

## BASFORD & BESTWOOD AREA 2 COMMITTEE – 29 MARCH 2017

<b>Title of paper:</b>	Basford and Bestwood Wards Report	
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<b>Relevant Council Plan Key Theme:</b>		
Strategic Regeneration and Development		<input type="checkbox"/>
Schools		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Planning and Housing		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Community Services		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Energy, Sustainability and Customer		<input type="checkbox"/>
Jobs, Growth and Transport		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Adults, Health and Community Sector		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Children, Early Intervention and Early Years		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Leisure and Culture		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Resources and Neighbourhood Regeneration		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/service users):</b>		
<p>This report focusses on current priorities and issues facing the Basford and Bestwood wards and provides details of forthcoming events and activities. The report replaces the previous Performance report which used operational data supplied by the Crime and Drugs Partnership.</p>		
<b>Recommendation:</b>		
<b>1</b>	That the priorities, current issues and supporting information for the Basford and Bestwood Wards be noted and comments welcomed.	

### **1 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 1.1 Each Ward manages a set of priorities and key issues through regular meetings of its Neighbourhood Action Team (NAT). These meetings are led by Neighbourhood Development Officers (NDOs) and supported by core partners including Nottingham City Homes (NCH), Neighbourhood Policing, Community Protection, Children and Early Help, City Services / Waste Management; Fire and Rescue Services and Health.

- 1.2 Ward Councillors are also invited to participate in these meetings.
- 1.3 Ward priorities are identified and informed from a range of sources including Citizens, Councillors, Partners and Officers and current issues will be updated for each area committee.
- 1.4 The list of events and activities will take account of the work which all NDOs undertake with partner organisations within their Ward and shows the depth of activity in place working alongside neighbourhood management to improve social cohesion and tackle priorities at a ward and area level.

## **2 BACKGROUND (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)**

- 2.1 The Basford and Bestwood Wards sit within the wider Area 2 Committee which adopted four area based priorities at its first Area Cluster meeting – crime and grime, youth provision, bringing derelict sites into use and the social isolation of older people.
- 2.2 These priorities demonstrate a link to the City Council’s current ambitions contained in the latest City Council Plan 2015 - 19. Actions for each priority will be developed and led by appropriate service teams and partnerships. The Area priorities were reported to the Area 2 Committee on 24<sup>th</sup> February 2016 and will be updated at twice a year at Area Committee.
- 2.3 The area priorities listed in 2.1 sit within wider pieces of work and broader agendas which are being addressed by multi agency approaches across the City. At a Ward level it is important to identify how some of these more complex priorities can be worked on at local levels – either ward or area by introducing local solutions. This could, for example, include more targeted use of funding such as Ward Councillor budgets to support healthy eating initiatives or the use of Area Capital to develop an outdoor gym facility.
- 2.4 The current Ward priorities which have been reported previously through the area committee performance reports are shown in Appendix 1 (Bestwood) and 2 (Basford). These priorities will be updated for each area committee, taking into account discussions at NAT meetings and various groups and activities involving local residents.
- 2.5 Appendices 1(Bestwood) and 2 (Basford) sets out the current key issues.
- 2.6 Appendices 1(Bestwood) and 2 (Basford) highlights the forthcoming opportunities for citizens to engage in events and activities in their neighbourhoods.

## **3 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 3.1 None.

## **4 FINANCE COMMENTS (INCLUDING IMPLICATIONS AND VALUE FOR MONEY/VAT)**

- 4.1 None.

**5 LEGAL AND PROCUREMENT COMMENTS (INCLUDING RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES, AND LEGAL, CRIME AND DISORDER ACT AND PROCUREMENT IMPLICATIONS)**

5.1 None.

**6 STRATEGIC ASSETS & PROPERTY COMMENTS (FOR DECISION RELATING TO ALL PROPERTY ASSETS AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE) (AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS ONLY)**

6.1 None.

**7 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

7.1 An EIA is not required as this is not a new or changing policy, service or function. Appendix 1 & 2 highlights the forthcoming opportunities for citizens to engage in events and activities in their neighbourhoods

