

# **Communities and Place Committee**

# Thursday, 17 May 2018 at 10:30

County Hall, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 7QP

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Communities and Place Committee Meeting

19 April 2018 (commencing at 10:30 am) Date

#### Membership

Persons absent are marked with an 'A'

#### COUNCILLORS

John Cottee (Chairman) Gordon Wheeler (Vice-Chairman) Kevin Rostance (Vice-Chairman)

Pauline Allan John Knight Glynn Gilfoyle John Ogle Steve Vickers **Kevin Greaves** 

**Tony Harper** Tom Hollis

# OTHER COUNCILLORS IN ATTENDANCE

Jim Creamer Maureen Dobson Sue Saddington

# **OTHER ATTENDEES**

Justin Palfrey - Parkwood Nick Sandham - Network Rail

# **OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Adrian Smith Place Department Derek Higton Place Department Gary Wood Place Department Clive Wood Place Department Place Department Sue Jaques Place Department Mick Allen Mark Croston Place Department Place Department Martin Carnaffin Pete Mathieson Place Department

Neil Hodgson VIA **Doug Coutts** VIA

Kevin Sharman Place Department Dave Hennigan Place Department Martin Gately **Resources Department** 

#### 1. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 8 March 2018, having been circulated to all Members, were agreed to be a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

# 2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None. Councillor Vickers replaced Councillor Laughton for this meeting only.

# 3. <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u>

None.

#### 4. NEWARK CASTLE LEVEL CROSSING

#### **RESOLVED 2018/035**

That:

- As part of applications for road closures, Network Rail be required to demonstrate that due consideration has been given to the road network and that control measures are in place for their correct implementation;
- 2) Network Rail be urged to ensure that improvements to the level crossing operation form part of their future works to reduce operational closure times.

#### 5. ANNUAL REVIEW – RUFFORD ABBEY COUNTRY PARK

Justin Palfrey from Parkwood Leisure made a presentation to the committee covering a number of changes that had taken place at Rufford Abbey Country Park during this first year of operation. These included the improvements to the park, a staff restructure with new posts and roles, data capture improvements and economies of scale e.g. in relation to maintenance. The committee also heard about key projects and developments including refurbishment of the Coach House Coffee Shop, the vintage ice cream van, the relaunch of the Orangery supported by Glendale Horticulture as well as the new ANPR car park system.

#### **RESOLVED 2018/036**

That:

- 1) The report and presentation by Parkwood be considered.
- 2) No further actions were agreed.

#### 6. REGIONAL HIGHWAY DESIGN GUIDE

#### **RESOLVED 2018/037**

#### That:

- 1) Delegated authority be granted to the Corporate Director Place to make the necessary arrangements to resign the County Council's membership of the 6C's Board including refund of any surplus held by the 6C's Board.
- 2) The Authority continue to use its existing 6C's Highway Design Guide following resignation (rebranded as the 'Nottinghamshire County Council Highway Design Guide.
- 3) Delegated authority be granted to the Corporate Director Place to investigate and initiate opportunities to work in collaboration with Leicestershire County Council and the Midlands Highway Alliance on the development of a revised Highway Design Guide.

#### 7. ADL ELECTRIC BUS SIGN OFF – 25 APRIL 2018

#### **RESOLVED 2018/038**

That:

- 1) A further report on bus transportation be placed on the work programme
- 2) Members undertake a technical visit to learn about the Southern Growth Corridor.
- 8. THE NOTTINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (BOWBRIDGE ROAD AND EARP AVENUE, NEWARK ON TRENT) (PROHIBITION OF WAITING, ENTRANCE CLEARWAYS AND RESIDENTS' CONTROLLED ZONE)
  TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER 2018 (3269)

#### **RESOLVED 2018/039**

That:

- 1) The Nottinghamshire County Council (Bowbridge Road and Earp Avenue, Newark on Trent) (Prohibition of Waiting, Entrance Clearways and Residents' Controlled Zone) Traffic Regulation Order 2018 (3269) is made as advertised is made with the following amendments and objectors notified accordingly.
  - Extend the 'residents only' parking bay, within the controlled zone, on north-eastern side of Earp Avenue by 7m as detailed on the drawing H/JAB/2518/02/A

# 9. THE NOTTINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (EPPERSTONE ROAD AREA, WEST BRIDGFORD) (PROHIBITION OF WAITING AND RESIDENTS' CONTROLLED ZONE) TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER 2018 (8263)

#### **RESOLVED 2018/040**

That:

 The Nottinghamshire County Council (Epperstone Road Area, West Bridgford) (Prohibition of Waiting and Residents' Controlled Zone) Traffic Regulation Order 2018 (8263) is made as advertised and the objectors advised accordingly.

# 10. TRIAL OF REDUCED GRASS CUTTING FREQUENCY FOR RURAL ROADS

#### **RESOLVED 2018/041**

That:

1) Approval be granted for the proposed trial of reduced grass cutting frequencies on selected rural roads with speed limits of 50 mph or more – at up to a maximum of six locations – to establish whether any ecological or economic benefits can be achieved.

# 11. FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT UPDATE

#### **RESOLVED 2018/042**

That:

- The publication of the of Nottinghamshire County Council's Asset Register in line with Section 21 of the Flood and Water Management Act 2010 be approved.
- 2) The work outlined in the report be endorsed.

# 12. <u>RESPONSES TO PETITIONS PRESENTED TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL</u>

#### **RESOLVED 2018/043**

That:

- 1) The proposed actions be approved, and the lead petitioners informed accordingly;
- 2) The outcome of the committee's consideration be reported to Full Council.

# 13. WORK PROGRAMMME

# **RESOLVED 2018/044**

That:

1) The work programme be agreed and consideration given to any changes.

The meeting concluded at 12:00 pm.

# Chairman



# Report to Communities and Place Committee

17 May 2018

Agenda Item: 4

# REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR, PLACE AND COMMUNITIES

# ANNUAL REVIEW: HOLME PIERREPONT COUNTRY PARK

# **Purpose of the Report**

1. To provide Committee with an update on a key cultural services commissioned service, Holme Pierrepont Country Park.

#### Information

2. A range of the Council's cultural services are managed and commissioned through various partnership and contracting arrangements. Holme Pierrepont Country Park has been managed by Serco since 2014.

As part of the Council's aim to achieve a long-term, sustainable future for the Country Park, and to develop a modern and attractive visitor offer, the Council has completed work to invest at the site in partnership with Serco. The latest phase of development work has focused on expanding the current car park capacity, updating the accommodation offer and developing a new, high quality children's play area.

The presentation to committee provides a summary of the key activity to date, an overview of the improvements that have taken place over the last 12 months and insight into the financial and usage patterns that are developing.

# **Other Options Considered**

5. None.

#### Reason/s for Recommendation/s

6. To ensure Committee is aware of current progress of the commissioned service and support partners to implement operational plans and activity.

# **Statutory and Policy Implications**

7. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, data protection and information governance, finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (public health services), the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and adults at risk, service users, smarter working, sustainability and the environment and where such implications are material they are described below.

Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

# **RECOMMENDATION/S**

1) That the Committee approve the annual update on the commissioned service.

# **Derek Higton Service Director, Place and Communities**

For any enquiries about this report please contact: Mark Croston, Cultural Services Commissioning Manager, 0115 9932712, mark.croston@nottscc.gov.uk

# Constitutional Comments [SLB 18/04/2018]

8. Communities and Place Committee is the appropriate body to consider the content of this report.

# Financial Comments [SES 18/04/2018]

9. There are no specific financial implications arising directly from this report.

# **Background Papers and Published Documents**

None.

# **Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected**

All.



# Report to Communities and Place Committee

17 May 2018

Agenda Item: 5

# REPORT OF CORPORATE DIRECTOR, PLACE

THE NOTTINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (VARIOUS ROADS IN WEST BRIDGFORD) (PROHIBITION OF WAITING AND AMENDMENTS TO RESIDENTS' CONTROLLED ZONE) TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER 2018 (8265)

# **CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS**

# **Purpose of the Report**

1. To consider objections received in respect of the above Traffic Regulation Order and whether it should be made as advertised with the amendments detailed in the recommendation and shown on drawings H/SLW/2621/01 Rev A, H/SLW/2624/01 and H/SLW/2624/01 Rev A.

#### Information

- 2. Nottinghamshire County Council has received requests for measures to prevent parking at various locations in the West Bridgford area that is obstructive and affecting visibility for highway users or impacts on the efficient operation of the highway. The junctions are on residential roads within West Bridgford and include Edward Road, Holme Road, Trent Boulevard, Avon Gardens, Gresham Close, Eton Road, Musters Road, Priory Road and Abbey Road.
- 3. There is significant demand for on-street parking in these residential areas. However, capacity is constrained by several factors including vehicle accesses, pedestrian crossing points and the road width. Obstructive parking too near to junctions, bends or crossing points reduces visibility for vehicles, pedestrians and adversely affects the efficient operation of the highway. This includes causing delays to bus services and Trent Barton are supportive of the proposals.
- 4. As a result, it is proposed to introduce 'No Waiting at Any Time' (double yellow lines) restrictions at the locations listed below:
  - Abbey Road drawing H/SLW/2592/01
  - Avon Gardens drawing H/SLW/2621/01
  - Eton Road and Musters Road drawing H/SLW/2622/01;
  - Gresham Close drawing H/SLW/2623/01;
  - Edward Road, Holme Road and Trent Boulevard drawing H/SLW/2624/01;

- 5. In addition, it is proposed to amend an existing residents' parking scheme and introduce a single yellow line on Priory Road; as shown on drawing H/SLW/2625/01.
- 6. The County Council has also been undertaking a strategic parking review on residential streets in the vicinity of the town centre. The first phase has been partially completed with changes being undertaken on Park Avenue and objections considered at the committee meeting on 19th April 2018 to implement parking changes on Epperstone Road, George Road and Patrick Road. Additional work is being carried out to determine whether further phases area appropriate and what form they may take. Whilst it is anticipated that there may be some parking displacement it is not considered that they will have a significant impact on the next phase of the parking review as the proposals set out in the report are in response to localised issues.
- 7. The statutory consultation and public advertisement of the proposals was carried out between 5<sup>th</sup> February and 5<sup>th</sup> March 2018.
- 8. A total of 77 responses were received to the consultation during the advertisement period. This included 36 expressing support for the proposals including Councillor Gordon Wheeler, 9 requesting additional highway measures / or commenting on highway issues. There were 32 responses objecting to the proposals.
- 9. Responses to the consultation have been reviewed and amendments have been made to the scheme proposed to address some of the concerns raised. These changes to the advertised proposals together with the approval of a residents' parking scheme, mitigate several objections. The scheme revisions consist of:
  - Avon Gardens 10m reduction in extent of the proposed restrictions as shown on drawing H/SLW/2621/01 Rev A
  - Holme Road 6m reduction in extent of the proposed restrictions as shown on drawing H/SLW/2624/01 Rev A
  - Edward Road 9m reduction in extent of the proposed restrictions as shown on drawing H/SLW/2624/01 Rev A

#### **Objections received**

- 10. Twenty-nine objections remain outstanding across all the sites, these include:
  - Edward Road 15 objections
  - Abbey Road 10 objections
  - Holme Road 1 objection
  - General 3 objections

#### 11. Objection (Edward Road)

Fifteen objections were received relating to the proposals on Edward Road. Respondents objected on several points; primarily relating to the loss of on-street parking for residents and visitors, safety concerns for people and vehicles parking further away from their homes and parking migration. Other comments made included questions regarding effective enforcement of the restrictions, comments regarding parking demand (particularly on match days) and concerns regarding the effect of parking restrictions on house prices.

#### 12. Response (Edward Road)

There are many competing demands for free, convenient on-street parking in this area and when dealing with a finite resource it is not passible to meet all these demands for

parking. The original scheme proposed a 27m double yellow line restriction on the raised plateau area on Edward Road, which would prevent parking around the point where a footpath emerges. This footpath provides a direct pedestrian route for residents of Trevelyan Road, Ella Road, Crosby Road and Edward Road to West Bridgford town centre. The route is used by pedestrians, including vulnerable users such as school children, throughout the week. Visibility for pedestrians crossing over Edward Road is adversely affected by the proximity of parked vehicles.

- 13. The County Council has no duty to provide on-street parking and there is no legal right for a householder to park in proximity to their property. It is recognised that demand for such parking exists, particularly in residential areas with little off-street parking, and the proposed restrictions have therefore been reduced by 9m. The new proposed extent is considered to be the minimum necessary to ensure that parked vehicles do not obstruct the footpath crossing point, nor adversely affect visibility for pedestrians. The implementation of an additional 18m of 'No Waiting At Any Time' at this location only equates to parking provision for up to 4 vehicles, possibly 5.
- 14. It is the responsibility of the vehicle owner to ensure their vehicle is not parked in such a way as to cause an obstruction. This may require drivers with no private off-street parking provision to park further away from their property to ensure their vehicle is parked appropriately.
- 15. It is recognised that there is likely to be some element of displaced parking with any new highway waiting restriction, however the proposed restrictions are required to keep the approaches to the crossing point clear. The scheme has been designed with the aim of maintaining the availability of on-street parking where possible, without compromising the safe and effective operation of the highway. The restriction will necessitate transference of no more than 5 vehicles at any one time.
- 16. There is always a balance to be struck between competing demands for a finite resource; it is considered that the revised scheme, with shorter extent of restrictions offers the best solution improving safety for pedestrians with minimal anticipated migration of parking.

#### 17. Objections (Abbey Road)

Ten objections were received relating to the proposals on Abbey Road. Respondents cited several reasons for their objections, these included the loss of on-street parking for residents and visitors, potential for increased obstruction of driveways by parked vehicles and parking migration. Requests were made for more restrictions, for a resident parking scheme and questions were raised regarding parking strategies and whether a new park and ride would be introduced. A respondent also queried where people working in West Bridgford were supposed to park.

#### 18. Response (Abbey Road)

There are many competing demands for free, convenient on-street parking and this highway space is a finite resource which cannot always meet the demands placed upon it. Abbey Road is a bus route used by several services including; Mainline, Rushcliffe Villager, The Cotgrave, 822 and the Shoplink S1.

19. The route is served by buses every six minutes during peak periods, and buses operate throughout the day and into the night, throughout the week. Parking on both sides of Abbey Road is impeding the passage of all vehicles but particularly buses. The obstructive parking has caused significant problems to the operation of the bus services, inhibiting the buses from stopping to set down and collect passengers and in travelling along the route. At this location problems are predominantly in the working day taded by an influx of non-residents but the

proposals will ensure this route is kept clear at all times including weekends and evenings when intrusive parking can occur due to sporting events in the local area thus maintaining sufficient width for buses and traffic to pass.

- 20. Trent Barton stated that their services are "regularly delayed and occasionally stuck altogether as non-deliberate inconsiderate parking restricts road space and makes it impossible for two vehicles to pass. This causes an average delay of around 2 minutes, although this can be significantly increased depending on the parking at the time. At peak times this can impact 20 buses an hour, as the problem affects vehicles traveling both directions along the road." Trent Barton states that the proposed parking restrictions will significantly improve this situation and enable "our services to operate with much improved punctuality, which we know from...research projects is our customers' number one priority".
- 21. All properties on Abbey Road have off-street parking and the western side of the road will remain unrestricted, providing parking opportunities for residents and their visitors. As properties on this part of the road all have off-street parking provision the street does not meet the Nottinghamshire County Council criteria for the introduction of a residents' parking scheme. An appropriate measure to help alleviate residents' difficulties with vehicle access / egress to properties is the provision of advisory 'H bar markings' and these can be provided in line with the County Council's charging policy (£200) on request from residents.

# 22. Resolved Objection (Avon Gardens)

One respondent, West Bridgford Infant School, requested that the proposed double yellow lines be reduced in length to retain more on-street parking availability, as the school had no off-street parking facility.

#### 23. Response (Avon Gardens)

In response to the request made by West Bridgford Infant School, the proposed restriction on Avon Gardens was reduced in length by 10m as shown on drawing H/SLW/2621/01 Rev A. Approval at the Communities and Place Committee meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> April 2018 to implement a residents' parking scheme means that there are no outstanding objections relating to the Avon Gardens proposals.

#### 24. Objection (Holme Road)

One objection was received to the proposed restriction. The objection was to the proposed double yellow lines on the south side of the road only and cited the loss of on-street parking, which was used by visitors to nearby properties, including carers. They stated that the dropped kerb was already protected because it was illegal to obstruct a dropped crossing. The respondent stated that the proposals should be increased on the northern side of the road to meet existing restrictions on Pierrepont Road.

#### 25. Response (Holme Road)

The demand for on-street parking is noted and as such the restrictions are proposed only in proximity to the footpath entrance. In response to the request made by the objector, the proposed restriction on the south side of Holme Road was reduced in length by 6m; as shown on drawing H/SLW/2624/01 Rev A. This revised length (11m) is considered the minimum length necessary to maintain visibility for pedestrians crossing from the southern side of the road (which has a footway) to the footpath and entrance to The Hook, on the northern side of the road. It should be noted that there is no footway on the northern side of Holme Road so all pedestrians using the footpath access must cross the road from the southern side. Unrestricted on-street parking is available away from the crossing point, along Holme Road, offering alternative parking provision for visitors.

#### 26. Objection - to all or part of proposed restrictions

Three objections were received relating to some or all the proposals. One respondent objected to the loss of on-street parking in Lady Bay area, also they stated that they would have no objection to sensible larger areas of double yellow lines around Lady Bay School and the Post Office. A second objector stated that double yellow lines are a blunt instrument that prevent parking at any time of the day affecting residents who already have only limited on street parking facilities commenting that a more appropriate approach would be to provide limited parking in some areas. A third respondent objected on the grounds that no provision has been made for those visiting or working in the area

# 27. Response - to all or part of proposed restrictions

The total length of proposed parking restrictions in the Lady Bay area now consists of 16m of double yellow lines; 11m on Holme Road and 5m on Trent Boulevard adjacent to a junction and bus stop clearway. It is not considered likely that any significant level of parking will be displaced by these restrictions into other areas of Lady Bay. There are no plans to introduce additional parking restrictions around the school or Post Office as these areas are already controlled by a mixture of double-yellow lines, zebra crossing zig-zags, bus stop clearways and 'School Keep Clear' markings.

