

# NCH update report



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	Item	Executive Summary / Key Points	For information or decision
1	Capital Programme & major works	<p><b>Grander designs at Foxton Court</b> This is an extensive project covering many areas of the site. A planning application has been submitted and awaiting approval. The project team is progressing with planning the works and finalising all costs. Fire alarm will also be replaced.</p> <p><b>Improvement works</b> The government investigation into concerns about the consistency of flat entrance doors has concluded. Nationwide have tested a CE certified fire door which is now ready to manufacture before fitting in the outstanding flat front doors including Leaseholders across all high and low rise.</p> <p>Kitchen and bathroom replacements continue with positive feedback from customers for the work J Tomlinson are undertaking. At handover the number of defects is low. CRaM are due to work on 65 kitchens and bathrooms this financial year.</p>	Information

		Roof replacements across the City are ongoing with J Tomlinson with work completed to a high standard. Roofing work in progress now will be complete in time for Christmas so scaffolding will be removed.	
2	Area Regeneration and Environmental Issues	<p><b>Grander Designs at Foxton Gardens</b> Residents have been consulted and are excited by the proposed plans for Foxton Gardens. Amongst the changes they have agreed to are a new canopy/porch, a new layout for the foyer, and a new scooter store that will double the scooter storage capacity on site. A decision on these proposed changes is due imminently from the planning team. Works are also underway to refresh the design and improve the central courtyard garden.</p> <p><b>Henley and Gellestrop almshouses</b> We have installed new kitchens and bathrooms at these almshouses in Bilborough, that we manage on behalf of the Henley and Gellestrop Trust.</p> <p><b>Garage demolitions</b> Garages in the following locations will be demolished in 2019/20 to improve the streetscape, prevent ASB and make the area more pleasant for residents. Garages near 20/22 Chingford Road, Beechdale (The area will be grassed) Garages behind 36 Glaisdale Drive East (it is proposed to use the area to build bungalows) Garages near 8 Prestwick Close (The area will be used for parking) Garages next to 1 Kildonnán Close, Strelley (The area will be grassed) Garages on Seaton Crescent (The area will be made into parking and green space)</p>	Decision
3	Key messages from Tenant &	<b>100 Years 100 Trees</b>	Information

	Leaseholder Involvement	<p>In celebration of the centenary year of housing NCH have received funding from Urban Tree challenge. 10 trees were planted at Woodthorpe Park in November 19. Trees are due to be planted across a further 10 sites in 2020. One of the sites is Fenwick Close. Members of the local community group in Broxtowe developed plans for trees on Fenwick Close and local residents opted for varieties of bee friendly fruit trees.</p> <p><b>Bee Hotels</b> NCH is keen to support NCC's goal to make Nottingham a more bee friendly city and a bee project is underway. NCH apprentices from CR&amp;M will be constructing a number of bee hotels for community garden projects across the city. In area three the two designated sites for bee hotels ('Air Bee and Bee') are Frinton Road Pocket Park in Broxtowe and Fircroft Community Garden in Beechdale. It is estimated that the projects will be completed between February and April 2020. NCH will engage with local schools and residents and the projects will culminate in a 'bee themed' launch event across individual sites.</p>	
4	Tenant and Residents Associations updates	<p><b>Best Garden Competition</b> The awards ceremony of the annual best garden competition was held on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2019 and our involved residents participated in judging this year's competition. The winner of the Aspley, Bilborough and Leen Valley area was Mr Michael Ryan from Bilborough. The winner of the Best Container Award was Mrs Truman and the late Mr Truman of Beckley Road, Broxtowe.</p> <p><b>Tenant and Leaseholder Awards 2020</b> NCH's annual Tenant and Leaseholder Awards shine a light on the many unsung heroes who make our neighbourhoods great places to live. A number of excellent nominations have been received for area 3. They include a nomination for Strelley Court, Broxtowe Community Club and a local Knit and Natter group based at Strelley Library. The deadline for submission is 12<sup>th</sup> December 2019. NCH is encouraging nominations from</p>	Information

	<p>residents and partners.</p> <p><b>Encouraging engagement from residents – new community groups and Block and Street Champions</b></p> <p>NCH is supporting a TRA on Denewood estate to re-form following the sad death of the Chair last year. NCH is supporting DATRA to get back on its feet.</p> <p>NCH will support the Cllr led coffee ‘meet and greet’ sessions due to take place after selective ward walks in Bilborough – next date is 27<sup>th</sup> January at Strelley Social Club.</p> <p>Frinton Road Pocket Park in Broxtowe received an award at the RHS It’s your Neighbourhood ceremony in November. The project maintained its Green Flag status for 2019.</p> <p>NCH supported the Bilborough Lights Switch On and delivered a craft activity – excellent turn out and positive resident engagement.</p> <p>Evolve delivered a Christmas lunch for 50 local people at Bells Lane Community Centre. This was in partnership with John Lewis and local volunteers from the community.</p> <p>Broxtowe Community Club has delivered a number of successful activities including a Christmas Fair on 7<sup>th</sup> December. The group delivered a trip to the Matlock in which 42 people attended including residents from Strelley Court. The group has expanded and has an ambitious programme of activities with a focus on intergeneration for 2020.</p> <p>NCH is working with Challenge, Ignite and Nottingham University Research team to deliver outdoor workshops from Fircroft Community Garden and other sites in the ward. Fircroft is going to be promoted as a ‘curiosity</p>	
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5	Area Performance Figures	<b>See attached report</b>	Information
6	Good news stories & positive publicity	<p>Launch of Fircroft Community Garden in Bilborough – the event was well attended by the local community and supported by Councillors. There are ambitious plans for a wide range of activities to be delivered from the garden. NCH will support the group to apply for a community Green Flag award in 2021.</p>	Information