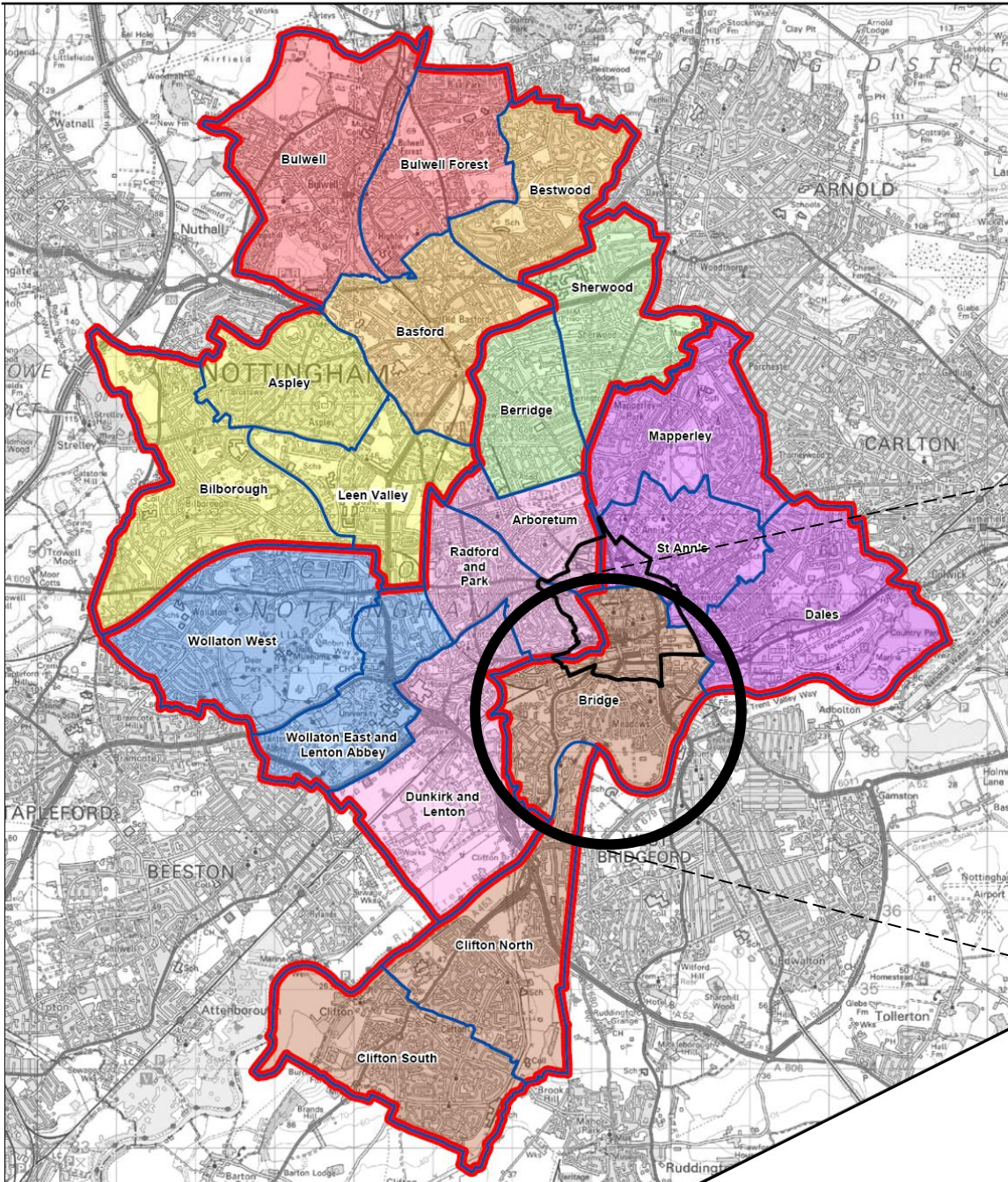


Bridge

Area Committee Report



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November 2015

INTRODUCTION

The Bridge Ward is situated on the south side of the city and covers the area of Meadows and part of the City Centre including Maid Marian Way, Castle Marina, London Road, Meadow Lane, Canal Street, the Broadmarsh, Market Square, Hockley and goes as far as Parliament Street.

The total population of the Bridge Ward is 14,669 (Census 2011), total population for Bridge Ward in 2001 was 9,084; this shows an increase by population of 61.5%.