- 28. Double yellow lines are proposed because the detrimental effect of obstructive parking in close proximity to highway junctions and crossing points would be present at all periods of the day as pedestrian and vehicle movements are made at these locations throughout the day and night, every day of the week. As such it is not considered appropriate to limit the duration of the waiting restrictions from double yellow lines (in operation at all times) to single yellow lines (in operation only at specified times and days).
- 29. Whilst the demand for long-term or commuter on-street parking is recognised the County Council does not have a duty to provide free on-street parking for any highway user. The proposals are being introduced to address the problem of obstructive parking on highway users. Short-term limited parking remains available in West Bridgford town centre car parks for visitors to the area.

#### **Other Options Considered**

30. Other options considered relate to the length of the waiting restrictions proposed, which could have been either lesser or greater. The restrictions have been revised, where possible, in response to comments received and are considered to strike a reasonable balance between the need to maintain the safe operation of the highway and recognition of the demand for onstreet parking.

#### **Comments from Local Members**

31. Councillor Liz Plant did not formally comment on the proposals. Councillor Wheeler expressed support for the proposals located within West Bridgford West ED.

#### Reasons for Recommendations

32. It is considered that the proposed scheme presents a reasonable balance between the needs of all highway users, including non-drivers; who live in or visit the area. The proposals will also assist bus services helping to reduce delay due to inconsiderate parking improving service reliability and punctuality.

#### **Crime and Disorder Implications**

33. Nottinghamshire Police made no comments on the proposal. No additional crime or disorder implications are envisaged.

#### **Financial Implications**

34. The scheme is being funded through the 2018/19 Traffic Management Revenue budget for Rushcliffe with an estimated cost to implement the works and traffic order of £5,000.

# **Human Rights Implications**

35. The implementation of the proposals within this report might be considered to have a minimal impact on human rights (such as the right to respect for private and family life and the right to peaceful enjoyment of property, for example). However, the Authority is entitled to affect these rights where it is in accordance with the law and is both necessary and proportionate to do so, in the interests of public safety, to prevent disorder and crime, to protect health, and to protect the rights and freedoms of others. The proposals within this report are considered to be within the scope of such legitimate aims.

# **Public Sector Equality Duty implications**

- 36. As part of the process of making decisions and changing policy, the Council has a duty 'to advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not' by thinking about the need to:
  - Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation;
  - Advance equality of opportunity between people who share protected characteristics (as defined by equalities legislation) and those who don't;
  - Foster good relations between people who share protected characteristics and those who don't.
- 37. Disability is a protected characteristic and the Council therefore has a duty to make reasonable adjustments to proposals to ensure that disabled people are not treated unfairly.

# Safeguarding of Children and Adults at Risk Implications

38. The proposals are intended to have a positive impact on all highway users.

#### Implications for Sustainability and the Environment

39. The proposed waiting restrictions are designed to facilitate the safe operation of junctions and wider highway network for drivers, cyclists and pedestrians. Improving the environment for vulnerable highway users, such as pedestrians and cyclists, may encourage modal shift to sustainable modes of transport.

#### **RECOMMENDATION/S**

It is recommended that:

1) The Nottinghamshire County Council (Various roads in West Bridgford) (Prohibition of Waiting and amendments to Residents' Controlled Zone) (Traffic Regulation Order 2018 (8265) is

made as advertised, subject to the following amendments, and the objectors informed accordingly:

- Avon Gardens (the east side) Implement 'No Waiting At Any Time' restrictions from a point opposite a point 15 metres south of its junction with George Road in a northerly direction for a distance of 24 metres rather than the 34 metres advertised. Revisions as shown on drawing H/SLW/2621/01 Rev A.
- Holme Road (the south side) Implement 'No Waiting At Any Time' restrictions from a point opposite a point 17 metres west of its junction with Mona Road in a westerly direction for a distance of 11 metres rather than the 17 metres advertised. Revisions as shown on drawing H/SLW/2624/01 Rev A
- Edward Road (the south-west side) Implement 'No Waiting At Any Time' restrictions from the boundary between properties No's 112 & 114 Edward Road in a north-westerly direction for a distance of 18 metres rather than the 27 metres advertised. Revisions as shown on drawing H/SLW/2624/01 Rev A

# Adrian Smith Corporate Director, Place

For any enquiries about this report please contact: Mike Barnett - Team Manager (Major Projects and Improvements), Tel: 0115 97 73118

# Constitutional Comments [SLB 18/04/2018]

36. Communities and Place Committee is the appropriate body to consider the content of this report.

# Financial Comments [SES 18/04/2018]

37. The financial implications are set out in the report.

#### **Background Papers**

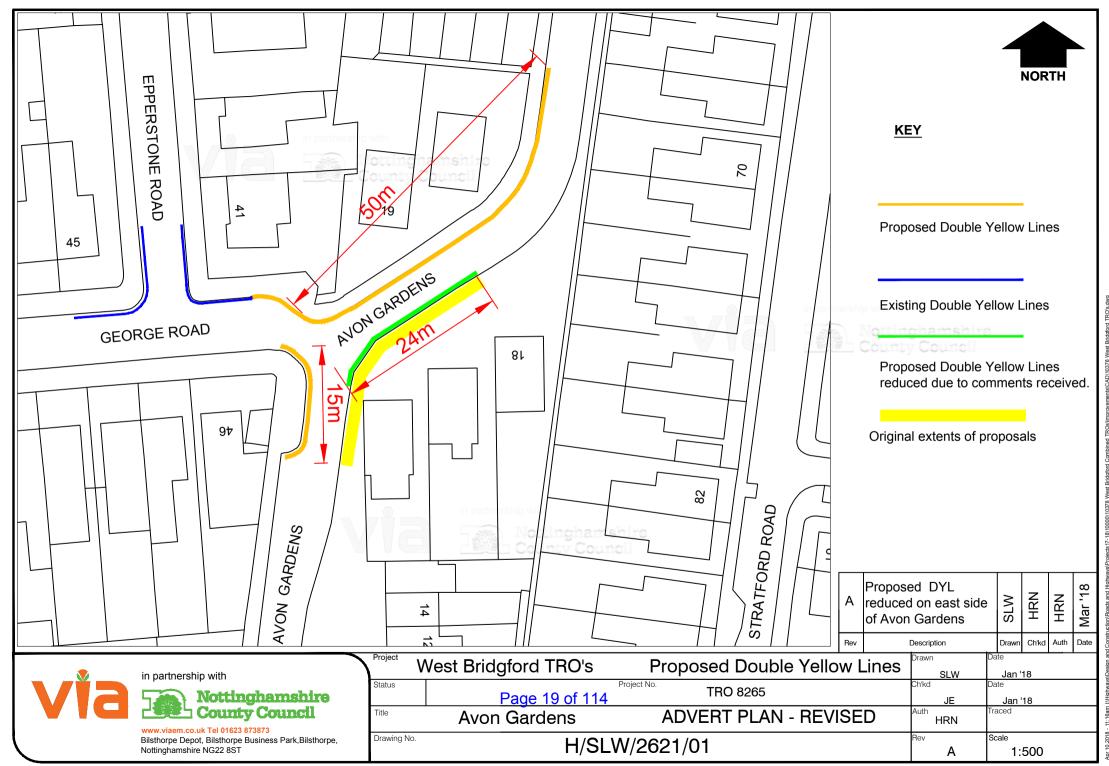
All relevant documents for the proposed scheme are contained within the scheme file which can be found in the Major Projects and Improvements section at Trent Bridge House, Fox Road, West Bridgford, Nottingham.

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

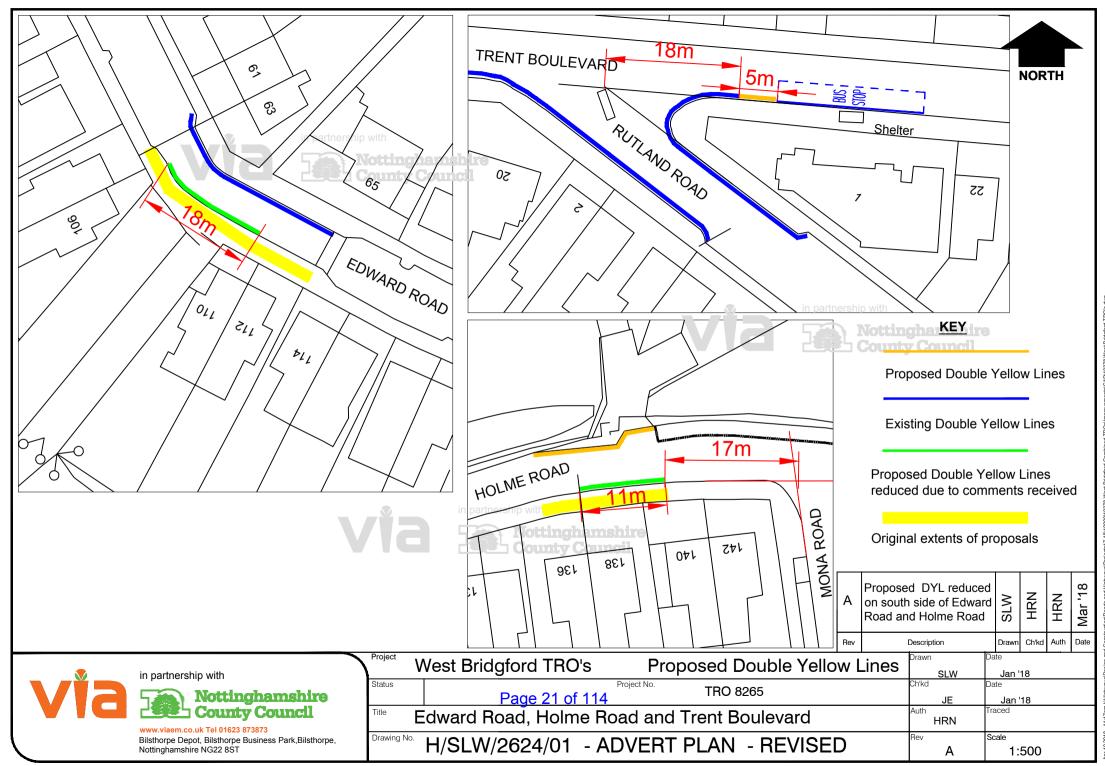
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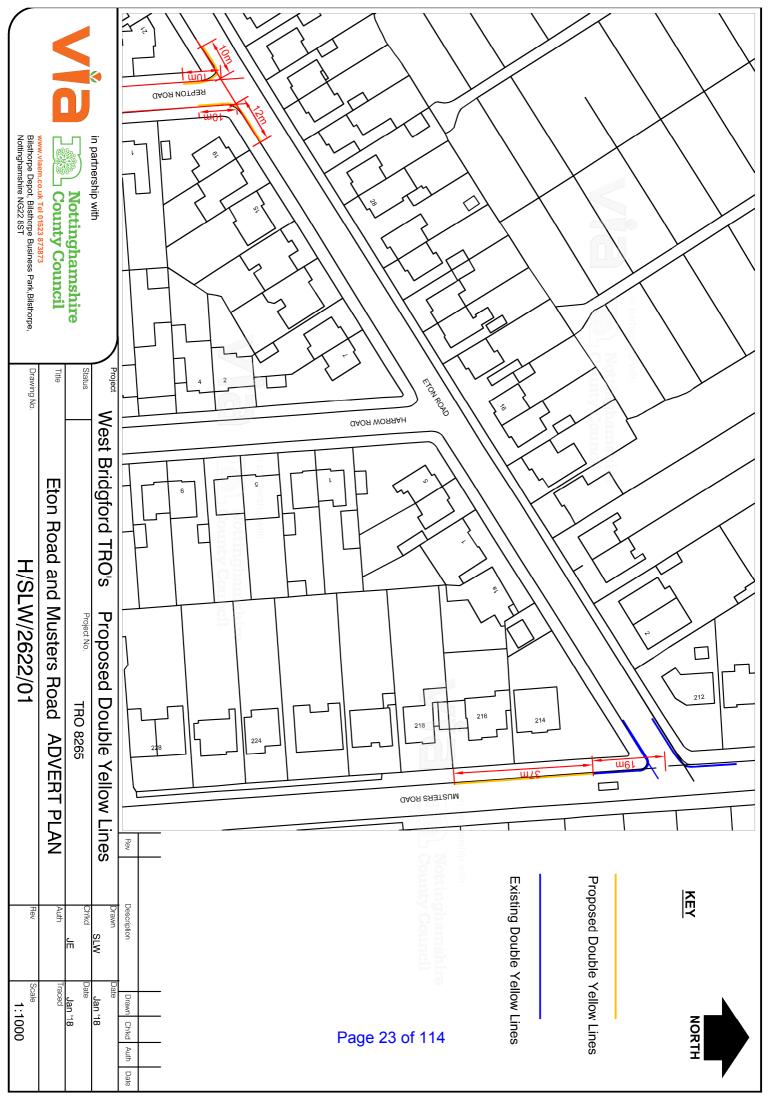
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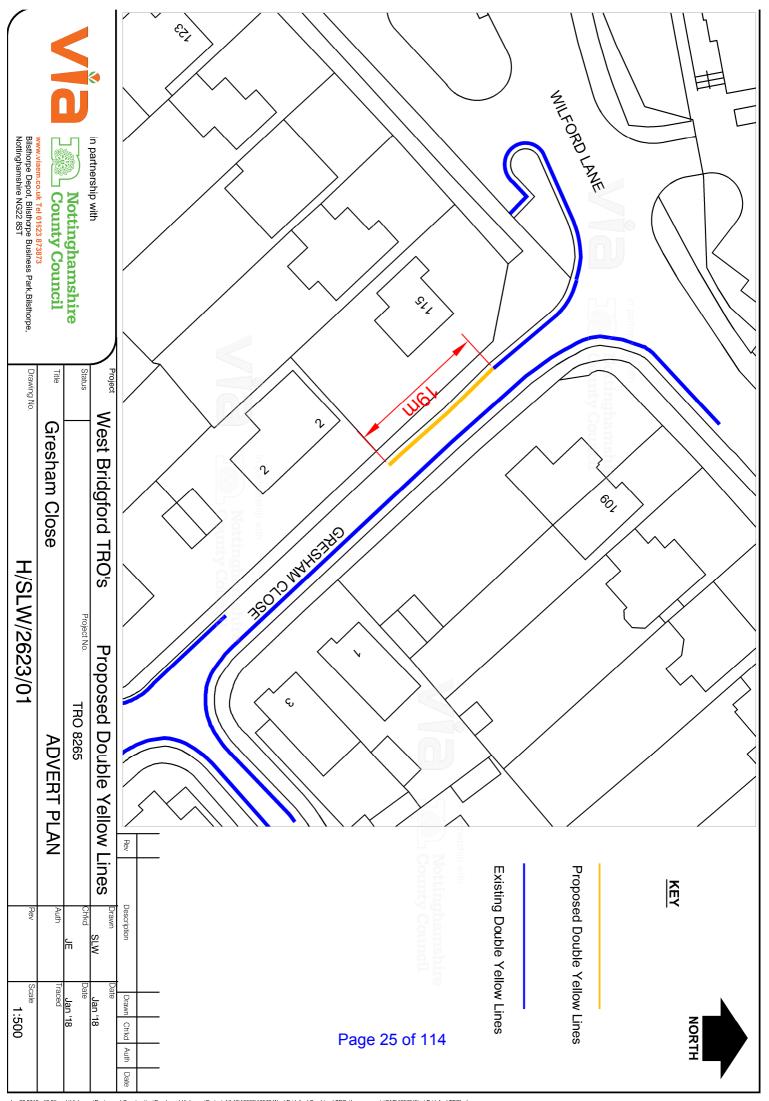
West Bridgford West ED Councillor Gordon Wheeler

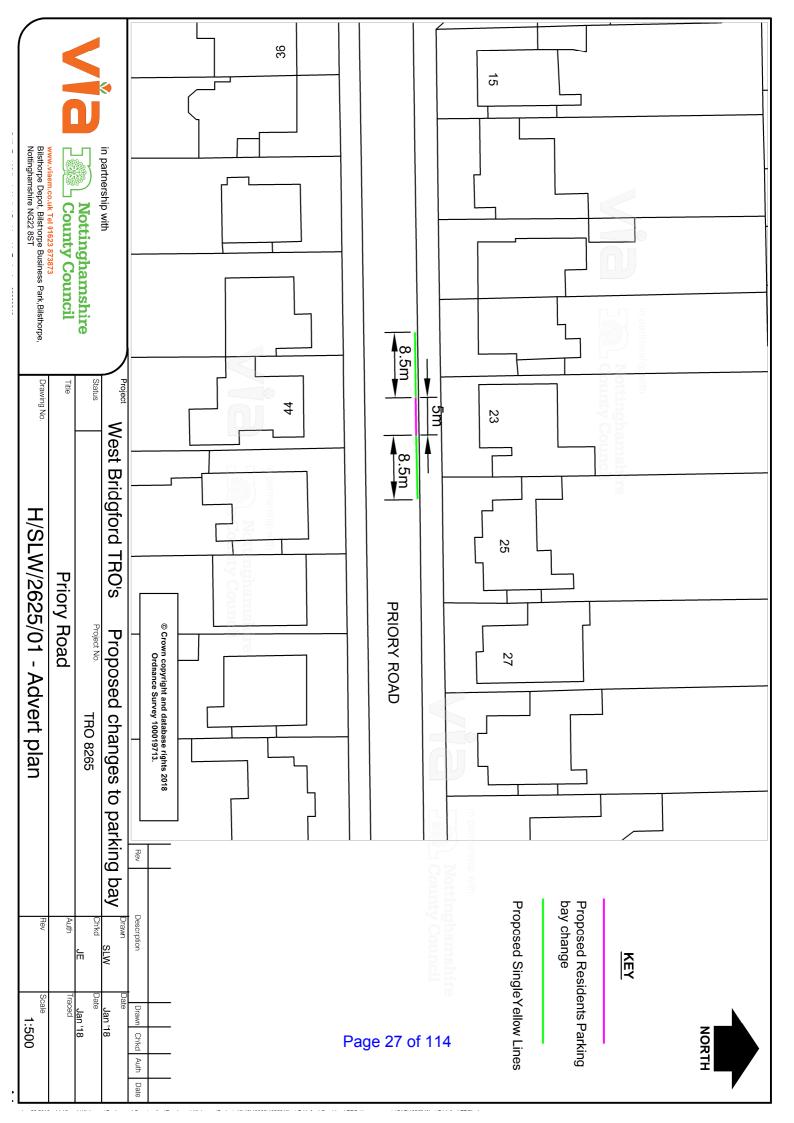


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# Report to Communities and Place Committee

17 May 2018

Agenda Item: 6

# REPORT OF THE CORPORATE DIRECTOR, PLACE

THE NOTTINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL HAWTON ROAD AND LINCOLN ROAD, NEWARK ON TRENT (30 mph SPEED LIMIT ORDERS) 2018 (3270 & 3271)

# CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS

# **Purpose of the Report**

1. To consider objections received in respect of the above Traffic Regulation Orders and whether the Orders should be made as advertised.

