's Shine and Give a Smile 2015	£200
Dales Barrier Troughs 2015	£1,052
EPIC 2015	£2,027
Dales Ward Week of Action	£600
Sneinton Cinema	£895
Community Learning Network/UPKO	£400
Oliver Hind Youth Club	£515
Party in the Park	£500

Mapperley Ward

Friends of Coppice Park Easter Egg hunt	£200
CEO – Community Cycle Cinema	£350
EPIC – Good Neighbours/Free4All	£2,640
CABRA – Health and Wellbeing Project	£1,946
STARS Summer Play Scheme 2015	£1,500
STARS weekly After-School Club 2015/16	£5,472
BY Youth Club Summer Programme 2015	£401
Area 6 Play and Youth Team Bowling Session	£150
Good Neighbours Project	£2,880

St Ann's Ward

	<u>Cost</u>
King Edward's Community Funday	£1,506
Nature Land Trip for Local Families	£175
KE Steps Room Hire Costs	£2,700
Bright Ideas - Raggaerobics	£1,500
National Playday	£900