Total number of dwellings in the Bridge Ward is 7,679 and has some of the following categories:

- Owned; Owned outright – 10.1% (718)
- Owned: Mortgage or loan – 17.1% (1,214)
- Social Rented: – Rented from the Council (LA) – 19.7% (1,402)
- Social Rented: Other – 11.3% (800)
- Private Rented: - 37.4% (2,657)

Source: ONS, Census 2011

Population by Ethnic Group – 51.8% (7,597) being White British, the largest minority group is Pakistani with 6.6 % (971), followed by Black African 5.1% (745), Indian 4.9% (713), Black Caribbean 3.2% (470), Mixed/White & Black Caribbean 4.45% (650)

Population by Religion – 37.8% (5,541) Christians – 12.2% (1,787) Muslim - 1.6% (234) Sikh - 2.4% (350) Hindu - 36.3% (5,326) no Religion

Source: ONS, Census 2011

Qualifications:

- No formal qualifications – 19.6% (2,477)
- Level 1: (4 GCSE's or equivalent) 10.3% (1,296)
- Level 2: (5 GCSE's or equivalent) 11.3% (1,427)
- Level 3: (2 or more A levels or equivalent) 17.3% (2,185)
- Level 4: (Bachelors Degree, Higher Education) 32.0% (4,041)
- Apprenticeships – 1.6% (204)

Source: ONS, Census 2011

Economically Active:

- Employee: Part-Time 9.7% (1,187)
- Employee: Full-Time 37.2% (4,540)
- Self Employed: 4.55% (545)
- Unemployed: 6.0% (735)
- Full-Time Student: 7.0% (855)

Source: ONS, Census 2011

The Bridge Ward has a mixed population and communities get on well with each another. Recently the area has seen an increase of new and emerging communities mainly from Eastern European countries as well as from Africa.

There are a number of residential areas across the ward including Cliff Road, private estate off Castle Marina, Turneys Quays, flats in the city centre and the Meadows. The largest community residential area is in the Meadows.

There are two distinct areas within the Meadows, the Old Meadows and the New Meadows. Old Meadows has the traditional open street layout with terraced housing in the main, where as the new Meadows was built with the Radburn layout where a frontage of a property can face the rear of another property. This area also has walkways that run under and to the side of properties with many cut through ways and options.

The Meadows has three primary schools Greenfields, Riverside and Welbeck. The expansion of Riverside Primary School has doubled the school's capacity from 210 places to 420 places. Riverside school has now become an academy.

The Meadows has two Police Beat Areas which are covered by the Neighbourhood Policing Teams and they are Meadows and Riverside. The Riverside Beat covers part of the new Meadows, the industrial estate off Queens Drive and the retail area at Castle Marina. A decision has been made to close Meadows Police Station, and once a neighbourhood policing base has been established within the Meadows, staff will move across to Riverside.

The area is home to some of the best parks and open spaces across the city with Queens Walk Recreation Ground once again being honoured with the Green Flag status in 2014, and the Victoria Embankment which is used by people from across the city and beyond.

A Master Plan has also been put in place for additional recreational/resources to be introduced on Victoria Embankment, with a series of consultation meetings/events taken place to obtain the views and desires of local people. The Master Plan was presented to the Area Committee in February 2013 where it was approved and progress update reported at February 2015 meeting.

The pavilion for cricket and football will be built this year echoing the style of the original building.

The Meadows is going through some major developments at the moment including the Net Phase Two line with works taking place at various locations, and the Decommissioning works by NCH.

Tram Works

Tram services on NET Phase Two commenced on 24th August 2015, with through services operating via the City Centre from Hucknall to Toton, and from Phoenix Park to Clifton. Trams operate every seven to ten minutes during the day on each route, and every three to five minutes on the core section between Nottingham Station and David Lane. Fare levels have been kept at a similar level to NET Line One, and the trams are low floor with large spaces for wheelchairs and buggies. Journey times are competitive, for example just 15 minutes from the City Centre to the QMC and University. Large new park and ride sites have opened at the terminus of both of the new routes, making seven park and ride sites over the system with over 5,000 spaces.

Finishing works such as landscaping and signing are continuing to take place alongside the tram operation and are expected to be complete early in 2016.

Meadows Decommissioning Update

Meadows Q Blocks phase 1 is complete from 19.06.15

Meadows Q Blocks phase 2 is complete from 11.11.14

Meadows Q Blocks phase 3 is complete from 16.03.15

Meadows Q Blocks phase 4 - to date there are 88 void properties and 13 leasehold cases have been completed. The Relocation Support Officers are reviewing all remaining cases on a regular basis and the remaining leaseholders are reviewed weekly. The target date of September 2015 has not been met, however phased demolition will take place.