# Information

- 2. Nottinghamshire County Council (NCC) has secured £860,000 worth of funding to improve cycling infrastructure within Newark, this consists of £610,000 from the D2N2 Local Economic Partnership (LEP) and £250,000 of match funding from NCC.
- 3. This investment aims to make the best use of existing cycle routes by upgrading them and providing new routes to deliver joined-up coherent cycle networks throughout the town. The routes will provide improved access from new and proposed residential areas to local jobs in town centres and business parks, training and essential services (e.g. shops, health care etc.) by sustainable transport. The routes will help support proposed employment and housing development sites both locally as well as further afield and the proposed package of improvements will also add value to committed Local Growth Fund investment by providing sustainable transport links to the proposed Newark Southern Link Road.
- 4. The Department for Transport (DfT) aims to double cycle usage by 2025 throughout the country and it is anticpated that the Newark Strategic Cycle scheme package will help meet these targets at a local level. NCC has committed to increasing cycling levels from 3% currently to 10% by 2025. This ambition is detailed in the Nottinghamshire Cycling Strategy Delivery Plan (2016) which was developed to complement Nottinghamshire's Local Transport Plan in the delivery of local and national cycling related objectives. The plan intends to meet its target through a combination of transport objectives, focusing in particular upon the development of a high quality, connected cycling network as well as encouraging cycling through smart travel planning and increased educational opportunities.
- 5. The package of measures contained in the Newark Cycling Strategy aim to:

- Make cycling to work a viable choice for a significant proportion of local residents;
- Greatly improve the cycle infrastructure network by addressing gaps in the network which are a major barrier to accessing large employment and housing sites; and
- Create safe, direct, convenient, attractive and continuous cycle routes.

The proposals will also deliver other key benefits such as:

- Positive public health (more people exercising);
- Environmental emissions and air quality reduced; and
- Reduce traffic congestion modal shift to cycling.
- 6. Consultation events were held in September 2017 to promote the Newark Cycling Strategy and the feedback generated from those events fed into the design process. This report relates to consultation responses and design safety audits that identified two routes which would benefit from a reduced speed limit from 40mph to 30mph along parts of Hawton Road and Lincoln Road in Newark.
- 7. Hawton Road is a residential street to the south-west of the town centre and provides a route for cyclists and other road users into Newark from the south-west. It will also link directly to new residential areas due to be built adjacent to the Newark Southern Link Road. Feedback from residents and cyclists to the consultation event identified the demand for a reduced speed limit on this route.
- 8. During the consultation requests were also received from consultees for a reduced speed limit on Lincoln Road that is a local distributor road to the north-east of the town. A shared use cycle-way is proposed for the northern side of Lincoln road and a safety audit, undertaken as part of the design process, identified a reduced speed limit as beneficial to users' safety.
- 9. In response to the comments received it is proposed to introduce a speed limit order on both Hawton Road and Lincoln Road to reduce the existing speed limit from 40mph to 30mph.
- 10. The proposed speed limit change on Hawton Road will extend south-west of its junction with Riverside Road to its junction with Boundary Road as detailed on the attached plan H/JAB/2580/01.
- 11. The proposed speed limit change on Lincoln Road will extend from its junction with North Gate to south-west of its junction with the A1/A46 Roundabout as detailed on the attached plan H/JAB/2580/02.
- 12. The statutory consultation and public advertisement of the proposals was carried out between 23<sup>rd</sup> November and 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2017.
- 13. Twelve responses were received to the Hawton Road consultation. Of these, one respondent requested further information on the proposals and nine respondents including Newark Town Council, expressed support for the scheme and some made comments or additional requests, including:
  - Traffic calming measures should also be introduced;
  - An interactive speed sign should also be introduced; and
  - Queries regarding who enforces the limit and how frequently.

- 14. Two responses, including one from County Councillor Girling, are considered to be outstanding objections to the proposed speed limit change on Hawton Road.
- 15. Eight responses were received to the Lincoln Road consultation, of these four respondents expressed support for the scheme. Three made comments or additional requests, these included:
  - Speed cameras should be introduced;
  - An interactive speed sign should also be introduced; and
  - Queries regarding the siting of the proposed cycle path
- 16. One response is considered to be an outstanding objection to the proposals on Lincoln Road.

#### **Objections received**

17. Objection Hawton Road - County Councillor Girling

County Councillor Girling objected to the proposed 30mph limit. Councillor Girling has stated that the Hawtonville Safer Neighbourhood Group, of which he is the Chair, have on many occasions carried out a Community Speed Watch on Hawton Road and at no time has it been shown to be a fast and / or unsafe road. In addition, Councillor Girling comments that it may have the occasional speeding vehicle but penalising all motorists who use the road sensibly is not the answer and requests that an interactive speed sign be introduced on the road instead.

- 18. Response Hawton Road County Councillor Girling
  - Hawton Road is a street-lit residential area, with frontages on both sides of the road. The standard speed limit in urban areas is 30 mph, which represents a balance between mobility and safety factors, however on Hawton Road the limit is currently 40mph.
- 19. Recent traffic surveys on Hawton Road show that 85 percentile vehicle speeds are between 40.1mph and 42mph. The County Council use a number of factors when determining appropriate speed limits, these are based on the Department for Transport's (DfT) guidance "Setting Local Speed Limits" such as as road purpose / function (strategic, through traffic, local access etc.) population size and expected vulnerable road users (cyclists, pedestrians).
- 20. As a residential area the route is already used by vulnerable users, such as pedestrians and cyclists. This investment in cycling infrastructure and routes within the town will create safe, direct, convenient, attractive and continuous cycle routes within Newark. The numbers of cyclists in particular are likely to increase on these key routes, including Hawton Road as a result of the significant investment being made in cycling infrastructure.
- 21. Feedback from both the Newark Cycle Route public consultation and the statutory consultation on the proposed speed limit changes shows support for a reduced speed limit. DfT guidance on setting local speed limits also notes that injury levels for vulnerable users involved in collisions is substantially lower when collisions occur at lower speeds. As such the proposals to reduce the existing speed limit in this residential area from 40mph to 30mph is considered reasonable.

#### 22. Objection - Hawton Road and Lincoln Road

One individual responded to both consultations to object to the proposed 30mph limit on each road. The objectors states that there were no schools or hospitals on either road and the streetscape had not changed in recent years and considers that the speed limit was not required on either road and therefore not an appropriate use of funding. The respondent also stated that speed restrictions add to traffic congestion and to pollution levels.

#### 23. Response Hawton Road and Lincoln Road

Lincoln Road and Hawton Road are both street-lit roads within Newark, bounded by residential properties on both sides of the road, the routes meet DfT guidelines for a 30mph limit. Studies show that the introduction of lower speed limits within urban areas are beneficial for the safety of non-motorised highway users. The proposed infrastructure improvements for cyclists will increase modal shift to sustainable modes. Increasing levels of sustainable transport use, will improve health, cut congestion and emissions and provide greater equality of access to sites of employment and learning.

24. A shared use cycle-way is proposed for the northern side of Lincoln road and a safety audit, undertaken as part of the design process, also identified a reduced speed limit as beneficial to users' safety.

#### **Other Options Considered**

25. Other options considered relate to the speed limit proposed, which could have been lesser. It is considered that the proposals will facilitate the safe operation of the highway for drivers, cyclists and pedestrians, in accordance with the Authority's duty to ensure the safe and expeditious movement of all traffic, including pedestrians.

#### **Comments from Local Members**

26. County Councillor Girling objects to the proposed 30mph limit on Hawton Road, no comment regarding the proposed limit on Lincoln Road during the consultation. County Councillor Dobson has discussed engineering elements of the scheme with project officers but made no comment regarding the proposed speed limit change during the statutory consultation.

#### Reason/s for Recommendation/s

27. It is considered that the proposals will facilitate the safe operation of the highway for drivers, cyclists and pedestrians, in accordance with the Authority's duty to ensure the safe and expeditious movement of all traffic, including pedestrians.

# **Statutory and Policy Implications**

28. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, data protection and information governance, finance, human resources, human rights, the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and adults at risk, service users, smarter working, sustainability and the environment and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

# **Crime and Disorder Implications**

29. Nottinghamshire Police made no comments during the formal consultation period, however had previously commented during discussions of the proposals that they have not received a complaint regarding excessive speed along Hawton Road or Lincoln Road in Newark. No additional crime or disorder implications are envisaged.

# **Financial Implications**

30. The Speed Limit Order and works are expected to cost approximately £10,000 and will be met through the funding received from the D2N2 Local Economic Partnership (LEP).

# **Human Rights Implications**

31. The implementation of the proposals within this report might be considered to have a minimal impact on human rights (such as the right to respect for private and family life and the right to peaceful enjoyment of property, for example). However, the Authority is entitled to affect these rights where it is in accordance with the law and is both necessary and proportionate to do so, in the interests of public safety, to prevent disorder and crime, to protect health, and to protect the rights and freedoms of others. The proposals within this report are considered to be within the scope of such legitimate aims.

#### **Public Sector Equality Duty implications**

- 32. As part of the process of making decisions and changing policy, the Council has a duty 'to advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not' by thinking about the need to:
  - Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation;
  - Advance equality of opportunity between people who share protected characteristics (as defined by equalities legislation) and those who don't;
  - Foster good relations between people who share protected characteristics and those who
    don't.
- 33. Disability is a protected characteristic and the Council therefore has a duty to make reasonable adjustments to proposals to ensure that disabled people are not treated unfairly.

# Safeguarding of Children and Adults at Risk Implications

34. The proposals are intended to have a positive impact on all highway users but by promoting sustainable transport modes and implementing lower vehicle speed limits they should also help to safeguard and promote the welfare of children.

# Implications for Sustainability and the Environment

35. The proposals, as part of the wider Newark Cycle Strategy measures will provide a comprehensive, coherent cycle route network in Newark will assist in delivering the Nottinghamshire Cycling Strategy Delivery Plan (2016) which is committed to increasing cycling levels from 3% currently to 10% by 2025. Increasing levels of sustainable transport

use, will improve health, cut congestion and emissions and provide greater equality of access to sites of employment and learning.

#### **RECOMMENDATION/S**

It is recommended that:

 The Nottinghamshire County Council Hawton Road and Lincoln Road, Newark On Trent (30 mph Speed Limit Orders) 2018 (3270 and 3271) are made as advertised and the objectors informed accordingly.

# Adrian Smith Corporate Director, Place

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#### **Constitutional Comments [SLB 03/05/2018]**

36. Communities and Place Committee is the appropriate body to consider the content of this report.

#### Financial Comments [SES 01/05/2018]

37. The financial implications are set out in the report.

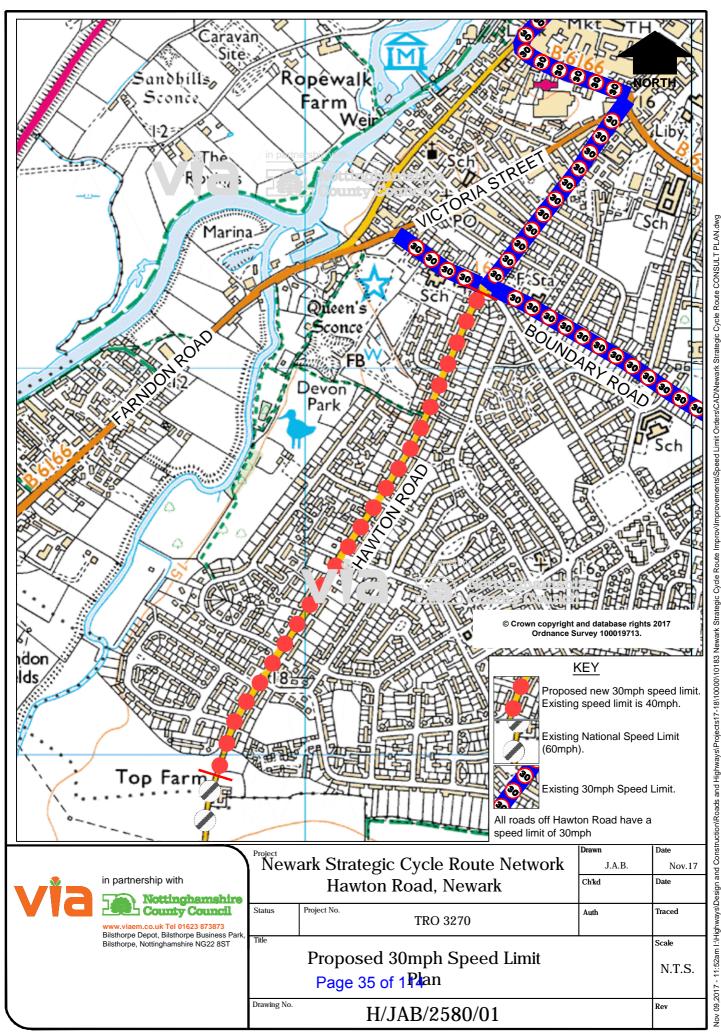
#### **Background Papers and Published Documents**

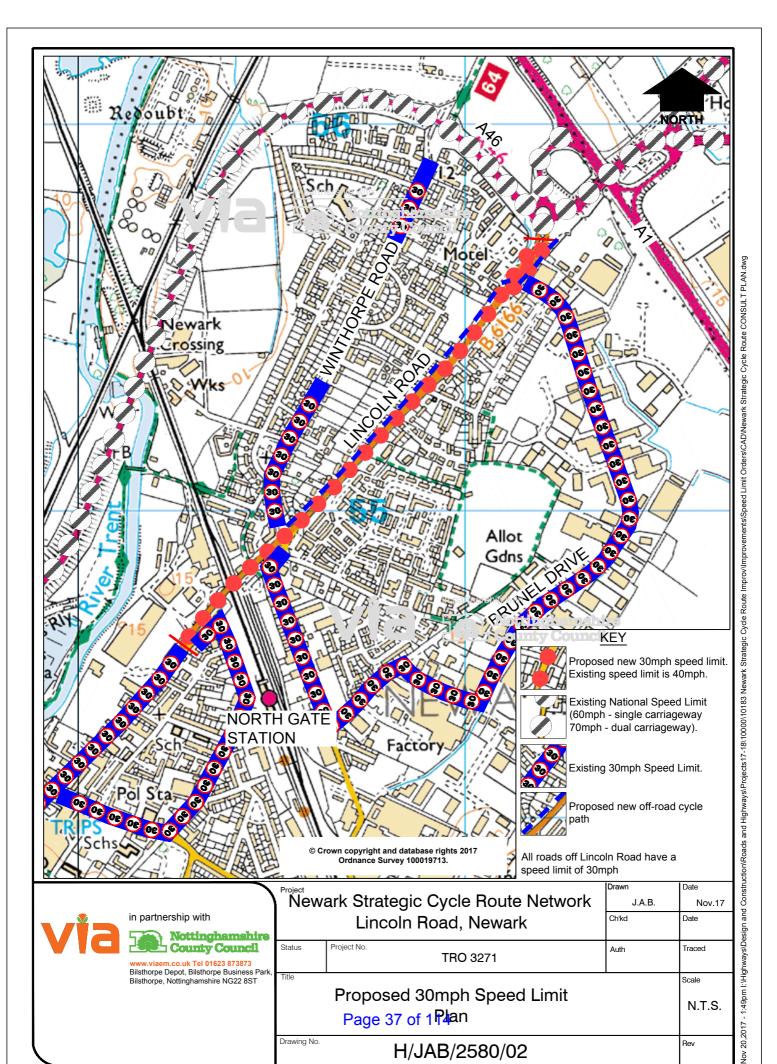
Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

All relevant documents for the proposed scheme are contained within the scheme file which can be found in the Major Projects and Improvements section at Trent Bridge House, Fox Road, West Bridgford, Nottingham.

#### Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

Newark West ED Councillor Keith Girling
Collingham ED Councillor Maureen Dobson





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# Report to Communities & Place Committee

17 May 2018

Agenda Item: 7

### REPORT OF CORPORATE DIRECTOR, PLACE

### LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN IMPLEMENTATION PLAN 2018/19-2020/21

### **Purpose of the Report**

1. The purpose of this report is to seek Committee approval for the Local Transport Plan Implementation Plan for the period 2018/19-2020/21.

### Information

- 2. The Implementation Plan sets out how the County Council will use the funding available to help deliver Nottinghamshire's long-term transport strategy, the Local Transport Plan (LTP), during the period 2018/19-2020/21 (and the executive summary of the Plan is attached as Appendix 1). The Implementation Plan periods are aligned to the Department for Transport (DfT) capital funding allocations for highways and the proposed 2018/19-2020/21 Implementation Plan is the third that the County Council has developed.
- 3. The third LTP Implementation Plan has been reviewed to reflect a number of new strategies and factors, including:
  - The Council Plan 2017-2021, 'Your Nottinghamshire, Your Future'
  - The Place Departmental Strategy
  - The 2018 review of major and significant highway schemes that may require safeguarded routes
  - Government's Cycling and Walking Improvement Plan (and the emerging D2N2 Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan)
  - The Authority's additional £20m investment in highways over the next four years
  - External funding secured to deliver specific projects such as the Access Fund and the Clean Bus Technology Fund
  - HS2 developments
  - The 'Major Road Network for England' currently being developed by the Department for Transport
  - Local Growth Funded schemes.
- 4. Increasing financial constraints have underlined the essential need for the County Council to develop clear implementation strategies to ensure value for money for investment. The Implementation Plan therefore details how the County Council, working in partnership with others, will deliver transport improvements in Nottinghamshire.