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

8.1 None.

**9 PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT**

9.1 None.

## APPENDIX 1

### Bestwood Ward Priorities

#### Safer Nottingham

Priority	Progress since last Area Committee	Lead
To reduce all crime	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>As of January all crime down 12 offences (1%) year to date.</li> <li>No patterns</li> </ul>	Police
To reduce anti-social behaviour in the neighbourhood priority area, focusing upon hotspots, diversionary activities and nuisance neighbours	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>As of January ASB down 167 incidents (20%) year to date.</li> <li>Promoting new PSPO Legislation</li> </ul> <p>From the 26<sup>th</sup> September 2016 CPO's were given the power to issue FPN's under the new PSPO Legislation. They still continued to educate members of the public before issuing with an FPN in the first instance. CPO's within the Bestwood Ward are now issuing tickets under the PSPO Legislation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Community Protection Warning Letters</li> </ul> <p>For gardens/noise, 5 CPWL's issued in November, 6 CPWL's issued in December and 4 CPWL's issued in January.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Community Protection Notice</li> </ul> <p>One issued in January for noise nuisance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dog Ops - November 41 ops, December 26 ops and January 59 ops</li> <li>Fixed Penalty Notices</li> </ul> <p>November – 17 for littering and 3 for dog fouling, December – 3 for littering and 2 for dog fouling and January – 7 for littering and 3 for</p>	Police, Community Protection, NCH, Early Help & Area Lead.

	<p>dog fouling</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Detached youth sessions undertaken by Community Based Fitness every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Youth ASB been very quiet.</li> </ul>	
To take action against deliberate fire setting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Low number of deliberate fires (Oct – 4, Nov – 0, Dec – 0, Jan - 2) – no patterns. YTD as of January 50% down.</li> </ul>	Fire Service
To address domestic violence through prevention and support services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Partner referral to Freedom Programme – for victims of domestic violence. Sep to Dec 12 participants completed. New programme started in January 17.</li> <li>• White Ribbon Campaign (Nov) – pledges made by young people at Ridge.</li> </ul>	Police and Early Help

### Neighbourhood Nottingham

Priority	Progress since last Area Committee	Lead
To improve the visual appearance of neighbourhoods by tackling hot spot areas and developing derelict land	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Undertaking monthly Cllr ward walks.</li> <li>• Deep cleans: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10/11 Drying area cleared and moss removed Jacklin Gardens</li> <li>• 15/11 Resident's Garage on Elswick Close cleared (previously requested on a ward walk)</li> <li>• 29/11 Litter, moss and leaf clearance footpath and steps Thompson Gardens/ Churchfield Plantation</li> <li>• 7/12 - drying area Pagham Court rubbish and moss removal</li> <li>• 9/12 - footpath Belconnen Road bordering City Hospital, also top of banks</li> <li>• 10/1 Footpath Peary Close - moss, leaf and litter removal</li> <li>• 21/2 - footpath clearance and tree branches Henning Gardens / Ranskill Gardens - identified on ward walk</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Litter pick with 120 pupils from Southglade Primary School on Sandy Banks Nature Reserve (Jan), and further litter pick with Eco Warriors (Feb).</li> <li>• Works commenced for WREN improvements to Hucknall Walkway.</li> <li>• Works commenced for s.106 improvements to Sunrise Hill</li> </ul>	City Services, Community Protection, NCH and Regeneration

	<p>Nature Reserve.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Re-deployable CCTV – successful deterrent for fly tipping at Sweeny Court. NAT reviewing its next position</li> </ul>	
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### Families Nottingham

Priority	Progress since last Area Committee	Lead
Maintain activities for young people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Youth strategy group mapping provision</li> <li>• CBF delivering football sessions at Southglade and three nights a week outreach.</li> <li>• Early Help Early providing three youth sessions a week for 13-19 year olds at the Ridge from September</li> <li>• Early Help providing four play sessions a week for 6-13 year olds at the Ridge</li> <li>• All schools providing after school provision up to 4.30 pm.</li> </ul>	Early Help, Area Lead
Increase awareness of welfare reform and support services	<p>Research into causes of residents accessing food banks and what agencies need to be doing to support this.</p> <p>Training delivered for staff and volunteers on Loan Sharks and Nottingham Credit Union.</p>	Bestwood Financial Resilience Group