West Meadows decommissioning area

Keepmoat are progressing on site, building 54 new council homes over five sites. Demolition of the final block, 4-14 Middle Furlong Gardens, has been delayed until late November due to the presence of asbestos between the brick courses and timber joists. A decision has been taken to exclude the use of the Beattie Passive build system that was proposed for a small number of homes for viability reasons. The scheme is due to complete in April 2017, which incorporates an 8-week delay to the previous timetable.

The council has recently acquired the decommissioned Meadows Police Station site adjacent to the redevelopment site on Saffron Gardens. It is envisaged that new NCH market rent apartments will be provided here with construction scheduled to commence in January 2017.

Pitcairn & Hobart

This scheme of 73 new mixed tenure houses is now nearing completion; all affordable rent and shared ownership properties are now built and many of the sale properties have also completed. The scheme is expected to complete by the end of October 2015.

Arkwright & Blackstone

Following an open OJEU procurement process the council has received two tender submissions to develop a private residential scheme on the decommissioned housing sites at Blackstone Walk and along Arkwright Walk. Tenders are being assessed and an award is expected to be made to the successful developer in late October.

The Council has chosen a contractor to carry out physical works to reconfigure the garden/play and parking area of Crocus Fields Children's Centre, which will reopen Arkwright Walk as a through route for pedestrians and cyclists. The work is expected to begin in December lasting approximately 8 weeks after which the council's Highways contractors will carry out remediation and improvement works to the new area of carriageway. These works will utilise New Homes Bonus and Local Transport Plan funds.

This report will also highlight a range of projects/activities that have been delivered and planned to be delivered between September 2015 and November 2015.

The Current Bridge Ward priorities were revised at the Your Choice Your Voice event which was held on the 2nd December 2014. Lead services consulted with citizens on the five core themes of Nottingham Plan 2020, and the priorities highlighted are those that have been agreed by citizens with partners for targeted action/s. This process will be repeated at this year's Your Choice Your Voice event to be held on Tuesday 1st December 2015 incorporating Dragons Den.

Ward priorities – Progress update

Priorities reviewed at the Your Choice Your Voice event in December 2014

Theme	Priority	Key Actions	Outcome	Lead
SAFER	<p>ASB – Arkwright Walk</p> <p>Drugs</p> <p>Off road Motorbikes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operation plan put in place by the Police • Meetings and joint work with key services <p>NCH – Regular weekly inspections of all seven q blocks on Arkwright Walk. Partnership working with Police Beat Manager, CPO's and PCSO's. Monthly meetings with these partners to discuss and action on going issues.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High Visibility Policing in the area • Community youth engagement • Offender management • Target offenders and place on ASB where appropriate • Crime prevention advice provided to residents 	Neighbourhood Policing Team

<p>NEIGHBOURHOODS</p>	<p>Fly Tipping:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussions with relevant partners on legal measures available for rubbish in alleyways • Discussions with relevant landlords/tenants to address issues in relation to their property • Continue with close work with TRA's in highlighting hotspots and raising awareness / educations amongst local residents • Continue with Bulky Waste Collection awareness across the Ward • Ward Walks around hotspots / alleyways • To roll out anti-fly tipping stickers • Increased work on securing prosecutions for fly tipping • Targeted work on problem properties on Beauvale Road • Work closely with Street Cleansing to identify person/s responsible for fly tipping and taking necessary action for investigation and enforcement 	<p>Increased Community Protection patrols</p> <p>Leaflet drop and property visits carried out – Removal of bins & clear up of rubbish & litter</p> <p>Improvement seen on reduced bins on street</p> <p>Notice/s issued to landlords for clearing rubbish in property garden</p> <p>Issues identified and action taken</p> <p>Highlighting environmental crime incidences</p> <p>Gather intel for action/ joint work with HMO team, recommendation for refusal of HMO license</p> <p>August 2015 3 – Graffiti 32 – Fly tips 12 – Warning letters 2 – FPN's</p>	<p>Neighbourhood Services Community Protection</p> <p>Community Protection Neighbourhood Services</p> <p>Community Protection</p> <p>Community Protection</p> <p>Community Protection</p> <p>Community Protection / Neighbourhood Services</p> <p>Community Protection Neighbourhood Services</p>
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify owners of waste in alleyways • Investigate and take enforcement when possible on each fly tip/waste case • Distribute information to residents • CPO's to issue FPNs if waste out and no collection booked • CPO's taking enforcement action and issuing FPN's for non compliance <p>NCH – Regular dialogue with partners including Neighbourhood Manager and CPO's. Any issues raised during the quarterly estate inspections across the Meadows are reported and actioned.</p> <p>Fly tipping posters added to hot spot areas and community notice boards, evidence gathering at hot spots, includes checking any CCTV and door knocking surrounding area. Anyone found to be fly tipping will be prosecuted or small scale to</p>	<p>Cllr ward walks delivered with partner agencies to action issues picked up</p> <p>Regular site visits carried out and Intel sourced</p> <p>September 2015 10 – Graffiti 41– Fly tips 17– Warning letters 6– FPN's (Litter)</p> <p>On average, two Fixed Penalty Notices have been issued to individuals in Meadows each month, from small scale fly tips.</p> <p>NO FPNs issued for small scale fly tips, push on Educating citizens to use Bulky waste service. Remains sporadic fly tipping across Meadows, less so in</p>	<p>Neighbourhood Services / CP</p> <p>Community Protection</p> <p>Community Protection</p> <p>Community Protection-CPOs/Neighbourhood Services.</p> <p>Community Protection and Neighbourhood Services</p>
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	<p>Dog Fouling:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hotspots: Queens Walk, Rec, Bathley Street, Felton Road, Woodward Street, Bunbury Street, Green Street, Collygate Road 	<p>issue FPN. Letter drops carried out. Combining the enforcement with educating citizens in how to dispose of their waste properly.</p> <p>Continuing to promote See it Report it, information on notice boards and CPOs held stalls at Embankment to promote responsible dog ownership and encourage citizens to report people not picking up so can conduct targeted and more effective dog operations. Two operations per month.</p>	<p>alleyways – action (LBAs and Notices) being taken on problem alleyways.</p> <p>Two dog operations carried out in September –No FPNs issued, very little intel coming through from public. Two operations planned for October.</p> <p>Since September two FPNs issued for breaching a Community Protection Notice for a dog owner allowing their dog outside the boundary of their property without it being on a lead or under control, which has led to dog fouling.</p> <p>Dog fouling FPN issued 15/10/2015 for female from intel believed to be regular offender – on embankment playing fields.</p>	<p>Community Protection and Neighbourhood Services</p> <p>Community Protection</p>
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FAMILIES