- 5. To help determine Nottinghamshire's local transport priorities consultation is undertaken periodically with a sample of residents and local businesses from each of the seven districts. The last consultation (undertaken in 2016) identified 'reducing traffic congestion' as the highest priority for residents in each of the districts; and similarly, 'reducing traffic congestion' was the highest priority for Nottinghamshire businesses. 'Maintaining a good quality road network' was also a high priority for both residents and local businesses (which is also reflected in the number of requests the Council receives for road repairs); as was 'improving the safety of our roads'. The County Council has therefore prioritised funding on these three areas.
- 6. These three priority areas help deliver a number of national, regional and Nottinghamshire priorities (as detailed in the Council Plan 2017-21 and the LTP); particularly reducing congestion and maintaining a good road network which are essential in delivering objectives relating to the economy, health and the environment. Consequently, programmes of measures are developed through the integrated transport programme to address congestion and its impacts on local communities; and through the capital and revenue maintenance allocations to improve the condition of roads across the county.
- 7. The programmes of work detailed within the Implementation Plan and its appendices have been developed to help ensure delivery of County Council priorities, national priorities and local transport goals and objectives; particularly those relating to improving access to jobs and reducing the impacts of congestion and poor road condition on the economy.
- 8. The Implementation Plan reflects the likely available capital and revenue transport funding, which is determined annually as part of the County Council's budget setting process. The programmes included in the Implementation Plan are based on the Council's current Medium Term Financial Strategy and latest announcements from government for highway capital grants. The Plan will, however, be reviewed annually following the Council's budget decisions, changes in County Council priorities; and to help ensure value for money through assessing the effectiveness of the measures contained within it.
- 9. The proposed Implementation Plan encompasses all forms of transport improvements, and sets out:
  - Capital and revenue funding levels currently allocated to transport improvements in Nottinghamshire
  - Continued partnership working to deliver transport improvements and strategies
  - The funding secured for, and details of, the major transport schemes to be delivered during this Implementation Plan period
  - Future major highways scheme programme development and prioritisation
  - How the integrated transport and maintenance programmes will be developed and prioritised during this Implementation Plan period, and
  - Programme management and monitoring of the delivery of the annual programmes of work.
- 10. The detailed 2018/19 highways programmes of work were approved at the 8 March 2018 Communities & Place Committee. These highway programmes will continue to be developed and approved annually; although opportunities to develop longer-term programmes will be taken if possible. The programmes will be developed to reflect a balance of member, public and stakeholder requests as well as priorities; evidence of need (including technical analysis);

value for money (including the co-ordination of works); delivery of the County Council's vision and transport objectives; and the ability to draw in external funding.

### Additional funding for maintenance and integrated transport improvements

- 11. Having listened to local communities across the county, in order to help address local priorities £20m of additional funding has been allocated to highway improvements to predominantly address the backlog of structural maintenance (£17m for the period 2018/19 to 2021/22) and help address local journey time delay (£3m for the period 2018/19 to 2021/22).
- 12. The additional funding available for highway maintenance will primarily be used to deliver improvements to residential unclassified roads (including those roads prioritised by the local members) reducing the impacts that deteriorated highway conditions have on local communities. The funding will be concentrated on the roads we know are going to deteriorate in the next few years, making the 'right repair at the right time' with the use of surface dressing where appropriate. Similarly, the recently announced additional funding from the DfT for potholes will help the County Council address the backlog of pothole repairs.
- 13. As detailed in paragraph 5 above, surveys have identified that Nottinghamshire residents and local businesses consider the reduction of traffic congestion as their highest transport priority. In 2018/19 it is therefore proposed that £100,000 of the additional funding be allocated to develop a package of schemes to ease congestion in settlements adjacent to the growth corridors identified in the Place Departmental Strategy, reducing the impacts congestion has on local communities and the environment, as well as aiding productivity for local businesses. Additional funding available in 2019/20 to 2021/22 will then be used to deliver the schemes identified through this preparatory work. It is proposed that the remaining additional funding allocated to integrated transport schemes in 2018/19 is used as follows:
  - a contribution to signal improvements on the A38 to help improve journey time reliability
  - an enhanced programme of interactive speed signs and the delivery of additional pedestrian crossings to help address local perceptions of safety.

### **Other Options Considered**

14. The other option is to not develop an implementation plan. This option, however, was ruled out as increasing financial constraints have underlined the essential need for the County Council to develop clear implementation strategies to ensure value for money for investment.

#### Reason/s for Recommendation/s

15. The highways programmes detailed within the Implementation Plan and its appendices have been developed to help ensure delivery of County Council priorities, national priorities and local transport goals and objectives. The programmes detailed in the Plan and its appendices have been developed to reflect a balance of member, public and stakeholder requests and priorities, evidence of need (including technical analysis), value for money (including the coordination of works) and delivery of the County Council's Plan and LTP objectives.

### **Statutory and Policy Implications**

16. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, data protection and information governance finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (public health services), the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and adults at risk, service users, smarter working, sustainability and the environment and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

### **Financial Implications**

- 17. The financial implications, including budget allocations, are set out within the proposed LTP Implementation Plan 2018/19-2020/21 and are in line with allocations determined at the 28 February 2018 County Council meeting. In 2018/19 the allocations are made up of a combination of capital grant, borrowing and successful external funding bids totalling £24.698m for capital maintenance and £6.116m for integrated transport; and the individual programmes and schemes were approved at 8 March 2018 Communities & Place Committee.
- 18. The additional County capital funding investment represents a budget increase of over 20% of the funding allocated for capital maintenance and integrated transport schemes in 2018/19 (24% increase in funding available for capital maintenance schemes; and 14% available for integrated transport improvements).

### **Public Sector Equality Duty implications**

- 19. All programmes detailed within this report comply with the Public Sector Equality Duty. An equality impact assessment was undertaken on the Nottinghamshire Local Transport Plan 2011/12-2025/26 in March 2011 to ensure that the strategy and its capital programmes to deliver it met the duty.
- 20. Equality impact assessment of individual significant and major transport schemes (schemes costing more than £250,000) and Bid programmes are also undertaken by project managers to ensure that they comply with the Public Sector Equality Duty, based on advice from the policy and equality officers. Such assessments include those undertaken on the Access Fund programme (undertaken in September 2016) and the A634 Safer Roads Fund programme (undertaken in April 2017).

### Implications for Sustainability and the Environment

21. Surveys undertaken with the public and local businesses identified reducing traffic congestion as the highest transport priority for both of these groups. The County Council also has a statutory obligation to address air quality issues resulting from road traffic on its managed roads (there are currently two air quality management areas on County Council managed roads). All of the programmes contained within the proposed Implementation Plan have therefore been developed with consideration to address congestion, its knock on effects on air quality and its impacts on local communities. The recycling of materials and aggregates is also considered when delivering highways schemes whenever possible.

### **RECOMMENDATION/S**

It is recommended that Committee:

1) approve the proposed LTP Implementation Plan 2018/19-2020/21.

# Adrian Smith Corporate Director, Place

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### Constitutional Comments [SLB 03/05/2018]

22. Communities and Place Committee is the appropriate body to consider the content of this report.

### Financial Comments [GB 25/04/2018]

23. The financial implications are set out in the report.

### **Background Papers and Published Documents**

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

- Nottinghamshire Local Transport Plan Implementation Plan 2018/19-2020/21
- Nottinghamshire Local Transport Plan 2011/12-2025/26
- Nottinghamshire Local Transport Plan Implementation Plan 2010/11-2014/15 and 2015/16-2017/18
- Nottinghamshire Local Transport Plan Evidence Base 2010
- The Council Plan 2017-2021, 'Your Nottinghamshire, Your Future'
- Place Departmental Strategy January 2018
- Highways Programmes 2018/19 8 March 2018 Communities & Place Committee
- Nottinghamshire Access Fund Bid to the Department for Transport
- Nottinghamshire Clean Bus technology Fund Bid to Office for Low Emission Vehciles

### Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All

### **Executive Summary**

The Local Transport Plan for Nottinghamshire (LTP) sets out how we aim to make transport improvements in Nottinghamshire during the period 1 April 2011 to 31 March 2026. The LTP consists of two separate documents:

- the local transport strategy which details the County's transport vision and the strategy to deliver the vision, and
- this document, the Implementation Plan, which details the transport improvements that will help deliver the strategy and where investment will be prioritised.

The package of measures detailed within this Implementation Plan is dependent upon the levels of funding available to the County Council. The duration of the Implementation Plan therefore runs for the same period as Central Government's capital funding allocations to ensure it takes account of realistic funding levels. Central Government has confirmed indicative funding levels up to 31 March 2020/21 and this third Implementation Plan will cover the three year period 1 April 2018 to 31 March 2021. This Plan and has been reviewed to take account of revisions to funding amounts and their associated work programmes, national and local strategies, as well as County Council priorities. Implementation plans will be reviewed annually to ensure:

- the effective delivery of the local transport strategy and transport improvements in Nottinghamshire
- the effectiveness of the measures contained within it
- it reflects County Council priorities at the time of review
- it reflects feasibility work undertaken to identify transport schemes that help deliver the 'Opportunity Area' growth corridors detailed in the Place Departmental Strategy
- programmes are based on up to date levels of funding available to the County Council.

### **Transport priorities**

The Plan discusses the methods used to identify its priorities for transport improvements, including:

- The ability to deliver national, regional and local strategies and objectives e.g. the Industrial Strategy, Midlands Engine for Growth, D2N2 Strategic Economic Plan, and County Council Plan 2017-2021
- The ability to help drive and deliver growth in the county particularly to bring new jobs, better housing, better connectivity and more prosperity for Nottinghamshire residents and businesses in the 'Opportunity Area' growth corridors set out in the Place Departmental Strategy
- Consultation with local residents, County Council members, businesses, and district/parish councils
- Technical analysis to identify locations/areas with the greatest need for different types of improvements
- Value for money assessments of suggested improvements.

The Implementation Plan also details how the above have helped identify the following transport priorities for delivery during this Implementation Plan period:

- **Reducing traffic congestion on our roads** particularly along and adjacent to the growth corridors to attract inward investment and support existing businesses to grow
- Maintaining a good quality road network including prioritising funding for improvements on the unclassified road network
- Improving the safety of our roads.

The Plan also recognises the likely future influences on transport priorities (and opportunities) that may arise from sources such as:

- sub-national transport bodies Midlands Connect and the Midlands Engine and the opportunities these may offer to make critical investments in infrastructure to improve transport and digital connectivity, support skills, unlock housing and business growth, and drive civic renewal
- Major Road Network for England (MRN) to try and rebalance the disparity between the funding and planning of the strategic road network (major roads and motorways that are managed by Highways England) and local authority category A roads
- The development of technical analysis tools to assist with scheme identification.

### **Funding**

Transport improvements are funded through capital investment along with revenue support and the Plan details the funding sources and amounts (where known) for transport improvements during the Plan period, including:

- Central government block funding capital allocations for integrated transport and highways maintenance
- Additional County Council capital and revenue allocations for integrated transport and highways maintenance
- The Local Growth Fund (LGF) distributed through Local Enterprise Partnerships (LEPs)
- Central government capital funding for specific programmes such as for low-emission transport
- Central government revenue funding for specific programmes such as the Access Fund programme
- Other external funding sources, such as Network Rail, Highways England and developer contributions.

In order to help deliver the local priorities the County Council plans to invest an additional £20m of County Capital funding in highways improvements during the period 2018/19 to 2021/22, predominantly to address the backlog of structural maintenance (£17m for the period 2018/19 to 2021/22) and help address local journey time delay (£2.4m for the period 2018/19 to 2021/22), with the remaining £0.6m being spent in 2018/19 on schemes to help overcome perceptions around local safety concerns.

The additional funding available for highway maintenance will primarily be used to deliver improvements to residential unclassified roads (including those roads prioritised by the local members) reducing the impacts that deteriorated highway conditions have on local communities. The funding will be concentrated on the roads we know are going to deteriorate in the next few years, making the 'right repair at the right time' with the use of surface dressing and micro-asphalt treatments where appropriate. The additional funding available for integrated transport in 2019/20 to 2021/22 will primarily be used to deliver improvements that help address local journey time delay on routes that are on, or adjacent to, the strategic growth corridors identified in the Place Departmental Strategy

The Plan also identifies potential funding sources that may be available during this Implementation Plan period; such as the Maintenance Challenge Fund, National Productivity Investment Fund, Housing Infrastructure Fund, funding associated with the Major Road Network for England, and the Transforming cities fund.

### Partnership working

The County Council is committed to working in partnership both at an operational and strategic level. A large number of partnership arrangements are already in place but the Council will seek to develop and grow these partnership arrangements in order to improve outcomes for the residents of Nottinghamshire.

The operating model set out in the Place Departmental Strategy reflects the Council's ability as influencers, such as our role in the D2N2 Local Enterprise Partnership, Midlands Engine, Safer Nottinghamshire Partnership and with culture and tourism partners. Through these partnerships the Council can achieve a great deal by brokering opportunities, attracting or unlocking investment, or influencing how/where other organisations invest funding to help meet priorities in Nottinghamshire.

In addition to delivery partners VIA EM Limited and AECOM (through the Midlands Highways Alliance), the County Council works with a range of stakeholders to identify and deliver transport improvements across the county including the public sector (other local authorities, Highways England, Network Rail, Midlands Service Improvements Group, etc.), the private sector (passenger transport operators, delivery groups etc.) and third sector/voluntary groups (interest groups, community groups etc.).

### Maintenance and integrated transport highways improvements

The Plan details how transport improvements are identified and prioritised; and details the major highway schemes to be funded during this Implementation Plan period. The LGF funded transport schemes in Nottinghamshire prioritised for funding during this Implementation Plan period are:

- Gedling Access Road major transport scheme
- Completion of the cycle networks funded from the D2N2 Sustainable Transport programme and Nottingham Enterprise Zone sustainable transport package
- Midland Mainline Market Harborough rail speed improvements (whilst not specifically in Nottinghamshire it will deliver benefits for Nottinghamshire residents)
- Completion of the Newark Southern Link Road.

The Implementation Plan is underpinned by a programme of measures that is developed and reviewed annually. The annual highway programmes details the measures and schemes that will be implemented during any given financial year to provide transport improvements. The County Council allocates funding for highways as part of its budget each February and following confirmation of available funding the Highways capital programmes are approved at Communities & Place Committee. There is, however, a need to develop larger transport schemes and undertake advanced design of such schemes so that they are developed sufficiently to enable the Council to bid for funding to deliver value for money improvements as and when opportunities arise.

A number of major scheme priorities are therefore identified within the Implementation Plan for investment to help deliver the growth corridor 'Opportunity Areas' and further feasibility work will be undertaken on these where funding permits:

- Integrated programmes to address existing and forecast journey time delays along the A1/A46/A52 Highways England corridor
- Integrated programmes to address existing and forecast journey time delays along the A38/A617/A611 corridor – including Kelham bridge/bypass improvements
- Integrated programmes to address existing and forecast journey time delays along the A614/A6097 corridor – including Ollerton Roundabout improvements
- Transport links to the Toton HS2 hub (for all road users, including potential rail links to Mansfield and Ashfield) to maximise the economic opportunities HS2 will offer in the county
- Gedling Access Road
- Re-opening the Dukeries Rail to commercial rail services to extend the Robin Hood Line to Ollerton
- Provision of targeted bus/rail based 'park & ride' where feasible and they deliver value for money options
  to deliver journey time savings for all road users.

There is also a number of major transport improvements planned in Nottinghamshire on Highways England's network as detailed in the Road Investment Strategy (RIS). These include the development of the A46 Newark northern bypass scheme for delivery during the second RIS period (post 2020). The County Council will continue (in collaboration with partners) to press for the A46 Newark improvements to be included and delivered during the second RIS period.

### **Programme management**

Detailed programme monitoring is undertaken (including progress, risk, current and anticipated spend on each project) on all highways schemes.

To ensure effective delivery and to cope with fluctuations in funding availability, or unexpectedly rapid or slow scheme progress, an overarching approach to programme management is taken. Flexibility is also required to take advantage of external funding opportunities, issues arising from consultation or legal processes, detailed design changes and variations to scheme estimates.

This is achieved by compiling a balanced programme with a range of scheme types and scale. Large scale schemes allow the efficient deployment of resources but are more vulnerable to scheme implementation delays and have a bigger impact on the programme if cost variations occur. Small scale schemes can be deployed quickly but tend to be more staff resource intensive. Reserve schemes are worked up so that if a scheme is delayed at any stage in the process, a replacement with a suitable state of readiness can be substituted.

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To reduce the risk of surprise (e.g. consultation delays, issues arising through detailed design, and poor cost estimates) a significant element of the programme has already been designed. This is, and has been for a number of years, done on a rolling basis so that a proportion of the design work in any one year is for schemes to be undertaken in a future year.

#### **Indicators**

A strong set of monitoring measures and systems are essential to allow us to track and monitor the impact we are having against our priorities. Only by regular reporting and thorough evaluation can we understand where we are really making the difference we set out to achieve, and where we need to adapt, change or stop projects and services we're providing.

The County Council has selected a combination of indicators with a view to ensuring that all aspects of strategy delivery are monitored. This ensures that all programmes and individual projects can be justified in terms of their contribution towards achieving the local strategic objectives but also reinforces their contribution to national objectives. A hierarchy of indicators has been developed which is:

- **key outcome indicators** for the relevant national indicators and any other indicators that directly measure the achievement of transport objectives
- **intermediate outcome indicators** which represent proxies or milestones towards key outcomes and includes targets for some national indicators (e.g. bus punctuality), and
- **contributory output indicators** measuring the delivery of schemes, policies or initiatives that will contribute towards the achievement of targets in the two categories above. Targets have not been set for output indicators as these will only be used to monitor trends but the current levels have been included for reference and to use as a base year.



# Report to the Communities and Place Committee

17 May 2018

Agenda Item: 8

# REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR, PLACE AND COMMUNITIES LOCAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEME 2018-21 – RECOMMENDATIONS

### **Purpose of the Report**

- 1. To consider applications received in respect of the Local Improvement Scheme 2018 to 2021 for capital and revenue funding support in accordance with the strategic priorities of the Council.
- 2. To seek approval for the award of funding for capital projects for 2018 to 2019.
- 3. To seek approval for the award of revenue funding as a contribution to projects and activities for a period of 3 years from 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2021.
- 4. To seek approval for the launch of an annual Talented Athletes fund.
- 5. To seek approval for the launch of a new round of capital funding for 2019 to 2020.

