

BASFORD AND BESTWOOD AREA COMMITTEE – 06 JUNE 2018

Title of paper:	Ward Reports		
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Relevant Council Plan Key Theme:			
Strategic Regeneration and Development			X
Schools			
Planning and Housing			X
Community Services			X
Energy, Sustainability and Customer			
Jobs, Growth and Transport			X
Adults, Health and Community Sector			X
Children, Early Intervention and Early Years			X
Leisure and Culture			X
Resources and Neighbourhood Regeneration			X
Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/service users):			
This report focusses on current priorities and issues facing the two wards within Area 2 and gives details of forthcoming events and activities. It also highlights the latest issues now being addressed through regular Neighbourhood Action Team (NAT) meetings.			
Recommendation:			
1	To note the progress on Ward priorities and other supporting information including the issues being addressed by each Neighbourhood Action Team, and upcoming opportunities for citizens to engage (Appendix 1 & 2).		

1 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.1 Each Ward has agreed priorities which link to the City Council's current ambitions contained in the latest City Council Plan 2015 - 19. Actions for each priority are developed and led by appropriate service teams and partnerships.
- 1.2 These priorities are updated for each Area Committee, taking into account discussions at NAT meetings and various groups and activities involving Councillors, residents, and local groups.
- 1.3 The events and activities detailed in the report take account of the work undertaken by Neighbourhood Development Officers (NDOs), with partner organisations, within the wards. It shows a range of activity in place across neighbourhoods to improve social cohesion and tackle priorities at a ward and area level.

2 BACKGROUND (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)

- 2.1 Each Ward manages a set of priorities and key issues through regular meetings of the NAT. These meetings are led by Neighbourhood Development Officers (NDOs) and supported by core partners including: Nottingham City Homes (NCH), Neighbourhood Policing, Community Protection, Early Help, City Services/Waste Management, Fire and Rescue Services, Employment and Skills, and Health.
- 2.2 Ward Councillors are also invited to participate in these meetings.
- 2.3 Ward priorities are identified through a range of sources including: Citizens, Councillors, Partners, and Officers and current issues will be updated for each area committee.
- 2.4 Area Committee Chairs will be invited to review the latest Ward Reports to ensure that the format is accessible for Councillors and community representatives and that there is sufficient consistency across all areas.
- 2.5 The current individual Ward priorities, Key Issues, and Opportunities for Engagement for Basford and Bestwood are shown in Appendices 1 and 2 respectively and will be updated for each Area Committee.

3 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 None

4 FINANCE COMMENTS

- 4.1 None

5 LEGAL AND PROCUREMENT COMMENTS

- 5.1 None

6 STRATEGIC ASSETS & PROPERTY

- 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 and 2 highlight 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 - Basford Ward Report

Neighbourhood Nottingham

Priority	Progress since last area committee (6 December 2017)	Lead
To improve the visual appearance of neighbourhoods by tackling hot spot areas and developing derelict land (NAT, Area Committee and Councillor Ward Pledges)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cleanliness score remained on target of 89 for period up to February 2018 New bins to be installed on BUFC by in February 2018 and litter/dog fouling being monitored Two Cllr ward walks Area Capital programme for 2018 developed with a number of schemes seeking approval at this Committee <p>Housing Developments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Northern Court – works nearing completion on major development 	City Services, Community Protection, NCH and Regeneration
To complete Toton Close Grander Scheme by end of May 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Detailed design and costings complete. Costings agreed. Works are due to start mid-May with modifications due to technical issues 	NM/NCH/Highway design
Support community groups and organisations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regular meeting held to discuss ongoing issues with TRA's and community groups Events are planned and run in partnership with community groups. 2018 programme almost complete Support the development of CBF Gymnasium in managing the Henry Mellish Centre. Put additional bids for funding using consultants. Bids being developed as opportunities arise 	NM/Area Lead/CBF
Target litter, dog fouling and fly tipping	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enforcement, education and under cover ops 	City Services, Community Protection and community groups
Colson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to monitor performance and report issues to the Environment Agency and other partners such as Severn Trent. EA have brought successful prosecution under their permit. NCC supporting prosecution with evidence and witnesses. Sentencing to be heard in May 2018. 	NM, Community Protection and Environmental Health