### Health Nottingham

Priority	Progress since last Area Committee	Lead
To reduce childhood obesity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nutrition Team worked with SAC to provide new Make, Move and Munch Club – 6 weekly programme – cooking and physical activity starting February.</li> <li>• 1 hour outdoor activity provided in all youth and play sessions</li> <li>• Southglade Leisure Centre - £407k investment – extended gym area with new equipment</li> </ul>	Public Health, City Care Nutrition Team, Southglade Leisure Centre, schools
To support local volunteers, raise aspirations and support community empowerment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bestwood Got Talent – auditions (January), final (March).</li> <li>• New intake of Early Help volunteers – April.</li> </ul>	NAT
To promote mental health services and mental well being	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aspire Partnership –‘FREE TO BE ME’- be kind to one another campaign in all schools (November)</li> <li>• Numerous Christmas community events during December –</li> </ul>	Public Health, NAT, Community & Voluntary Sector

	<p>promoting community cohesion, reducing social isolation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Partnership work into feasibility of a new super kitchen – aim to promote social cohesion, reduce social isolation, utilise wasted food and healthy eating.</li> </ul>	
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### Working Nottingham

Priority	Progress since last Area Committee	Lead
To raise awareness of job opportunities and provide support to get people into employment.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Early Help and NCN providing adult learning programme at SAC.</li> <li>Area Based Grant – to be reported separately to Area Committee</li> <li>Step Into Work Programme for 18-29 year olds – provide 121 support to move into education, work or apprenticeships. Programme is funded until March 2018. Main referrer is JCP</li> </ul> <p>Figures up until January 2016 The programme has engaged with 278 people from Area 2 since April 2014. Right Track have worked with 119 of these, Futures have worked with 131 and the other 28 have worked with other community organisations.</p> <p>Outcomes in Area 2 since April 2014 (all partners):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jobs – 49</li> <li>Apprenticeships – 58</li> <li>Learning (FTE) – 6</li> </ul> <p>Total into EET = 119 Therefore 43% (119 out of 278) of those engaging on the programme have gone into work / education.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>North Jobs Fair – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March at Bulwell Riverside – 30 employers with live vacancies.</li> </ul>	NCC Economic Development Area Lead Bestwood Partnership

### List of key current issues (taken from latest NAT Review)

- Youth Strategy Group looking at provision to identify gaps and steer work of Early Help and Area Based Grant (ABG)
- The Ridge Adventure Playground – internal works due to commence shortly

- Deployment of CCTV camera – planned movement to Belconnen area
- Ongoing targeted dog fouling operations & raising awareness of PSPO
- Parking in front of the Ridge – funds required to restrict access.
- ASB on Southglade Park

### **Opportunities for citizens to engage - forthcoming dates of events and activities**

- 8<sup>th</sup> February – Cllr Ward Walk – Henning Gardens, Chevin Gardens, Kyle View area
- 8<sup>th</sup> March – Cllr Ward Walk, Stevenholme Crescent area
- 11<sup>th</sup> March – Voluntary Groups Forum 10-12 at Bestwood Estate Community Centre
- 16<sup>th</sup> March – Bestwood's Got Talent Final 6-7.30pm at The Peoples Church
- 12<sup>th</sup> April – Cllr Ward Walk – location tbc
- 10<sup>th</sup> May – Cllr Ward Walk – location tbc
- 7<sup>th</sup> June – Cllr Ward Walk – location tbc



## APPENDIX 2

### Basford Ward Priorities

#### Safer Nottingham

Priority	Progress since last Area Committee	Lead
Promote Nottingham Alert and Twitter	Over 600 followers	Police
Reduce crime and Anti-social behaviour, focusing on hotspots, by increasing patrols and diversionary activities	Meeting with affected party taken place. Plan of action being considered. Additional diversionary activities to start in new year. Detached youth sessions undertaken by CBF where and when ASB reported.	NAT
To take action to reduce deliberate fires	Numbers reduced and no pattern to incidents.	Fire Service