### Information

- 6. On 15 November 2017 Policy Committee approved the opening and launch of a new Local Improvement Scheme Integrated Funding Programme and Strategy 2018 to 2021 to provide support to help Nottinghamshire communities to be vibrant and sustainable.
- 7. In line with the Council's strategic priorities to put local people at the heart of everything it does and enable vibrant and supportive communities to grow the Local Improvement Scheme Integrated Funding Programme and Strategy 2018 to 2021 will contribute to supporting communities to be strong and resilient by providing a single coherent strategy to:
  - (a) Provide important opportunities to support local communities in making Nottinghamshire a great place to live, work, visit and relax.
  - (b) Help people to help themselves through encouraging volunteering and involvement in local organisations and charities.
  - (c) Promote healthier lifestyle choices.
  - (d) Build on the importance to communities and people of the value and reach of this financial support.
  - (e) Help local people to feel more in control of work taking place to improve our communities through having a single point of access for funding opportunities, as well as specifically targeted support, help and guidance.
  - (f) Encourage organisations to work in partnership to protect communities from crime and anti-social behaviour so people can be more confident about their safety.
  - (g) Encourage the protection and development of the local environment and heritage.
  - (h) Encourage a more streamlined approach for the administration of discretionary grant funding.

(i) Support Members in their roles as community leaders to respond to local ideas that bring community and economic benefit to Nottinghamshire.

### **Key Features of the Local Improvement Scheme**

- 8. Local Improvement Scheme Funding aims to support the best use of discretionary financial awards by delivering value for money through outcomes-focused approaches which help to deliver the Council's priorities. The new Local Improvement Scheme:
  - (a) Provides opportunities for communities to apply for revenue and capital funding.
  - (b) Sets a maximum per year for applicants for capital funding of £50,000 and £30,000 for revenue funding, with a minimum of £1,000 for each.
  - (c) Maintains a 3 year funding commitment for revenue funding, subject to satisfactory monitoring outcomes.
  - (d) Maintains an annual application process for capital funding, with an agreement that funding needs to be spent within 2 years of an application being awarded.
  - (e) Offer an annual fund to maintain support to Talented Athletes, with support from external clubs.
  - (f) Encourages applications from partnerships of voluntary and community organisations seeking to deliver countywide activities / projects.

### The launch of the Local Improvement Scheme

- 9. The Local Improvement Scheme (Revenue and Capital programmes) was launched on 20 November 2017. Promotion of the Scheme was wide-ranging throughout the County, using a range of communication methods.
- 10. The Communications Team supported the launch and promotion of the Scheme through various channels including press-releases, social media (which included regular Twitter feeds), and the Council's website, from where the application forms and guidance documents could be accessed online at any time and by anyone. Interested organisations were encouraged to sign up to the Council's 'Email Me' service and a new, bespoke email banner was created to help raise the profile of the new Scheme.
- 11. Information events were also hosted at various locations within the County to provide interested organisations with an opportunity to attend a presentation about the new Scheme and ask questions face-to-face.
- 12. Promotion of the Scheme was supported by a number of cross-departmental colleagues who shared the launch information with their own contacts. The launch information was also sent directly to recent recipients of discretionary funding and to all the Elected Members, as well as to all the Parish and Town Councils.
- 13. Information about the new Local Improvement Scheme was also shared with Parish Councils at the Conference for Parish and Town Councils hosted by the Leader of the Council and the Chief Executive.

### **Applications received**

14. A total of 408 applications were received. These included requests for capital and revenue funding support requesting a total of just under £7,000,000.

- 15. The **Appendix** to this report lists the recommended applications and includes:
  - The name of the organisation
  - Summary of the project
  - Match funding confirmed
  - Recommended amount
  - Name of Councillor supporting the application.
  - All applications were required to have the support of a County Councillor.
- 16. Applications were received from across the 7 boroughs and districts of the county. The breakdown of applications by borough / district, type of funding requested and total amount recommended is:

District	Capital Projects		Revenue Project	
District	No.	Amount	No.	Amount
Ashfield	6	£ 107,283	11	£ 77,130
Bassetlaw	9	£ 148,144	19	£ 116,650
Broxtowe	7	£ 112,935	20	£ 140,625
Gedling	4	£ 25,545	14	£ 88,300
Mansfield	2	£ 100,000	18	£ 78,700
Newark and Sherwood	31	£ 340,776	21	£ 135,595
Rushcliffe	17	£ 239,738	18	£ 120,825
Countywide Partnership	-	-	4	£ 412,000
Totals	76	£1,074,421	125	£1,169,825

17. Of the 408 applications received, 33 requested funding to purchase and erect village gateway signs, noticeboards, speed calming signs and memorials. It is recommended that these are approved in principle and that further consultation is pursued with the Highways Service on appropriate installation.

### The application and assessment process

- 18. Each application was put through a robust process whereby applications were assessed by a pool of cross-departmental officers who had participated in bespoke training to support them in their assessor roles. Each application was assessed independently by 2 assessors and each application was scored against set criteria and assessors provided comments as appropriate.
- 19. Due to the nature of village gateway signs, noticeboards, speed calming signs and memorials, these schemes are subject to further work and assessment with Via Highways colleagues. They are recommended for approval in principle.
- 20. Because of the nature of Summer Play Schemes, additional due diligence checks were carried out for these projects.
- 21. All assessments were moderated to provide assurance that the assessment process had been applied in line with the guidelines and to consider comments raised throughout the assessment process.

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### **Recommendations for Local Improvement Scheme funding**

- 22. There are 201 recommended applications (including 33 recommended in principle), totalling up to £2,244,246. This is broken down into:
  - 76 capital applications totalling £1,074,421 (including £184,597 for gateway signs in principle) are recommended for Local Improvement Scheme funding.
  - 125 revenue applications totalling £1,169,825 (including small grants) are recommended for Local Improvement Scheme funding.
- 23. It is recommended that approved projects are subject to the terms and conditions of the Local Improvement Scheme Agreement which has been drafted in consultation with Legal Services.
- 24. It is also recommended that practical support through the Communities Team is offered to organisations that have not been successful with their application.
- 25. It is recommended that the Capital Fund for 2019 to 2020 and the Talented Athletes fund are opened for applications from September 2018. The aspiration of the Talented Athletes Fund is to assist Nottinghamshire athletes to overcome some of the financial barriers which can exist when representing England / Great Britain. Detailed timetables are currently being devised.

### **Other Options Considered**

26. All the applications received have undergone rigorous assessment and moderation by officers and the Chair and the Vice-Chair of the Communities and Place Committee.

#### Reason/s for Recommendation/s

27. Community groups including Parish / Town Councils and the voluntary sector of Nottinghamshire play a vital role in the well-being of County residents and the grants awarded will contribute to achieving the County Council priorities.

### **Statutory and Policy Implications**

28. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, data protection and information governance, finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (public health services), the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and adults at risk, service users, smarter working, sustainability and the environment and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

### **Financial Implications**

- 29. The Local Improvement Scheme is supported through this Committees capital and revenue budget. The allocation for 2018 to 2019 is:
  - revenue budget 'Grants to Voluntary Organisations' totalling £1,690,482.
  - capital budget 'LIS' totalling £500,000.

- 30. To reflect the overall priorities of the Local Improvement Scheme it is recommended that £500,000 be transferred from the Committee's revenue budget to the capital budget.
- 31. Whilst the total applications in the sum of £2,244,246 exceeds the total revenue and capital budget allocations of £2,190,482 it is not anticipated that actual expenditure incurred will exceed the total budget available.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 1) To establish a capital fund of £1,000,000 by transferring £500,000 from the revenue budget to the capital budget.
- 2) To request the Finance and Major Contracts Management Committee to approve this transfer and to approve the amendment of the Capital Programme.
- 3) To approve the recommended funding, as outlined in paragraph 19 of this report, to 201 projects and activities listed in the **appendix** to this report.
- 4) To approve that the capital fund for 2019 to 2020 is open for applications from September 2018.
- 5) To approve the Talented Athletes fund for 2018 to 2019 and that the fund is opened for applications from September 2018.
- 6) To agree that practical support through the Communities Team is offered to the organisations not recommended for Local Improvement Scheme funding.

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### Constitutional Comments [SLB 18/04/2018]

32..Communities and Place Committee is the appropriate body to consider the content of this report.

### Financial Comments [RWK 04/05/2018]

33. The financial implications are set out paragraphs 29 to 31 of the report.

### **Background Papers and Published Documents**

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

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### Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All.

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## **Capital applications**

No.	Organisation	Project / Activity	Match Funding Confirmed	Recommended Amount	Supporting Councillor
1	209 West Bridgford Squadron Air Cadets	To purchase a minibus and provide greater access to activities.	£4,050	£7,500	Gordon Wheeler
2	Ashland Rovers Football Club	Football ground improvements.	£22,700	£20,000	Rachel Madden
3	Attenborough Garden Club	Creation of a community garden and wildlife areas.	£2,300	£1,500	Eric Kerry
4	Awsworth Bowls Club	To build a new pavilion.	£55,000	£15,000	John Doddy
5	Beckingham Cum Saundby Village Hall Committee	Resurfacing the village hall car park.	£15,000	£15,000	Tracey Taylor
6	Bestwood St Albans Parish Council	Inclusive outdoor gym and zip wire – encouraging community cohesion and reducing anti-social behaviour.	£9,585	£9,585	Chris Barnfather
7	Bilsthorpe Parish Council	To provide play area equipment for two parks.	£30,000	£30,000	Bruce Laughton
8	Blidworth Parish Council	To refurbish the current play area.	£40,000	£35,000	Yvonne Woodhead
9	CAST Angling Projects	To complete wheelchair accessible fishing platforms and low level sleeper bank retentions.	£0	£2,460	Gordon Wheeler
10	Chilwell Manor Golf Club	Development of a year-round practice area.	£15,000	£15,000	Eric Kerry
11	Collingham Tennis Club	To build a new tennis clubhouse and broaden tennis' appeal.	£25,000	£24,636	Maureen Dobson
12	Cromwell Village Hall	This project aims to increase the flexibility and possible uses of Cromwell Village Hall, giving choices of table sizes for different functions.	03	£1,123	Bruce Laughton
13	Edwinstowe Parish Council	Create a memorial garden for those who died in the last Nottinghamshire colliery.	£12,000	£12,000	John Peck

No.	Organisation	Project / Activity	Match Funding Confirmed	Recommended Amount	Supporting Councillor
14	Feel Good Gardens CIC	Improving a large community garden and the users' facilities.	£0	£17,100	John Peck
15	Friends of Sutton Lawn Park	Teenage and junior play equipment.	£28,000	£28,000	Samantha Deakin
16	Greasley Parish Council	Refurbishment of Greasley Sports and Community Centre.	£100,000	£50,000	John Handley
17	Harworth and Bircotes Town Council	Installing a multi-use games area (MUGA) in Snipe Park.	£30,000	£30,000	Sheila Place
18	Keyworth and District Tennis Club	To resurface two tennis courts.	£11,442	£11,442	John Cottee
19	Ladybrook Enterprises Ltd	Refurbishment of Ladybrook Community Centre.	£50,000	£50,000	Diana Meale
20	Leen Valley Golf Club	To improve existing facilities.	£20,000	£21,083	Ben Bradley
21	Mansfield Lawn Tennis Club Ltd	New clubhouse and floodlighting.	£75,000	£50,000	Joyce Bosnjak
22	Newark Rugby Union Football Club Ltd	Multi-phased facility development (kitchen and disabled access).	£377,850	£42,607	Stuart Wallace
23	Newark Town Council	Town Council Environmental Scheme – refurbishment of street furniture, signs, noticeboards and poppy trail.	£215,000	£50,000	Keith Girling
24	Newark Town Bowls Club	Addressing structural damage on the clubhouse.	£4,000	£4,000	Keith Girling
25	Newstead Colliery Miners Welfare Trust	To provide an efficient heating system.	£3,500	£3,500	Chris Barnfather
26	Newstead Parish Council	Play Park improvements.	£2,460	£2,460	Chris Barnfather
27	North Nottinghamshire Community Leisure Ltd	New lighting at the arena.	£42,500	£42,500	Glynn Gilfoyle
28	Nottinghamshire Clubs for Young People Ltd	New roof and lighting.	£17,280	£5,664	John Cottee

No.	Organisation	Project / Activity	Match Funding Confirmed	Recommended Amount	Supporting Councillor
29	Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust	Improving access to Besthorpe Reserve and creating homes for wildlife.	£7,705	£7,705	Maureen Dobson
30	Nuthall Parish Council	Disabled access improvements to Temple Community Centre.	£12,500	£12,500	Phil Owen
31	Portland College	To provide accessible woodland outdoor adventure.	£45,300	£27,500	Yvonne Woodhead
32	Radcliffe-on-Trent Parish Council	To build a bespoke skate park.	£8,000	£40,000	Kay Cutts
33	Rainworth and Blidworth Youth Project	To replace the heating system in the community centre.	£13,849	£13,849	Yvonne Woodhead
34	Reach Out Residents	To design and build a memorial commemorating the former site of the Hucknall no. 1 pit.	£1,050	£2,950	Kevin Rostance
35	Rhubarb Farm CIC	To purchase an accessible composting toilet and a portacabin to set up as a charity shop where clients of the service can volunteer.	£8,910	£8,910	Keith Girling
36	Selston Parish Council	To purchase outdoor gym equipment.	£5,596	£5,250	David Martin
37	Soar Valley Bus	To purchase a minibus.	52,000	£50,000	Andrew Brown
38	St Peter's Church, Sibthorpe PCC	To build an accessible toilet and refreshment servery to make the church into a community centre.	£20,000	£20,000	Francis Purdue- Horan
39	Sutton Junction Residents Association	To provide new toddler and junior play equipment at the John Whetton Park.	41,000	£30,000	Samantha Deakin
40	Warren Action Group	Purchase outdoor gym equipment.	£9,000	£10,000	Pauline Allan
41	Wellow St Swithin's Church Schoolroom Trustees	Schoolroom roof restoration.	£45,000	£15,000	John Peck
42	West Bridgford Tennis Club	Resurface three outdoor courts.	£24,600	£24,000	Gordon Wheeler

No.	Organisation	Project / Activity	Match Funding Confirmed	Recommended Amount	Supporting Councillor
43	Whatton-Aslockton Playing Field Trust	Installing a multi-use games area and a 'trim trail' at Whatton-Aslockton Playing Field.	£25,000	£25,000	Francis Purdue- Horan
		TOTAL	£1,527,177	£889,824	

### **Gateway Signs, Noticeboards and Memorials**

Organisation Name	Project Summary	Amount recommended	Supporting Councillor
Barnby Moor Parish Council	This project aims to enhance entry into the village from all aspects.	£7,110	Mike Quigley
Bleasby Aircrews Memorial Project Team	This project aims to construct a permanent and accessible paved foundation for the new Bleasby Aircrews Memorial for the 40 names, and other unknown, RAF aircrew men who were killed in flying incidents that happened very close to Bleasby during WWII. The men who were killed in these aircraft crashes came from the UK, Poland, Canada, Australia, Eire and New Zealand, and most were based at RAF Syerston, Nottinghamshire. Research findings have been published on the Aircrews Remembered website, which can be searched globally. The bodies of most of the overseas airmen who died in these incidents are buried at Newark Commonwealth War Graves Cemetery.	£2,000	Sue Saddington
Brinsley Parish Council	This project aims to provide an inspired and updated gateway feature entrance to this unique village within Nottinghamshire, which proudly retains its historical association with D.H. Lawrence Landscape, mining history and a history dating back to the Domesday Book (Brunneslea). New signage providing a welcoming entrance to the village for its parishioners, people travelling through and visitors will add a much sought feature to the roadside and would be enhanced with seasonal floral barriers.	£5,000	John Handley
Carlton-on-Trent Parish Council	This project aims to keep residents of Carlton and surrounding villages appraised of the Parish Council's activities and achievements, and inform them about local schemes, events and consultations which may benefit or affect them.	£3,000	Bruce Laughton
Caunton Parish Council	This project aims to raise drivers' awareness that they are entering a residential area, enhance the village appearance and promote community pride in the environment.	£3,810	Bruce Laughton

Organisation Name	Project Summary	Amount recommended	Supporting Councillor
Clipstone Parish Council	<ul> <li>This project aims to</li> <li>Improve the flow of information and ultimately communication between Clipstone Parish Council and the residents.</li> <li>Encourage public engagement.</li> <li>Instil civic pride.</li> <li>Improve CPC image.</li> <li>Provide quality product to last many years.</li> <li>Attract volunteers.</li> <li>Encourage community engagement and democratic involvement.</li> </ul>	£2,695	John Peck
Epperstone Parish Council	This project aims to improve the entrances to Epperstone village, enhance the approach and make it a more attractive entry.	£3,000	Roger Jackson
Farndon Parish Council	This project aims to resolve the incongruous situation of a lack of Farndon Gateway signs befitting Farndon's standing as one of the most visited villages in Nottinghamshire and to comply with the wishes of the providers of the Farndon Marina facility whilst benefitting the riverside restaurants and other organizations and service providers such as the Sea Scouts, Wildlife Trust and St Johns Crusader Boat river tours for the disabled.	£5,330	Sue Saddington
Fiskerton-cum-Morton Parish Council	This project aims to provide 2 new village signs for Fiskerton (one of 2 villages making up Fiskerton-cum-Morton Parish Council) which will give villagers a sense of belonging to a specific community, thus giving them a sense of pride in their village, encouraging social cohesion and getting to know their neighbours. This will make it a better place to live.	£1,600	Sue Saddington
Friends of Cotgrave Country Park	This project aims to provide visitors with direction signs to the park. Within the park itself, directional signposts and information boards with points of interest will help people find their way around the park's routes. Signs to be placed at strategic junctions on access roads and within the park.	£13,672	Richard Butler