Ward Councillor Grants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> These were awarded to a range of community groups and projects funding fun days, sports clubs and play schemes in the area. Five bids approved. 	NM
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Safer Nottingham

Priority	Progress since last area committee (6 December 2017)	Lead
To reduce all crime (NAT and Area Committee priority)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase in patrols in effected areas Residents given advice on crime prevention in effected areas Information provided via media such as Twitter and Facebook 	Police
To reduce anti-social behaviour in the neighbourhood priority area, focusing upon hotspots, diversionary activities and nuisance neighbours (NAT and Area Committee priority)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Providing information on making properties safer Detached youth sessions undertaken when and where ASB reported Additional youth sessions to be provided at Heathfield Community Centre from May 2018 through to summer Football sessions to be provided at Southwark School for most of year as diversionary activity in Rosegarth area To use the NCH Mediation Service where appropriate to reduce escalation of incidents 	Police, Community Protection, NCH, Early Help & Area Lead.
To take action against deliberate fire setting (NAT priority)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fire Service to monitor incidents Education in schools in effected areas To make safe the derelict buildings of Church Street along railway track 	Fire Service NAT partners

Families Nottingham

Priority	Progress since last area committee (6 December 2017)	Lead
Maintain activities for young people (NAT, Area Committee and Councillor Ward Pledges)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Youth provision mapping for Basford complete Area Lead continue to deliver free football sessions at Southwark School Early Help Early providing youth sessions at Heathfield Community Centre Additional session at Heathfield to re-start in May 2018. 	Early Help, Area Lead

2018 Programme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A number of events being planned for 2018 to take place on Basford parks and community facilities • Play scheme to run on Stockhill Park over school holidays on Wednesdays and sports sessions on Saturdays over the summer months • Sports camps at Henry Mellish Sports Centre over Easter and Summer • Arts and crafts sessions to be held at various sites through the year 	NM, Area Lead and community groups
Parks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Former Goldcrest Road playground to be improved and made into an amenity space by May 2018 	Parks and community groups

Health Nottingham

Priority	Progress since last area committee (6 December 2017)	Lead
To reduce childhood obesity (NAT priority)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sports camps held at Henry Mellish during school holidays and play schemes at Stockhill Park • Improved play and gym equipment on parks in Basford 	NM, Parks and Area Lead
Cycling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improvements to cycling routes planned around Church Street area to 	Transport Planning

Working Nottingham

Priority	Progress since last area committee (6 December 2017)	Lead
To raise awareness of job opportunities and provide support to get people into employment. (NAT, Councillor Ward Pledges)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early Help and NCN providing adult learning programme at SAC. • Area Based Grant – to be reported separately to Area Committee • Step Into Work Programme – As of April 2017-18 programme deliverer changed to Bestwood Partnership • Promote job opportunities on mybasford facebook and through community networks 	NCC Economic Development Area Lead - Bestwood Partnership

Key current issues

- Continued promotion of neighbourhood alert (over 600) and My Basford Facebook (Approximately 200)
- Undertaking regular ward walks
- Continue monitoring activities around the Colson site after recent improvements – working with the Environment Agency to seek improvements on operation or to take enforcement action and Nottingham City Council powers. Support EA at sentencing hearing in May 2018 with evidence and witness statements
- Days of Action on Lincoln Street, Whitemoor allotments board walk and cycle track
- Ongoing targeted dog fouling and fly tipping operations, targeting the Brooklyn Bridge and Vernon Park areas – install new fencing to Brooklyn Bridge to reduce fly tipping. Funding has been approved and design work has started.
- Speed enforcement on Bagnall Road, Vernon Avenue and the banned turns at David Lane level crossing
- Continue investment into the Parks in the area – focusing on Whitemoor Park and Stockhill Park
- To improve the state of trees in the area – Highbury Road works complete and Percy Street works are ongoing

Opportunities for citizens to engage – forthcoming dates of events and activities.