1. Deliver 4 Family events each year

NCH -Ongoing work with Tenant Involvement Officer to promote training courses and opportunities for personal development for tenants in the Meadows. More planned roadshows to help with this promotion scheduled for Spring/Summer 2016.

1) A number of joint events have been held with partners, these include:

Bridgeway promotion event was held on the 23/07/15

Meadows Partnership Event: 13/08/15

Wheelgate – 43 families attended (across Area 8)

Friday Fun Finders – 15 families attended.

2. Increase female attendance at Meadows Youth Club

100 timetable distributed,

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90% reported it been a highlight over the summer so far

Families have reported it has been great to be outdoors

3. Increase the registration level of under 5's to the children's Centre, to 80%

2) Focus on targeting advertising with girls, Consultation with existing girls that attend.

April – June 15 – 2 females attended
June- August 15 – 8 families attended.

4. Deliver two volunteering course to support

3) Systematically contacting of families,

Quarter 4 – 91% increase 16.9%

NCH

	community involvement in services	<p>Meetings held with Health Team Registration at Family Events Regularly meetings with 2yr programme provider</p> <p>4) Give a little, Gain A lot programme (1st steps into volunteering) have been developed and is due to launch in all sessions in September. A parent booklet is available on the 1st Steps into volunteering.</p>	update in next quarter	
HEALTH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health Services improvements • Activities that improve mental health and physical health • Healthy food 	No updated information received from Health.		
WORKING	1/ More Training opportunities with a key focus on support for young people and people over the age of 40.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Consortium Partnership to be set up to look at employment and skills across area 8. • To look and developing a 	<p>Next Meeting 13th October</p> <p>Draft Jobs and Skills Plan in Place,</p>	<p>MPT</p> <p>Working in Partnership with</p> <p>Nottingham City</p>