Organisation Name	Project Summary	Amount recommended	Supporting Councillor
Kimberley Town Council	Grade II listed War Memorial needs underpinning of columns and restoration from weather conditions. It is the only memorial with a domed roof.	£13,935	Philip Owen
Laxton and Moorhouse Parish Council	This project aims to provide a symbol and focal point of the Moorhouse hamlet's road junctions and its rural heritage and setting.	£750	Mike Pringle
Misson Parish Council	The aim of this project is to provide the village of Newington with an identity and to enhance the pride felt by the residents of the village; by installing vibrant pictorial village signs at both entrances to the village.	£2,500	Tracey Taylor
Nether Langwith Parish Council	This project aims to improve the identity of the village.	£4,250	Kevin Greaves
Newton Parish Council	This project aims to reduce the speed of traffic coming through the village via traffic calming lights on Main Road.	£9,000	Neil Clarke
Newton Parish Council	This project aims to reduce the speed of traffic down Wellington Avenue via traffic calming lights.	£9,000	Neil Clarke
North Muskham Parish Council	This project aims to inform residents of the village of matters that are occurring that they need to be aware of to ensure that they can exercise their right to participate in local democracy. It also seeks to raise awareness of events happening locally that residents can attend to alleviate isolation.	£1,788	Bruce Laughton
Nottinghamshire Police Cadets (Worksop)	This project aims to replace the current worn memorial plaque that is situated in Worksop town centre. The plaque commemorates the death on duty of PC MCDONALD in 1978. The cadets' role will be to design and deliver a modern durable, educational and befitting monument for the benefit of the whole community.	£5,000	Gordon Wheeler
Ollerton and Boughton Town Council	To provide 3 noticeboards in Ollerton & Boughton to display council and other important information to local residents.	£2,000	Mike Pringle

Organisation Name	Project Summary	Amount recommended	Supporting Councillor
Ossington Parish Meeting	This project aims to renovate the World War 1 Memorial situated in the centre of the small village of Ossington. The memorial was erected to honour the men of the village who served, and in some cases died, for their country. Renovation will ensure that these men continue to be remembered.	£1,663	Bruce Laughton
Radcliffe-on-Trent Parish Council	This project aims to address the needs of local retail businesses by encouraging increase visitor numbers and footfall in the village, creating a vibrant high street and sustaining retail outlets. This will encourage economic growth and safeguard existing jobs and potentially create more.	£10,000	Kay Cutts
Rampton Parish Council	This project aims to 1) Provide Village Name Signs for Woodbeck. 2) Replace the Village Community Noticeboard in Rampton. 3) Replace the Public Bench on the Bend of Treswell Road Rampton. 4) Install Solar Panels & Battery Storage at Rampton Village Hall.	£15,236	John Ogle
Retford Business Forum CIC	This project aims to improve the gateway and information signage within the town, to safely and clearly direct all ages and abilities, to the heritage and amenities that Retford has to offer. This will improve and enhance the local environment and add value to the visitor experience while benefiting the community and the local economy.	£22,638	Steve Vickers
South Muskham and Little Carlton Parish Council	This project aims to ensure improved resilience of the Community of the Parish in the event of emergency incidents, specified in the Local Emergency Plan which we have drawn up for South Muskham / Little Carlton.	£3,400	Bruce Laughton

Organisation Name	Project Summary	Amount recommended	Supporting Councillor
Stanton-on-the-Wolds Parish Council	This project aims to enhance and improve the village signage to improve the identity of the village.	TBC	John Cottee
Sutton-on-Trent Parish Council	This project aims to provide customised signage at the three entrances to the village, incorporating requests to derive carefully through the village.	£8,000	Bruce Laughton
The Sherwood Forest Trust	This project aims to create a hand carved stone memorial within Rufford Abbey Park to rectify the longstanding lack of any WW1 memorial commemorating the WWI volunteers, serving soldiers and fallen within Rufford Parish or the grounds of this much visited former country house.	£8,080	John Peck
Upper Broughton Parish Council	This project aims to reduce the speed at which vehicles travel through the parish and improve safety for all parishioners and road users particularly young children, the elderly, cyclists and horse riders.	£2,000	John Cottee
Upton Parish Council	This project aims to raise drivers' awareness that they are entering a residential area from a fast road and so promote road safety and improve the village environment for residents; enhance the village appearance and promote community pride in the environment.	£5,000	Roger Jackson
Wellow Parish Council	Provide a notice board for the village to display Parish Council documentation and details of other community events.	£1,200	John Peck

Organisation Name	Project Summary	Amount recommended	Supporting Councillor
Western Front Association (East Midlands)	This project aims to recognise the 16 individuals who lost their lives in the service of our country. We say 'We will remember them' but without any point of focus this is difficult. These individuals were either born or lived in Aslockton and some of their relatives lie in the cemetery to this day.	£5,000	Francis Purdue- Horan
Weston Parish Council	This project aims to provide two gateway signs, sited on the main approaches to the village from the B1164 Great North Road. It is expected that the signs will include an image(s) that represents the village, its history and surrounding area. Work has commenced on collating information available for a central design including taking details of stained glass windows in the church. The final design is yet to be decided.	£5,940	Bruce Laughton
Wigsley Parish Meeting	This project aims to establish a right of way over a strip of land providing access to sustrains path 647 from Thorney Road Wigsley, Nottinghamshire	£1,000	Maureen Dobson
	TOTAL	£185,720	

## Revenue applications (including small grants)

No.	Organisation	Project / Activity	Match Funding Confirmed (3 years)	Amount Recommended	Supporting Councillor
1	209 West Bridgford Squadron Air Cadets	To provide greater access for young people to participate in a wide range of training and life experiences including camps.	£4,500	£1,350	Gordon Wheeler
2	A Place to Call Our Own	To provide a single point of access and one stop community centre where families feel safe, improve their health, education and wellbeing, develop new skills and have fun within an all-inclusive community hub.	£114,994	£17,500	Mike Pringle
3	Active Partners Trust (on behalf of Active Notts)	To use the power of sport and physical activity to support, empower and work with clubs, organisations and volunteers in targeted communities to reduce health inequalities. Ensuring volunteers and communities are supported to deliver great sport and physical activity. Making Nottinghamshire a healthier and a more active place to live	£90,000	£17,500	John Cottee
4	Age Concern Eastwood	To provide better management and capacity within the organisation to sustain our lunch club and social activities for older people from Eastwood and the surrounding areas. We will employ a part-time manager who will oversee day to day operations, secure funding and increase support for older people.	£105,120	£14,000	Tony Harper
5	Age Concern Harworth and Bircotes*	To create somewhere warm and friendly, with a nice atmosphere to encourage and motivate the older person to leave the safety and comfort of their own homes. Where they can feel safe, respected, and meet both old and new friends, escaping the loneliness and isolation many older people feel.	£1,000	£5,000	Sheila Place

No.	Organisation	Project / Activity	Match Funding Confirmed (3 years)	Amount Recommended	Supporting Councillor
6	Age Concern Mansfield*	To support elderly people in and around Mansfield, by providing a range of day facilities for elderly people. Specifically, we aim to continue the vital roles filled by two paid part-time staff.	£8,000	£2,000	Stephen Garner
7	Age Concern Warsop and District*	To provide 40 older local residents a hot cooked lunch two days per week. To organise safe transport from their home and back again and the opportunity to meet their friends. In addition we will run 9 day trips during the year, subsidising the cost to make it more affordable. We will also provide a free Christmas lunch for 125 elderly people.	£0	£4,000	Andy Wetton
8	Age UK Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Befriending	The provision of a Visiting & Befriending service to tackle loneliness amongst older people. Fully trained volunteers will support older people to engage in their local communities and stay healthy and happy as they grow older therefore allowing them to live independently for as long as possible.	£149,814	£16,870	Muriel Weisz
9	Age UK Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Men in Sheds	This Men in Sheds project will; - reduce loneliness and isolation among older men - improve older men's health and well-being - provide respite for carers - provide access to information, advice and health promotions - engage with the local community - create volunteering opportunities for retired men	£69,197	£8,190	Yvonne Woodhead
10	Alzheimer's Society Side by Side	To encourage and support people with dementia to remain active within their communities. Volunteers empower and support individuals to identify talents, strengths and capabilities, helping to maintain relationships with peers and the wider community.	£67,089	£14,000	Muriel Weisz

No.	Organisation	Project / Activity	Match Funding Confirmed (3 years)	Amount Recommended	Supporting Councillor
11	Ashfield Play Forum	To promote the value of play in improving the quality of life for children and young people. We support the provision of positive play opportunities by providing play resources, play days and training.	£46,386	£7,000	Jason Zadrozny
12	Ashfield Seniors	Supporting carers and people suffering with dementia to reduce the isolating impact of their condition and raise awareness of the services and activities available in the local area.	£0	£1,500	John Knight
13	Bamboozle Theatre Multi-sensory Family Experiences	To enable Nottinghamshire based children with profound and multiple learning difficulties (PMLD) and/or Autism to take part in a multi-sensory interactive family experience with their families. A new show is developed every year. Artists will take the children and their families on an interactive and multi-sensory creative journey – enabling the family to have quality time together – improving communication within the family, reducing social isolation and providing free quality creative activities to families where nothing else is available.	£5,200	£5,000	Diana Meale
14	Base 51	To build on the success and learning of the pilot counselling hub at Eastwood Youth Centre. Findings from the pilot clearly demonstrates a need to provide a local counselling service to young people (12 to 25 years) in the county, which is flexible and responsive to their needs.	£13,160	£7,000	Tony Harper
15	Bassetlaw Action Centre Bassetlaw Community Transport	To provide vital community transport services for older and vulnerable people throughout Bassetlaw, comprising a car scheme, minibus scheme and Multi-Purpose Vehicle, using volunteer drivers.	£350,000	£22,185	Tracey Taylor

No.	Organisation	Project / Activity	Match Funding Confirmed (3 years)	Amount Recommended	Supporting Councillor
16	Bassetlaw Community and Voluntary Service Nottinghamshire Together	To build on the strategic success of the existing Nottinghamshire Together partnership and its achievements in the co-production and redesign of services to whole system commissioning. Offering a single point of access for strategic infrastructure support whilst playing an active role in local place based area coordination.	£353,649	£110,000	Tony Harper
17	Beckingham Youth Club	To provide a fun and safe place for young people from Beckingham and surrounding areas to meet, socialise and take part in youth sports and activities, improving the physical, mental health and wellbeing of the Young People.	£1,800	£2,000	Tracey Taylor
18	Beeston Dementia Friends Beeston Memory Cafe	To support people with dementia and their carers living in the community. The cafe is a safe, friendly venue where all are welcome and dementia is accepted. Cafe sessions include social and arts therapy activities, information and the opportunity to meet and get to know new people.	£9,000	£5,000	Kate Foale
19	Blue Skies Community Initiative*	To deliver 8 days of affordable summer play scheme to rurally isolated children in the Retford area. Ambitious, exciting activities will ensure socially and financially disadvantaged children have high quality new experiences to raise aspiration and increase confidence.	£4,600	£1,000	Tracey Taylor
20	Broxtowe African Caribbean Elders Group*	To provide support and friendship to older socially isolated people by delivering a healthy eating lunch club, In addition exercise classes, games and crafts will create opportunities to connect with others from the local community.	£0	£2,000	Kate Foale
21	Broxtowe Play Forum	To provide low cost materials, arts, free scrap store and hire equipment to focal families, play and childcare providers. To plan and attend local play events, working with partners to provide stimulating play opportunities.	£0	£3,000	John Longdon

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22	Caribbean Elders Group*	To provide a monthly social, health and wellbeing session combining gentle chair based exercise, guest speakers, outings and creative activities and a healthy meal to reduce loneliness and isolation and build resilience in Gedling and surrounding areas.	£0	£2,000	Errol Henry
23	Carlton Youth Centre	To provide a welcoming place for young people to come to engage with youth workers whilst having fun and staying safe. Providing information and sign posting to other agency's including sexual health advice to employment opportunities.	£30,000	£4,000	Alan Rhodes
24	Central Nottinghamshire Mind Mental Health Recovery Service	To provide information, support and guidance on mental health issues to the communities of Nottinghamshire, through a programme of activities that meet local needs and equip people with the skills and resources to build their resilience and manage the emotional health of themselves and others.	£62,870	£49,000	Ben Bradley
25	Centre for Sport and Learning CIC	To contribute to the provision of a community resource centre in the heart of Manton, Worksop. To develop a cohesive and empowered community using the power of sport, learning and social activities. The centre is a trusted and safe environment bringing people together offering a range of activity and support services.	£9,625	£7,000	Kevin Greaves
26	Children's Bereavement Centre	Providing support and counselling to children aged 3-18 years and their families following a bereavement or loss. The service will be delivered across Nottinghamshire and Nottingham City; it is the only specialist support service provided in the county.	£100,800	£5,000	Gordon Wheeler

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27	Citizens Advice Broxtowe Volunteering and Advice Nottinghamshire	To provide free, impartial and confidential advice service in order to help people help themselves on a range of issues including - debt and money, benefits, employment, health and consumer issues. In addition we will act as advocates for vulnerable local people.	£446,036	£180,000	Kevin Rostance
28	City Arts (Nottingham) Ltd Express Yourself and Beyond	To provide a programme of creative opportunities for young people that will focus on emotional wellbeing, attainment, skills development and increasing young people's contribution the local community.	£38,653	£6,000	Michael Payne
29	Clipstone Miners Welfare Community Trust*	To provide a summer play scheme for Clipstone and surrounding areas.	£0	£1,000	John Peck
30	Collingham and District Village Care	To help local isolated people to continue to live independently by providing a transport service to attend health and social appointments (hospital, optician, dentist, day centre, shopping, hospital visiting, etc.).	£0	£3,060	Maureen Dobson
31	Community Transport for Town and County Harworth & Bircotes Community Minibus	To deliver a community minibus service in the Harworth area to enable access to health, leisure (social isolation) and shopping facilities. Providing independence to those who otherwise would be restricted by poor public transport.	£8,358	£4,250	Sheila Place
32	Cotgrave Advice Centre	To advise and support people on a range of issues which include - debt and money, benefits, employment, health and consumer matters.	£6,000	£2,000	Richard Butler
33	Creative Paths (EM) CIC	To deliver our workshops, small projects and sessions throughout Nottinghamshire. To reach people at risk of loneliness and to provide one to one support for older people who are unable to access meaningful activity in their homes or communities.	£35,600	£5,000	Joyce Bosnjak

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34	Dial a Trip Ltd	To provide a community transport service to vulnerable and isolated people enabling users to attend medical appointments, attend social events and visit friends/ relatives in hospital and care homes.	£2,400	£3,315	John Ogle
35	Disability Nottinghamshire	To deliver a community- based service providing information, advice and support to the people of Nottinghamshire. Empowering people to make informed decisions about their lives, helping them to access appropriate financial and health support	£0	£17,500	Yvonne Woodhead
36	Eagle's Nest Church	To provide children, youth and families regular positive activities in Arnold, promoting strong social connections within the community, physical activeness, and giving practical and emotional support to families.	£5,615	£3,000	Pauline Allan
37	Eastwood Memory Cafe	To help those affected by dementia and their carers to live well by providing a safe space to talk without fear of being judged in a warm, friendly environment and arranging outside events. To engage with the wider community to provide a more educated, tolerant and understanding place to live.	£850	£1,000	Tony Harper
38	Eastwood Volunteer Bureau Community Transport	To provide a community transport service offering safe, accessible, cost effective, flexible transport run by the community for the community. It meets the needs of people who cannot easily access cars, taxis or buses and make journeys that most people take for granted.	£0	£11,900	Tony Harper
39	Feel Good Gardens CIC	To help local people be healthier, happier, better informed, and less isolated by offering them the opportunity to grow fruit, flowers, vegetables and to develop woodworking skills. The project is delivered an accessible community garden site in the Nottinghamshire countryside.	£13,000	£7,000	John Peck

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40	Focus On Young People In Bassetlaw	Working with young people to enable them to become involved in community projects and events, physical activities, work experience and volunteering. Support young people to make informed choices and give them opportunity to develop skills that can be transferred in everyday life and future employment.	£7,400	£7,000	Glynn Gilfoyle
41	Forces in the Community	To provide advice, information and support for veterans and their families enabling them to live fulfilled lives and make a positive contribution to the wider community.	£0	£7,000	Keith Girling
42	Fountaindale School Fund The SMILE Project	To provide access to quality social and leisure opportunities for our pupils with complex physical, medical and sensory needs outside of the school day.  SMILE stands for the things that make our pupils smile - Swimming, Mates, Independence, Leisure and Enjoyment.	£7,088	£5,000	Samantha Deakin
43	Fountaindale School Fund* Summer Play Scheme	Summer play scheme providing specialist support for children and young people with complex physical, medical and sensory needs.	£0	£2,500	Samantha Deakin
44	Friends of Greenwood Community Forum The Future is Green	Through training workshops equipping volunteers with the skills and confidence to help manage green spaces, organise themselves, engage with local users and offer a range of activities from education visits by schools to identification walks and talks.	£2,500	£2,000	John Handley
45	Gedling Asian Elders Association*	To provide older people with somewhere to connect with others and reduce loneliness isolation. Once a week a freshly prepared vegetarian meal will be provided for members and a programme of events that will include exercise and health advice will be delivered.	£0	£2,000	Muriel Weisz

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46	Gedling Play Forum	To improve through play the education, recreation, social welfare and well-being of children and young people. To plan and attend local play events, working with partners to provide stimulating play opportunities.	£9,000	£7,000	John Clarke
47	Good Vibrations (Music) Ltd Bersama Project	This is a music project on the surface, however it's really about team-working, communication, connecting with people and inspiring and motivating them. We support people to develop life/work skills and to improve their mental well-being through building personal resilience. Participants develop positive self-identities and produce outcomes they are proud of.	£17,983	£5,000	Joyce Bosnjak
48	Headway (Nottingham) Ltd Brain Injury Outreach Project	To provide support, information and access to rehabilitation for people with brain injuries, their families and carers. Improving the quality of life for people with profound, brain injury related disabilities in Nottinghamshire.	£25,800	£10,500	Steve Carr
49	Hetts Lane Holiday Club*	To provide a safe summer play scheme for children 5-11 years.	£851	£1,000	Andy Wetton
50	Home-Start Nottingham	To empower people to become more resilient, self-determined, engaged with their local communities and ultimately to be the best parents they aspire to be. The project will help keep children and young people safe, improve health outcomes and close the gap in educational attainment.	£106,000	£73,000	John Cottee
51	Hope Nottingham CIO Hope House	To provide a holistic community support hub, enabling local people to work together to bring help to their most disadvantaged neighbours. We provide practical help, advice and befriending support. We have created a welcoming community and empower people to build better lives.	£187,200	£11,900	Steve Carr