- Monthly meeting with Stockhill and Ladbroke Tenants and Residents
- Explore re-launching the Highbury Vale Tenants and Residents group
- Quarterly meetings with Friends of Vernon Park
- Day of Action being planned for May, June and July 2018
- Ward Walk – Thursday 17th May, 21 June, 19 July
- Playscheme in school holidays at Stockhill Park and Mellish Sports Centre
- Fun day, on 30th May (Stockhill Park), 20th July (Vernon Park) – 2 others in planning stages

Appendix 2 Bestwood Ward Report

Neighbourhood Nottingham

Priority	Progress since last area committee (December 2017)	Lead
<p>To improve the visual appearance of neighbourhoods by tackling hot spot areas and developing derelict land (NAT, Area Committee and Councillor Ward Pledges)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cleanliness score achieved 88 during February 2018 • Undertaking monthly Cllr ward walks where partners pick up and respond to issues. • Partnership approach to Lytham Gardens area to address environmental issues – deep cleans, education raising via delivery of fly tipping letter to 200+ properties and regular high visibility patrols by CP and Police – notable reduced fly tipping and a number of warrants issued during Jan / February 2018. • Notable cleaning activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bin to be relocated to Kyle View shops to address increased litter problems since new convenience store opened. • November - Hucknall Road linear walkway, litter and fly-tip removal • December - Deep clean of NCH communal drying areas Chediston Vale and Broadwood Road - shrub pruning, rubbish and moss removal. • January – Deep clean of Lytham Gardens area – clearing paths, weeding, moss removal, sweeping and removing fly tips. • February - Deep clean of communal flats complexes Broadwood Road - moss removal, Shrub and tree maintenance, Path clearance • March- Partnership Spring Clean of Ranskill Gardens, Winscale and Leiston Gardens - Litter pick, fly-tip removal, path clearance. • April - Sandy Banks - mowing, fly-tip removal, litter pick. • Continued works for WREN improvements to Hucknall Walkway. Costing up options for replacement of fencing on Hucknall Road. • S.106 improvements to Sun Rise Hill nature reserve continue. • April - Sandy Banks Nature Reserve. Wildlife in the City Volunteers cleared scrub off the bee banks to open up the sandstone for basking insects and making nest sites for solitary bees and wasps. • Visual and accessibility improvements to the Elmbridge Shopping precinct area completed – £100k worth of works including new planters, improved brickwork and accessibility and signage completed November 2017. 	<p>City Services Neighbourhood Management Community Protection Nottingham City Homes</p>

	<p>Housing Developments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hazel Hill site complete and occupied – 20 bungalows and community room. • Padstow Site (Poplar Heights): Master planning now complete, designs being worked up to planning stage – estimate new build of 290 units of mixed tenure of social rent, market rent and market sale. Planning application estimated August 2018, with a start on site in March 2019. • Ridgeway field - Revised scheme design of 62 units has been produced. All surveys are complete. Planning will follow on from Padstow. Start on site scheduled for summer 2019. • Beckhampton Road playing field - Draft scheme designs for 102 units have been produced. Site surveys are yet to be carried out. Start on site scheduled for Autumn 2019. • Eastglade site - Going to planning at the end of May, the anticipated start on site date is October 2018, unit numbers has increased to 64, using low carbon properties with innovative build techniques and a community garden and allotment plan. The units will be owned by NCH. • Haywood playing field, Bestwood Park: NCC are reviewing options concerning who are going to develop this site. • Ranskill Gardens – Demolition commenced January 2018. Building 8 low energy homes aimed for first time buyers. Build expected March to October 2018. 	
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Safer Nottingham

Priority	Progress since last area committee (December 2017)	Lead
To reduce all crime (NAT and Area Committee priority)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As of end of March 2018 all crime up 347 offences (30%) compared to the same time in the previous year. • Regular analysis of data to identify trends / patterns - no patterns • Additional policing resources through introduction of Operation Reacher – April 2018. 	Police