	<p>2/ More Employment opportunities locally with a key focus on support for young people and people over the age of 40.</p>	<p>local area employment and skills strategy by march 2016</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gaps in current Training provision to be identified by the partnership • New Training opportunities to be delivered locally by F/E Collages and local training providers. • Pre-employment and skills academies to be delivered locally to meet the needs of local employers • More local computer access to be made available for local people. • Support for local people with Travel costs to be able to attend training. <p>More Volunteering placements and work experience placements to be created local</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More Jobs being created through the City Councils section 106 and NJF • More apprenticeships are being created through the employment and skills 	<p>updated August 15</p> <p>Draft now in place and awaiting approval</p> <p>NCH Tennent Academy Collages continue to deliver locally. Unfortunately Amethyst Training has closed down SBWA continue to be delivered locally</p> <p>7 computers are still available at the One Stop Shop for Free Community Access.</p> <p>Sustrans Travel Grants secured until 31st March 2016</p> <p>New long term volunteering placement created and filled at the Meadows One Stop Shop MPT Promote all current section 106 vacancy's</p> <p>Year 2 funding secured to support 18-24 year olds</p>	<p>Councils Employment and Skills Team</p> <p>Library service</p> <p>Futures</p> <p>F/E Collages</p> <p>DWP</p> <p>Nottingham City Councils Neighbourhood development officers</p> <p>Nottingham city Councils Children's services</p> <p>Nottingham City Councils Young Persons Panel</p> <p>Area 8 Consortium Partners</p> <p>Sustrans Travel support scheme</p> <p>MPT</p> <p>Working in Partnership with</p> <p>Nottingham City Councils Employment</p>
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	<p>3/ local support for people wanting to set up their own businesses including more opportunities for existing self-employed people.</p>	<p>apprentice Hub based Within City Council.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Jobs Fairs delivered locally • 1-1 Employment support • Support people gaining employment with Travel Costs to access employment • . Identity support organisations to support self-employment opportunities • Ongoing promotion of local opportunities for self-employed individuals 	<p>unemployed between 13-39 weeks (pre work programme to access Training and employment support</p> <p>Attended and promoted the Jobs Fair on the 8th September at Capital FM Arena</p> <p>Support available Monday – Friday 9pm – 1pm and 2pm – 4’30</p> <p>Sustrans Travel Grants secured until March 2016</p> <p>Referrals made when appropriate</p> <p>Ongoing promotion</p>	<p>and Skills Team</p> <p>Futures</p> <p>DWP</p> <p>Nottingham City Councils Neighbourhood development officers</p> <p>Nottingham city Councils Children’s services</p> <p>Nottingham City Councils Young Persons Panel</p> <p>Area 8 Consortium 3rd sector Partners</p> <p>Sustrans Travel support scheme</p>
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Community Engagement

Events Delivered

Event	Lead Partners	Date/Time	Venue

Future Events and Activities Planned

Event	Lead Partners	Date/Time	Venue
Bridgeway Centre Christmas Event	MPT / NCC	12 th December 1 -5pm	Bridgeway Centre
Christmas Grotto with Santa	Meadows Library - NCC	12 th December 11am -1.00pm	Meadows Library
YCYV Dragons Den	NCC	1 st December 2015 – 6.00pm - 8.30pm	Queens Walk Community Centre

Community Engagement

Ward Walks

Area/Estate	Date/Time	Meeting Point
Cromarty Court, hope Close, Middle Furlong, Gritley Mews, Castlefields, Queens Walk, Meadows Ways West, Kelso Gardens	Tuesday 22 nd September 2015 – 11.00am	Outside Meadows Police Station
Lammas, Uppingham, Eugene, St Saviours, Arkwright Walk	Thursday 26 th November 2015 – 11.00am	Outside One Stop Shop
Collygate, Turney, Felton, Green Street, Woodward, Pyatt, Bunbury	Thursday 28 th January 2016 – 11.00am	Corner of Bathley & Collygate
Ainsworth, Anmer, Royston, Castleton, Hatley, Saffron	Tuesday 23 rd February 2016 – 11.00am	Corner of Ainsworth & Royston

Community Meetings

Group	Date	Venue
Queens Walk Community Association Meeting	Last Monday of every month (except for December) starting at 7.30pm	Queens Walk Community Centre
NMTRA Public Meeting	8 th October 2015 – 6.30pm	Queens Walk Rec Pavilion
MPT – Public Meeting	16 th October 2015 – 6.30pm	Queens Walk Community Centre

Finance

- **Ward Councillor Budgets** (as at 13/10/2014)

Budget carried forward	£-20 (overspend from 2014/15 allocation):
Ward Councillors allocation for 2015/16	£10,000
Total amount available	£9,980 (Minus £20 overspend from 2014/15)
Returned/De-committed at 14/08/2015	£4,112
Total amount allocated as of 01/10/2015	£4,297
Total unallocated at 01/10/2015	£9,795
Total amount available 2015/2016	£9,795

- **Area Capital Fund**

Total amount allocated 2015/2016 £7,453

- ACF LTP Allocation 2015/2016 £66,000
- ACF LTP carryover from 2013/2015 £4,725
- ACF Public Realm Allocation 2015/2016 £39,450
- ACF Public Realm carryover from 2013/2015 £15,012
- Less LTP scheme £12,453
- Less Public Realm scheme £5,000
- Total ACF Available 2015/2016 £107,734
- **Others – Section 106, NCH Environmentals, Other Funding**