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52	Hope Springs Horticulture CIC Hope Springs Sutton	Providing horticultural therapy sessions for people with enduring mental health difficulties. The project aims to promote healthy living through physical activity and access to organically grown produce. People accessing the service improve mental wellbeing, increase confidence and reduce their social isolation.	£36,100	£3,500	Samantha Deakin
53	Inspire: Culture, Learning and Libraries Dementia Friendly Film Screenings	To provide a regular film screening in Mansfield Library open to all but targeted at and particularly suitable for people living with dementia and memory challenges, their family and friends.	£0	£2,000	John Cottee
54	Jigsaw Support Scheme Jigsaw Hoarders Project	To provide support to hoarders by building their self- esteem, to develop goals to reduce/eliminate hoarding behaviour and provide referral to appropriate health, social care, financial advice, counselling and befriending services.	£3,000	£10,500	Joyce Bosnjak
55	Kimberley Institute Cricket Club	Integrating personal development with physical activity to support men living with mental health challenges. Improving mental and physical health and wellbeing, by creating new support networks.	£892	£3,000	Philip Owen
56	Kingsway Community Project Kingsway Over 50's	To provide a range of activities for people aged 50 and over. The activities include a lunch club, gentle physical activities and a place to socialise and learn new skills. The activities are designed to improve general health and wellbeing and reduce social isolation.	£35,573	£7,000	Vaughan Hopewell
57	Kingsway Community Project Kingsway Youth	To provide support and positive diversions for young people aged 10 to 18 by providing a youth centre base where we offer a range of activities including life skills and healthier lifestyle development.	£14,046	£4,000	Vaughan Hopewell

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58	Kirkby Senior Forum	To improve the wellbeing, mental health and reduce social isolation of older people, by holding regular social events, health related presentations and activities.	£4,470	£1,000	John Knight
59	Lighthouse (Mansfield)*	To provide a week-long children's summer holiday club for ages 5 to 14. Volunteers from 30 churches will engage children with fun, games, life skills coaching, whilst utilising different outside agencies to introduce children to various activities normally outside the normal reach of many families.	£0	£2,000	Stephen Garner
60	Literacy Volunteers in Nottinghamshire Schools "Continue and Expand" Project	To support children experiencing problems with reading and communication. The project plans to secure an additional 30 volunteer placements and support over 1000 children in 108 primary schools.	£159,550	£17,500	Kay Cutts
61	Mansfield Harriers and Athletic Club	To provide access to athletics to young people through delivery of cross-country competitions, followed up with free after school sessions supplemented with 4 free coaching sessions at the athletics club to all young people.	£0	£1,000	Stephen Garner
62	Mansfield Junior Badminton Club Increase participation in sport of Badminton	To support and strengthen the local community by encouraging and increasing participation and volunteering opportunities.	£0	£1,000	Joyce Bosnjak
63	Mansfield Play Forum	Provision of accessible play opportunities that meet the social, psychological and physical needs of children. Services offered include: a Play Resource Centre, Toy Library, Loan Equipment, Scrap store, Positive Play, Street and Park Play, Play in Schools and Play Days.	£0	£7,000	Stephen Garner

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64	MHA Newark Live at Home Scheme	Reducing isolation and loneliness in older people by connecting them in communities that care. The aim is to improve mental and physical wellbeing, enhance quality of life and help them to remain active participants in their community whilst ensuring they remain living in their own homes.	£45,900	£7,000	Stuart Wallace
65	MHA Southwell Live at Home Scheme	Offering support for independent living to people aged 60+, providing services which enable members to continue living in their own homes for longer reduce social isolation and loneliness.	£84,000	£7,000	Roger Jackson
66	MHA Worksop Live at Home Scheme	Promoting social inclusion, health & wellbeing, reducing isolation and loneliness. Enabling older adults to remain independent and able to live in their own homes for as long as possible.	£127,272	£7,000	Alan Rhodes
67	Movement for All Everybody Dance	'Everybody Dance' will provide 36 dance sessions per year for people aged 60-80+ in the Brinsley and Eastwood areas. Participants will rehearse and perform dances for local groups including memory cafés, luncheon clubs, and care homes.	£9,740	£2,500	John Handley
68	Muddy Fork Gardening for Wellbeing	To help people overcome common mental health disorders, including depression, anxiety and post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD). This will be done by providing opportunities and support to get involved in volunteer gardening and conservation.	£4,987	£4,000	Mike Quigley
69	National Justice Museum Education Creative Court	To train three cohorts of unemployed adults each year to deliver learning sessions to local school children. Adults and children will gain awareness and understanding of their rights and responsibilities	£26,952	£5,000	Glynn Gilfoyle

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70	Netherfield Forum - Loco Centre	Providing a safe venue for the delivery of a range of social activities, educational & wellbeing sessions to those living in an area of multiple deprivation. The centre is inclusive; it is open to all children & young people in Netherfield and the surrounding areas.	£0	£5,000	Nicki Brooks
71	Newark and Sherwood CVS Door to Door	Providing safe, affordable, accessible and responsive transport for individuals and groups, enabling greater independence and social interaction for vulnerable people, many of whom would rarely leave their house without this provision.	£8,000	£11,645	Stuart Wallace
72	Newark and Sherwood Play Support Group	Delivering play activities from 2 community venues for various groups and individuals. The provision includes arts and crafts for children and adults to play schemes and play days. Other activities and support offered which keep the local communities healthy include; yoga, pilates, chairbased exercises, cookery classes, floristry and archery.	£21,000	£7,000	Sue Saddington
73	Newark Book Festival	A contribution towards arts and literacy festival that reaches new audiences, artists and communities. Providing opportunities to develop new skills, raise aspirations and ambition.	£17,500	£1,000	Keith Girling
74	Newark Community Art Club	Providing weekly art sessions delivered by a professional artist open to all Year 5 to Year 11 children in the Newark area. The Club also delivers intergenerational community arts events and supports young people to facilitate these events by developing their skills to do so.	£0	£2,000	Keith Walker
75	Newstead Youth Club Committee	To facilitate a range of activities that include; sports, arts, heritage, learning opportunities which improve young people's skills, and address such issues as Anti-Social Behaviour, Hate Crime and Criminal Damage.	£15,150	£4,500	Chris Barnfather

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76	Nottingham Counselling Service	To establish two new hubs to widen access to counselling for adults and young people, targeting BME communities across Nottinghamshire and also people with low incomes living in Mansfield and the North of the County.	£91,125	£7,000	Diana Meale
77	Nottingham Mencap	Improving the health and wellbeing of people with learning disabilities & autism by increasing their confidence and knowledge about safety at home, in the community and when using the internet. This will enable them to lead more independent, fulfilling lives and encourage inclusion within our local communities.	£46,080	£7,000	Mike Pringle
78	Nottingham Playhouse Trust Ltd SHINE	SHINE will empower 160 children and young people from disadvantaged backgrounds proving that Nottinghamshire is a great place to fulfil their ambitions through drama led intervention. It will increase their confidence, develop their employability skills, reach their potential, discover their voices and achieve a nationally recognised qualification.	£62,161	£14,000	John Doddy
79	Nottinghamshire Clubs for Young People Ltd	Providing a much needed and essential space for children and young people (and their carers) with disabilities to congregate, to be stimulated, to grow, develop and ultimately be resilient to make the transition to adulthood in a safe, quality-run provision.	£9,600	£10,500	John Cottee
80	Nottinghamshire County Scout Council	To widen access and participation in scouting and support volunteers training.	£0	£5,000	Philip Owen
81	Nottinghamshire Deaf Society Deaf Community Development	Supportive activities for people who are deaf. To increase the provision of opportunities for people with an acquired hearing loss. To form vibrant and supportive self-help communities, promoting volunteer and deaf led activities.	£22,000	£15,400	Alan Rhodes

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82	Nottinghamshire Federation of Young Farmers Clubs	Increasing the opportunities of young people living in rural areas of Nottinghamshire through its membership led clubs. Delivering a personal development training programme and officer support to provide a dynamic social and healthy lifestyle with competitions, sport and social programmes.	£5,000	£7,700	Bruce Laughton
83	Notts LGBT+ Network	Providing information and support to Nottinghamshire's LGBT + community and those who have concerns for its welfare. Delivered through: a telephone helpline; community newsletter; volunteering opportunities; training; website and social media presence.	£0	£1,000	Michael Payne
84	Nuthall Parish Council Basil Russell Youth Club	Summer Youth Club delivered during the school holidays when the existing provision (at Kimberley Young People's Centre) is closed.	£2,000	£2,000	Philip Owen
85	Oasis Community Church, Centre and Gardens Oasis Community Centre and Gardens	Delivering over 30 projects creating a Heart for the Community in the Heart of the Community. The project encompasses all ages from toddlers/children/youth, and elderly people. Projects include dementia care, disabled kids respite care, abused men and women; education projects; Community events and activities reaching 5,000 people annually.	£32,000	£10,500	Glynn Gilfoyle
86	Oasis Community Church, Centre and Gardens*	A summer play scheme.	£0	£1,000	Glynn Gilfoyle
87	Oasis Community Church, Retford*	A summer play scheme.	£0	£1,000	Glynn Gilfoyle
88	Our Centre Resource Centre	Working in partnership with other voluntary and statutory organisations and individuals; to provide a trusted service accessible to all. Acting as a recruiting agency for volunteers; providing a central resource of information, advice and signposting, community transport service, and facilities to assist in the interests of social welfare.	£16,000	£4,000	John Knight

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89	Our Centre Voluntary Transport	Providing safe, affordable, accessible and responsive transport for individuals and groups, enabling greater independence and social interaction for vulnerable people, many of whom would rarely leave their house without this provision.	£48,000	£47,430	John Knight
90	Pleasley Playscheme*	Children aged 5 to 11, can experience a range of exciting and engaging activities, have fun and grow friendships within a safe, supportive environment. Included is a free cooked lunch each day and opportunities for trips out.	£0	£1,200	Diana Meale
91	Plumtree Cricket Club (Ladies Section) Engaging women in sport, specifically cricket, at Plumtree Cricket Club	Using recognised engagement techniques young women from the age 13 onwards will be introduced into the sport of cricket and develop their health and social wellbeing by being part of a supportive team. The project provides highlevel group and individual coaching to motivate and empower women to stay active and achieve their potential.	£3,000	£1,000	John Cottee
92	Radcliffe Family Playdays*	Making free high-quality play and activity sessions available to 0 to 11 year olds and their parents / carers for weekly 2 hour planned sessions during the school summer break and to provide family activities at local community events. The service is completely run by volunteers.	£1,170	£1,000	Kay Cutts
93	Radcliffe-on-Trent Community Youth Project Ltd Community Open Project	A Friday evening provision creating a warm place for young people to socialise, with the option to have a hot meal, have fun, and to help build positive and sustained relationships.	£2,331	£6,000	Kay Cutts

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94	Rainworth and Blidworth Detached Youth Project Youth and Community Centre	A youth and community centre providing:  • Youth and play services  • Work, volunteering placements and 1-2-1 work skills coaching.  • Access to food/essentials for vulnerable people  • Information, advice, guidance & signposting  • Reduce social isolation and anti-social behaviour  • Improve community cohesion and citizenship	£35,332	£5,000	Yvonne Woodhead
95	Rainworth and Blidworth Detached Youth Project* Summer Play Scheme	A Summer Play Scheme for Rainworth and Blidworth	£0	£1,000	Yvonne Woodhead
96	Ravenshead Community Transport	A community transport service with routes to Blidworth and Rainworth and Ravenshead, delivering benefits for the older, less mobile, and disabled residents which helps reduce social isolation, provide door-to-door services, enhance quality of life and provides greater independence	£41,490	£13,430	Chris Barnfather
97	Reach Learning Disability Reach Together	Enabling people with learning disabilities in Nottinghamshire to:  • Be less at risk of loneliness and resultant negative impact on health  • Be able to communicate more confidently with others  • Become more active citizens with stronger community connections  • Be as independent as possible with greater control over decisions.	£30,000	£7,000	Bruce Laughton
98	Rhubarb Farm CIC Supporting Rhubarb	To appoint a Volunteer Coordinator to manage the large number of Nottinghamshire residents who visit Rhubarb Farm with complex needs, requiring intensive support, signposting services and training.	£30,000	£7,000	Kevin Greaves

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99	Rushcliffe CVS Access to Volunteering	Access to Volunteering is a supported volunteering project which supports people with learning disabilities and autism to get involved with volunteering, with the support of a volunteer 'buddy'.	£62,100	£10,500	Richard Butler
100	Rushcliffe CVS Rushcliffe and Gedling Voluntary Transport Scheme	Providing safe, affordable transport to meet the needs of people who have difficulty in using /accessing transport: due to age, disability, ill health, poor mobility or lack of suitable transport services.	£91,200	£25,500	Richard Butler
101	Rushcliffe Play Forum	Promoting recycling by reusing materials in creative and fun ways that reduce waste whilst also encouraging people of all ages to develop their fine motor and imaginative skills which support their emotional and social well-being.	£5,000	£4,000	Liz Plant
102	Selston Parish* Stay'n'Play	To give children, parents, grandparents and carer's time and opportunities to socialise, try new indoor and outdoor activities, and interact with each other during the long summer holidays.	£1,692	£1,000	David Martin
103	Skate Nottingham CIC	To engage youth in weekly taught skateboard sessions alongside wider educational creative & employability projects, re-activating Lady Bay skate park (unused following fire damage), improving individual health & wellbeing and building long-term user community capacity for re-development fund-raising and consultations.	£9,993	£5,000	Liz Plant
104	Soar Valley Bus	Delivering accessible and affordable, "door to door" transport services across the thirteen villages and isolated dwellings of the Soar Valley; by responding to the increasing needs of the vulnerable, disadvantaged and to assist in overcoming the disabilities of age that increase social isolation and loneliness.	£20,000	£2,975	Andrew Brown

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105	Southwell and Nottingham Diocese	To provide information, advice and support for youth workers and volunteer leaders in their roles support young people.	£22,892	£7,000	Muriel Weisz
106	Stacy's Playscheme*	Providing a safe and fun environment for children during the summer holiday exploring age appropriate play activities and crafts.	£0	£1,000	Maureen Dobson
107	Stonebridge City Farm Growing Impact	Developing a training centre for people with a learning disability, increasing opportunities for volunteering, work experience, employment skills development and educational support to Nottinghamshire Schools.	£380,000	£5,000	Errol Henry
108	Sutton Bonington Playscheme*	Providing craft, sports and other fun opportunities for children in the local area during 2 weeks of the summer holidays.	£0	£1,000	Andrew Brown
109	Sutton Youth Radio Ltd Takeover Radio 106.9FM	A fully licenced community radio station broadcasting on FM and online to Ashfield and Mansfield. Young people aged 8-17 are trained in presenting and host their own radio shows. During the day it operates a work experience programme for young unemployed adults.	£0	£2,000	Samantha Deakin
110	The Centre Place	This is a specialist one-to-one, group and counselling services for LGBT+ children, young people and their parents and carers across Nottinghamshire.	£71,354	£5,000	Glynn Gilfoyle
111	The Crossing SEC Ltd Keeping Well Project (Physical & Mental Wellbeing for all)	Providing a variety of regular weekly activities open to all, aimed at encouraging physical & mental wellbeing (seated exercise classes, lunch clubs, social groups etc.). And supporting volunteers who are older and/or have physical disabilities, or mental health issues and who use volunteering as part of "keeping well".	£34,215	£5,000	Alan Rhodes
112	The Daybrook Crew	Supporting a junior youth club for children aged from 7 to 14 years in the Daybrook and Arnold areas	£4,065	£1,500	Muriel Weisz

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113	The Friary	Empowering local homeless and vulnerable adults to rebuild their lives by delivering an open access drop-in facility 3 times a week offering in depth advice, health and practical support services.	£125,000	£7,000	Gordon Wheeler
114	The Furniture Project Boughton (Nottinghamshire) The Furniture Project	A furniture recycling project supporting vulnerable people to manage their money and become financially resilient and increasing volunteering opportunities.	£47,600	£5,000	Mike Pringle
115	The Helpful Bureau	Helping older and or disabled people to remain living safely and independently in their homes by providing practical help, such as gardening, decorating, handyman and home support services.	£84,780	£19,670	John Longdon
116	The Helpful Bureau Autumn Years Activities	Offering social groups, activities, outings, movement to music sessions, a meeting place and a hot two course lunch. To encourage people to socialise and take up hobbies, exercise and access help and advice.	£36,165	£4,000	Eric Kerry
117	The Helpful Bureau South Broxtowe Voluntary Transport Scheme and Car Scheme Plus	A community transport scheme for South Broxtowe and surrounding areas, using volunteer drivers to take older/disabled adults to medical appointments, shopping, visiting or other support groups.	£15,798	£12,155	John Doddy
118	The Inspire and Achieve Foundation IAF Healthy Life Choices	To improve the mental and physical health, independence, resilience, and the life chances of disadvantaged 16 to 25 year olds in Mansfield. This will be achieved by running a boxing and football outreach project, and by providing one to one mentoring, and information advice and guidance.	£27,334	£9,000	Diana Meale
119	Think Children	To preserve and protect the emotional well-being of disadvantaged young children who are experiencing the stress and strain of multiple family issues through the provision of early intervention and support, so that their life chances may be improved.	£30,600	£5,000	Sue Saddington

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120	Tin Hat Centre*	To increase the number of befriending meals available per week. The befriending meal may be the only healthy nutritional meal older and vulnerable people have during the week. An opportunity to meet up and socialise also has a major impact on relieving isolation and loneliness.	£6,600	£2,200	David Martin
121	Toton Holiday Zone*	Providing a safe space for local children to have fun, make friends and take part in exciting and challenging activities during the school holidays.	£5,732	£1,000	Eric Kerry
122	Transform Training Ltd	Offering support to young people aged 14 and 25 who have learning disabilities, challenging behaviour or are sexually exploited. The programme provides emotional / mental well-being training and is well supported by local community volunteers. It enables young people to improve their lives and participate in education, employment or training.	£22,000	£9,000	Richard Jackson
123	Unanima Theatre Escaping The Echo Chamber	A collaboration project between the University of Nottingham, Young Adults Living with Learning Disabilities and Unanima Theatre to create a piece of theatre using autobiographical stories and testimonies that reveals and communicates the experiences of young people with LD and their carers to influence change.	£9,970	£3,000	Joyce Bosnjak
124	Warsop Youth Club	To provide weekly activities throughout the year for children and young people in Warsop. Through these activities we will befriend, support and encourage them so that they feel better equipped to transition into adulthood and fulfil their potential as individuals and members of society.	£14,601	£4,000	Andy Wetton

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125	West Bridgford Advice Centre	To provide quality information and other advice services for the benefit of the residents of West Bridgford and surrounding areas. Clients with queries which are outside the remit and competences of the Centre's volunteers are directed to the appropriate professional or other specialist services.	£0	£1,000	Liz Plant
		TOTAL	£4,737,250	£1,169,825	

<sup>\*</sup> These are Small Grants (i.e. Luncheon Clubs and Summer Play Schemes).