To reduce anti-social behaviour in the neighbourhood priority area, focusing upon hotspots, diversionary activities and nuisance neighbours (NAT and Area Committee priority)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As of end of March 2018 ASB down 132 incidents (18%) compared to the same time in the previous year. <p>Community Protection team continue to be proactive in area. For November to April 2018, they issued the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Protection Warning Letters (for gardens / noise) –Between Nov and April - 18 Community Protection Notice Between Nov and April -5 Dog Ops – Nov – 9, Dec – 13, Jan – 7, Feb – 10, March – 9, April - 8 Fixed Penalty Notices (e.g. littering / dog fouling / fly tipping / cycling on pavements) – Nov – 6, Dec – 6, Jan – 1, Feb – 5, March – 5, April - 12 Detached youth work to recommence on three nights a week in the summer months commissioned by Area Lead. Youth ASB shows a 16% decrease on the previous year with 149 incidents during 2017/18. 	Police, Community Protection, NCH, Early Help & Area Lead.
To take action against deliberate fire setting (NAT priority)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No patterns of deliberate fires. Fire Service to undertake preventative work through engagement with secondary schools. 	Fire Service
To address domestic violence through prevention and support services (NAT priority)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing rolling Freedom Programme – for victims of domestic violence. 	Police and Early Help

Families Nottingham

Priority	Progress since last Area Committee	Lead
Maintain activities for young people (NAT, Area Committee and Councillor Ward Pledges)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Youth Strategy Group: Bestwood dance group (Red Dance) grown to 18-20 in attendance. Dance group competed in Bestwood's Got Talent 2018. CBF continue to deliver free football sessions at Southglade during lighter nights and three nights a week outreach around the area. Early Help providing three youth sessions a week for 13-19 year olds at the Ridge. 	Early Help, Area Lead

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early Help providing three play sessions a week for 6-13 year olds at the Ridge. • Community and voluntary groups continue to deliver youth provision in the area (e.g. The Peoples Church, Messy Church, Arnold Road Evangelical Church, Scouts, and other sports clubs). • All schools providing after school provision up to 4.30 pm. • Schools Out programme delivered at Southglade Leisure Centre during holiday periods. 	
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Health Nottingham

Priority	Progress since last Area Committee	Lead
To reduce childhood obesity (NAT priority)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 hour outdoor activity provided in all youth and play sessions • Schools Out programme ran during school holidays at Southglade Leisure Centre. 	Public Health, City Care Nutrition Team, Southglade Leisure Centre, schools
To support local volunteers, raise aspirations and support community empowerment (NAT priority)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bestwood Got Talent 2018 – 13 acts participated in final show during March. 	NAT, Area Lead
To promote mental health services and mental wellbeing (NAT and Area Committee priority)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bestop Kitchen continues to grow – averaging 80+ people each week. Now running an additional Thursday evening once a month that launched in April attracting 60 people. • Wellbeing 1 day course delivered in March with 15 local residents attending who learn coping mechanisms. This was funded by the Bestwood Councillors. • Continue to provide a varied programme of community events to reduce social isolation and promote community cohesion – Bestwood Christmas Launch (600+ in attendance), variety of other community Christmas events, Bestwood's Got Talent (March 2018). 	Public Health, NAT, Community & Voluntary Sector

Working Nottingham

Priority	Progress since last Area Committee	Lead
To raise awareness of job opportunities and provide support to get people into employment. (NAT, Councillor Ward Pledges)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early Help and NCN providing adult learning programme at SAC. • Area Based Grant – to be reported separately to Area Committee • Step Into Work Programme – As of April 2017-18 programme deliverer changed to Bestwood Partnership • Jobs Fair delivered in March 2018 at Bulwell Riverside 	NCC Economic Development Area Lead - Bestwood Partnership

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

- Motorbikes/motorised scooters/mini motos/quad bikes (Respect Survey priority)
- Dog fouling (Respect Survey priority)
- Rubbish and litter lying around (Respect Survey priority) - Fly tipping / rubbish in NCH communal flat areas and sporadic fly tips on streets
- Criminal damage (Respect Survey priority) – no patterns
- Drug offences (Respect Survey priority)

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

- **Community Protection – Day of Action** – enforcement focus 26th April 2018.
- **Councillor Ward Walks** –18th April (Top Valley), 16th May (Bestwood), 13th June (location tbc), 11th July (location tbc)
- **Bestwood's Cultural Festival** – 7th July 2018 12-3pm at Bestwood Park Church
- **Leen Valley Community Centre Fun Day** – 7th July 2018, 12-3pm
- **Southglade Park Live** – 1st August, 12-4pm