#### Neighbourhood Nottingham

Priority	Progress since last Area Committee	Lead
Support Community groups and organisations to hold events	Regular meetings are held to discuss issues and plan events.	Neighbourhood Management
Promote interest in Tenants and Residents groups	Discussions are ongoing regards merger of TRA to strengthen community group in the Highbury Vale area. Officer / Cllr level discussions have taken place and discussions are ongoing with the local community.	Nottingham City Homes
Target litter, dog fouling and fly tipping	Ongoing with regular enforcement action.	NAT
Promote bulky waste appointment service and reduce bin contamination		Waste Management
Promote community litter pick events with TRA's schools, and residents	A number of community litter picks have happened this year. More will be planned from the spring onwards.	NAT
Improve parking around Southwark School by installing additional bollards	Waiting for installation by contractors.	Traffic Management
Improving footways on Hayling Drive and Runton Drive	Odd side are complete. Even sides to be completed by mid-March 2017.	Highways
NTIP	Tree maintenance for Vernon Road – Level crossing to Catchems Corner – planned for end of March 2017.	Parks and Open Spaces

Improving the Visual appearance of the neighbourhoods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Days of Action to focus on the larger alleyways known locally as twitchells.</li> <li>• Litter picks with local groups and schools</li> </ul>	NM
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### Families Nottingham

Priority	Progress since last Area Committee	Lead
Explore weekly youth group on Whitemoor estate	This has proved difficult due to the lack of a suitable site.	Early Help
Working with partners to secure additional funding for young people activities	A number of bids have been submitted with partners but without success.	NM
Additional sessions for young people in the Rosegarth and Heathfield Areas	Football sessions on Southwark School have been extended from spring to winter and new sessions on Heathfield are planned to start from the summer.	Early Help and NM
Summer Programme	A programme of activities and fun days are being planned for summer 2017.	NM

### Health Nottingham

Priority	Progress since last Area Committee	Lead
Increase physical activity including cycling and walking projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• These are ongoing.</li> <li>• New gym equipment and table tennis table installed on Stockhill Park.</li> </ul>	Health, TravelRigh, Parks
To reduce childhood obesity		Public Health, Schools and Henry Mellish S C

### Working Nottingham

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To raise awareness of job opportunities and provide support to get people into employment.	<p>Facebook and other media are being used to promote job and training opportunities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Area Based Grant – to be reported separately to Area Committee</li> <li>• Step Into Work Programme for 18-29 year olds – provide 121 support to move into education, work or apprenticeships. Programme is funded until March 2018. Main referrer is JCP</li> </ul>	NCC Economic Development, Bestwood Partnership

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**List of key current issues (taken from latest NAT Review)**

- Continued promotion of neighbourhood alert ( over 600 ) and My Basford Facebook ( Approximately 200)
- Review depending on policing resources of 4 weeks 4 streets initiative
- To promote the existing provision for young people on Heathfield and explore additional sessions in the Stockhill and Whitemoor Areas
- Undertaking regular ward walks
- Continue monitoring activities around the Colsons site after recent improvements – working with the Environment Agency to seek improvements on operation or to take enforcement action and Nottingham City Council powers
- Day of Action in through the year planned.
- Launch of We're Watching You Campaign into Basford – spring 2017
- Ongoing targeted dog fouling and fly tipping operations, targeting the Brooklyn Bridge and Vernon Park areas.
- Support establishment of new Employment and Skills Partnership
- Promote family learning opportunities provided by NCH and local colleges
- Continue investment into the Parks in the area – focusing on gym equipment on Stockhill Park and improvements to the gate and pavilion security

- To improve the state of trees in the area
- Improving the environment by encouraging residents to keep front areas clean
- Parking issues around schools – additional bollards planned around Southwark School.
- Explore ways to reduce vandalism to trams along the River Leen path
- Discourage parking on grass verges to improve visual appearance of neighbourhoods – action taken on Bagnall Road and Ladbrooke Crescent.

### **Opportunities for citizens to engage - forthcoming dates of events and activities**

- Monthly meeting with Stockhill and Ladbrooke Tenants and Residents
- Monthly meetings with Highbury Vale Tenants and Residents
- Monthly meetings with Rosegay TRA
- Quarterly meetings with Friends of Vernon Park
- Quarterly Ward Forums
- Day of Action around alleyways – February 2017, May 2017, July 2017 and November 2017
- Ward Walk – Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March (Riber Crescent area), 18<sup>th</sup> May and 22<sup>nd</sup> June