### Report to the Communities and Place Committee

17 May 2018

Agenda Item: 9

# REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR, PLACE AND COMMUNITIES CHANGES TO THE TRADING STANDARDS STAFFING STRUCTURE

### **Purpose of the Report**

1. To propose changes to the Trading Standards staffing structure.

#### Information

- 2. The Trading Standards & Communities Service has two separate budgets, one relating to Trading Standards and one to Communities. This proposed structure changes relate to the Trading Standards staffing budget structure.
- 3. As part of the work during the Authority's Commercial Development Unit (CDU) Pilot, a business plan was developed to reduce the net Trading Standards budget by £321k per annum by the end of 2019/20, through income generation. This plan was approved by Policy Committee on 16<sup>th</sup> November 2016. This plan increased by £145k a commitment from previous budget setting processes to reduce the net Trading Standards budget by a total of £175k during 2017/18 and 2018/19, through income generation.
- 4. At the 6<sup>th</sup> January 2015 Community Safety Committee approval was given for the establishment of a temporary project manager post within Trading Standards for a three year period (June 2015 to June 2018) to maximise opportunities to generate income. That post assisted managers with developing the business plan as part of the CDU Pilot and with developing an income generation model for the Service, including the establishment of procedures and creation of marketing materials etc. In year 3 the full £50k cost of that role was required to be found from additional income generated.
- 5. To assist with continuing the commercial work going forward this report proposes the creation of a permanent (Band C) Principal Trading Standards Officer (Commercial) post within the Service. The role will combine the Trading Standards expertise needed to deliver and support the delivery of expert Trading Standards advice/consultancy services with marketing and commercial abilities to further develop income generation opportunities going forward.
- 6. The proposal is to convert a recently vacated Level 4 (Band B) Trading Standards Officer role into the new (Band C) Principal Trading Standards Officer role.
- 7. Moving forward the Service needs sufficient experienced Trading Standards Officer resource to meet the increasingly complex work required to generate this income, such as complex

business advice and consultancy work and specialist food and feed enforcement for other authorities etc. Changing priorities for the Service over recent years has also resulted in the Service taking on more complex, challenging and higher risk investigations requiring experienced and highly qualified Trading Standards Officers to lead them.

- 8. The Service currently has the following Trading Standards Officers posts:
  - 9.4 FTE Level 4 Trading Standards Officers (Band B) (one vacant)
  - 9 FTE Level 3 Trading Standards Officers (Band A) (one vacant)
  - 6.6 FTE Level 1/2 Trading Standards Officers (Grade 4/5) (three vacant)
- 9. Nationally there is a recognised shortage of qualified Trading Standards Officers within the profession and it is proving difficult to recruit and retain officers in the Service. A recent recruitment process for two vacant Level 3 Trading Standards Officer roles resulted in only one suitable candidate for the two advertised roles. The Service also currently has a recently vacant Level 4 Trading Standards Officer role.
- 10. The Service currently has three vacant Level 1/2 Trading Standards Officer posts and the intention is to recruit three apprentices under the new national Regulatory Compliance Officer (RCO) apprenticeship scheme. Having successfully completed the apprenticeship the officers will then train as Trading Standards Officers within the Service under a new amended national Trading Standards Qualification Framework that is being developed.
- 11. The three apprentices will need professional mentoring and support from Level 4 Trading Standards Officers in the Service during the course of their training. It is important therefore to maintain the same number of Level 4 Trading Standards Officer posts in addition to the new Principal Trading Standards Officer (Commercial) post.
- 12. In summary therefore this report proposes the following changes to the Trading Standards staffing structure:
  - Create a new permanent (Band C) Principal Trading Standards Officer (Commercial)
  - Retain the number of Level 4 (Band B) Trading Standards Officers at 9.4 FTE
  - Reduce the number of Level 3 (Band A) Trading Standards Officers from 9 FTE to 8 FTE

The estimated total net additional cost of these proposed changes would be £12,500.

13.In the last few months two Trading Standards Officers have requested a reduction in their working hours to work 34 hours per week in a full time 37 hours per week role, to assist with personal commitments. The estimated total savings to the Service's staffing costs from these flexible working arrangements are £7,600. The remaining balance of £4,900 would be found from additional income generation.

### **Other Options Considered**

14. Consideration has been given to extending the duration of the temporary Project manager role beyond the 3 years.

15. Consideration has been given to re-advertising the remaining vacant Level 3 Trading Standards Officer post.

#### Reason/s for Recommendation/s

- 16. The commercialisation project to date has identified that moving forward Trading Standards technical knowledge and expertise is needed for this specialist role to be able to sell the full benefits of the commercial offer to businesses and further develop innovative income generating opportunities.
- 17. Converting a vacant Level 4 Trading Standards Officer role into the Principal Trading Standards Officer (Commercial) post creates a more sustainable solution going forward with limited additional income needed to be generated to cover the costs of the role.
- 18. The Service is unlikely to be able to successfully recruit to the remaining vacant level 3 TSO role in the immediate future. Additional experienced officer resource is urgently needed to meet the demands upon the Service. An external recruitment process for a Level 4 Trading Standards Officer would be more likely to attract interest from experienced Trading Standards Officers from other authorities.
- 19. Retaining the level of Level 4 Trading Standards Officer resource will provide the resource needed to mentor and support the three new Level 1 Trading Standards Officers through their RCO apprenticeships and the Trading Standards qualification.

### **Statutory and Policy Implications**

20. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, data protection and information governance, finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (public health services), the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and adults at risk, service users, smarter working, sustainability and the environment and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

### **Financial Implications**

21. The proposed changes can be met from within the Trading Standards Staffing budget. The estimated additional cost of £12,500 for the proposals is met by recent flexible working requests that have provided an estimated £7,600 savings on salary spends within the Trading Standards staffing budget with the balance of £4,900 to be generated from additional income.

### **Human Resources Implications**

22. To establish a Trading Standards Officer (Commercial) post – indicative grade Band C 1FTE. To disestablish a Level three Trading Standards Officer post 1FTE.

### **RECOMMENDATION/S**

1) It is recommended that the Committee approve the proposed changes to the Trading Standards staffing structure as summarised in paragraph 12.

### **Derek Higton Service Director, Place and Communities**

**For any enquiries about this report please contact:** Mark Walker, Group Manager Trading Standards & Community Safety x 72173 or Sarah Houlton, Team Manager Trading Standards & Community Safety x 72460.

### Constitutional Comments [KK 30/04/2018]

23. The proposal in this report is within the remit of the Communities and Place Committee.

### Financial Comments [RWK 30/04/2018]

24. The financial implications are set out in paragraph 21 of the report.

### HR Comments [JP 01/05/2018]

25. The HR implications are set out in the report.

### **Background Papers and Published Documents**

None

### **Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected**

All



### Report to the Communities & Place Committee

17 May 2018

Agenda Item: 10

### REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR, PLACE AND COMMUNITIES

### UPDATE ON KEY TRADING STANDARDS AND COMMUNITY SAFETY MATTERS

### Purpose of the Report

1. To update the Committee on key Trading Standards and Communities Service matters;

#### Information

### **Trading Standards**

2. Doorstep Crime - Between January and March 2018 Trading Standards received 34 reports of doorstep crime with 11 resulting in support provided to the victim and the remainder noted for intelligence purposes. In the East Midlands region there was a 15% increase in support provided by Trading Standards to doorstep crime victims during the period April 2017 to December 2017 compared to the same period in 2016. 53 victims were supported in the region during October 2017 to December 2017, and the interventions prevented the payment of £116,000 to the criminals involved.

### 3. "Nominated Neighbour"

- In April officers worked with Rushcliffe Borough Council and Nottinghamshire Police colleagues to implement a "Nominated Neighbour" scheme at a retirement complex in West Bridgford. Residents display a card in their window which directs unwanted callers to the retirement complex scheme manager (warden) to intervene. The scheme will be rolled out to other retirement complexes in the county and two training sessions have been delivered to Metropolitan Housing scheme managers to raise their awareness of scams and tactics used by doorstep callers and to enable them to deliver assertiveness training to residents.
- 4. Handy Persons Adaptation Scheme (HPAS) provides the help and support people need to keep safe and secure in their home with low cost but high quality adaptations and small practical jobs. Trading Standards have been working with Customer Service Centre and Procurement colleagues to implement a new HPAS scheme for the county in April 2018. The 14 successful providers from the tendering process are also members of the Trading Standards "Checkatrade" approved trading scheme, which provides an ongoing vetting of their suitability to deliver the HPAS services into the homes of older residents.

- 5. On occasions HPAS traders will be requested to fit equipment provided by Trading Standards, in the homes of older residents who have been identified as being vulnerable to doorstep crime. The equipment includes items such as PVCU door-chains, 2 way intercoms with door viewers and loan CCTV cameras.
- 6. A video doorbell was recently fitted in the home of a resident who lives alone and suffers from dementia. Unwanted callers had affected her confidence so much that she was having to stay with her daughter. With the video doorbell she has been able to return home confident that now when someone calls a video link is conveyed to her daughter's mobile phone and her daughter is able to intervene.
- 7. **Mass Marketing Scams** officers continue to work with other agencies to intervene to protect Nottinghamshire victims of mass marketing scams identified both from lists provided by the National Scams Team or via referrals from social care, health and voluntary sector colleagues. Some examples of our cases:
  - Officers are working with the Coal Industry Social Welfare Organisation (CISWO), Metropolitan Housing and social workers to help protect the finances of a vulnerable ex-miner.
  - Officers worked with Nott's Fire and Rescue to assist an identified scam victim who was a smoker living in a cluttered house. The joint intervention has significantly reduced her susceptibility to both fire and scams.
  - Officers have supported a number of residents to apply for free call-blockers which
    were provided for a limited period by the National Scams Team. Also an increasing
    number of telephone providers are now providing call blocking services. Following a
    doorstep crime incident officers advised one resident to register for Talk Talk's free call
    blocking service resulting in her increased confidence and resilience to scams.
- 8. A key vehicle for this multi-agency work is the national Friends Against Scams initiative (<a href="www.friendsagainstscams.org.uk">www.friendsagainstscams.org.uk</a>). This now includes a short Practitioner E-learning packages to help all professionals working with older adults deal with issues relating to scams and doorstep crime. Managers are working with ACSH colleagues to include this training package in the E-learning available to all adult social care staff.
- 9. **Illicit Tobacco** Officers continue to take effective enforcement action against individuals and businesses that sell and distribute illicit tobacco. During 2017/18 officers conducted a total of 124 inspections at premises in the county, resulting in 45 seizures of illicit tobacco and 44 arrests. More than 124,000 illicit cigarettes and 6,000kg of tobacco were seized during the year with an estimated total retail value in excess of £2.4m. A number of investigations are ongoing.
- 10. European Commission Proposal on Reinforcing Trust in the Single Market The European Commission (EC) has tabled two legislative proposals to make it easier for companies, especially small to medium enterprises, to sell their products across Europe, and to strengthen controls by national authorities and customs officers to prevent unsafe products being sold to European consumers.
- 11. The first proposal is aimed at making the enforcement of EU safety requirements on goods more uniform throughout member states by strengthening compliance and enforcement of EU product rules. In order to attain this, market surveillance must be consistent no matter whether the product is made outside or inside the EU, or whether it is bought online or offline. The Commission is therefore proposing to set up "The Enforcement of Common EU Safety Rules".
- 12. With products often being sold in a different country to which they are produced and enforcement of issues therefore spreading over of orders any inconsistencies in approach can

easily be exploited by rogue traders. The aim of the proposed legislation is that it will force the way towards smarter enforcement, complementing and strengthening, where necessary, existing and future Union harmonised legislation. The aim is to attain this through:

- Enforcement authorities working more closely together through single liaison offices.
- Convergence of different IT tools ensuring common knowledge gathering among enforcement authorities.
- The creation of a Union Product Compliance Network. This will provide administrative support for joint investigations. It will allow authorities to pool knowledge, organise exchanges of officials, develop a common intelligence picture and devise efficient methods for more targeted and risk based controls. It will also provide standard training for inspectors.
- 13. There will also be requirements for closer co-operation between businesses and enforcement authorities which will put requirements on businesses. Part of those requirements will include the following:
  - Manufacturers who sell within the EU will be required to have a representative who can easily be contacted.
  - Businesses will have to form Compliance Partnership Agreements with their local authorities
- 14. There will be changes to enforcement at border controls. These will include:
  - More clarity for controls on products entering the EU, and for co-ordination of and cooperation between customs and market surveillance authorities.
  - Simplification of paperwork for importers with lighter controls on trusted businesses.
  - Where there is doubt about a product's legality, enforcement authorities will be able to suspend release for free circulation of a product in the EU, until appropriate evidence is received to show it is fit to be sold in the EU
- 15. The second proposal relates to the difficulty of differing member states domestic legislation causing issues with mutual recognition. Mutual recognition is where a product that is lawfully marketed in one member state should also be able to be marketed in any other member state as long as it is safe and respects the public interest. Currently businesses cannot often rely on this mutual recognition to access markets across the EU. The mutual recognition proposal introduces a problem solving procedure to provide effective remedies and establish trust in mutual recognition. This will entail the Commission intervening in a matter by issuing an opinion and where appropriate, making recommendations to assist the parties in solving the case. This process is being designed so that it is a quick response instead of the protracted lines of resolution which can take years.
- 16. It is unknown at this stage the exact impact this will have on the Trading Standards Service or businesses but we are raising the matter now to make members aware that this could have an impact in the future, when the legislation is proposed to come into force towards the end of 2019. There is the added complication of Brexit but the current Government has indicated that they will continue to adopt EU legislation for the purposes of product safety.
- 17. **Commercialisation update:** This service was recently asked to attend a conference run by the Baby Products Association, with whom we have a Primary Authority Partnership. They were heavily promoting the Partnership with Trading Standards and we are hoping to get further contracts with some of the businesses that were present.
- 18. We are beginning the new financial year with a good start towards our increased income target. A recent Primary Authority signing has requested an increase in hours of up to four

times the amount they received in 2017-18. We have some companies currently registering to the Primary Authority Partnership scheme, they should be on board by the time this committee meets.

- 19. **Regional Investigations Team** following the court hearing in February regarding a large scale fraud investigation into the targeting of small businesses with upfront fee frauds for energy over payments, the case is now listed for Trial in the Nottingham Crown Court commencing the 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019. There are 11 defendants in total and the trial estimate is 10 weeks.
- 20. **Legal Update Kubus, Mansfield** In November 2017, four men, Fakher Fathulah, Marwan Shaban, Nabaz Ahmadi and Amin Amin appeared at Crown Court charged with conspiracy to supply dangerous and counterfeit cigarettes. Three pleaded guilty before trial, whist the case against the 4<sup>th</sup> defendant was withdrawn.
- 21. Fatullah was sentenced to 11 months in prison, Shaban received 6 months in prison, and Ahmadi was sentenced to 150 hours unpaid work. A proceeds of crime investigation is ongoing.
- 22. Following further enforcement work at this shop, a Fakhar Mohammed pleaded guilty in the magistrates court on the 23<sup>rd</sup> January to charges of possession of dangerous and counterfeit cigarettes for which he was given a 15 day rehabilitation order. On the 25 January 2018 Yarech Kader also pleaded guilty to similar offences, his case being more serious as he was the leaseholder of the shop. He was given a 12 week prison sentence suspended for 12 months. A further 4 defendants pleaded not guilty to the charges and were due for trial in March 2018. Three defendants were found guilty of the charges at trial and charges against the fourth were withdrawn. Mohammed Rassul was given 80 hours unpaid work. Mr Ibrahim was given a fine of £225 and Mr Abdulkhaliqizada was given a fine of £195.
- 23. **Door step crime** In May 2017, a defendant appeared in the Mansfield Magistrates court charged with offences of fraud to the value of £26,400. There is one victim in this case, who the Authority alleges has been defrauded by representations that she needed certain work carrying out on her property. The defendant pleaded not guilty, and his case was listed for trial on the 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2018, due to some technical issues with the courts the matter has been put back until the 25<sup>th</sup> June 2018.
- 24. **Justin Marriott** Marriott appeared in the Crown Court on the 18th January, charged with the possession of counterfeit electrical items and clothing. He pleaded guilty to the charges and was sentenced to 7 months in prison suspended for 2 years with 150 hours unpaid work. A proceeds of crime investigation is continuing and a hearing is listed for the 4th May 2018.
- 25. **Alans Newsagents** A trial was listed in the Crown Court on the 5<sup>th</sup> March for 3 defendants who have been charged with offences for supplying counterfeit and dangerous cigarettes from the shop in Beeston. Due to lack of court time the trial has been put back until August 2018.

### **Other Options Considered**

- 26. EC Proposal on Reinforcing Trust In The Single Market: There are no other options to consider.
- 27. Commercialisation update: There are no other options to consider.

28. **Recommendations/Reasons** – That members consider whether there are any actions they require in relation to the issues contained within the report.

### **Statutory and Policy Implications**

29. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, data protection and information governance finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (public health services), the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and adults at risk, service users, smarter working, sustainability and the environment and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

### **Crime and Disorder Implications**

30. The Service makes significant contributions to reducing crime and disorder as outlined in the information provided in the body.

### **Financial Implications**

31. This report contains no additional financial implications, with activity reported or that proposed being contained within existing service budget.

### **RECOMMENDATION/S**

1) It is recommended that the Place and Communities Committee notes the updates from the previous meeting and the various developments in the areas of work contained in the report.

### Derek Higton Service Director, Place and Communities

**For any enquiries about this report please contact:** Mark Walker, Group Manager Trading Standards & Community Safety x 72173

### Constitutional Comments [SLB 18/04/2018]

32. Communities and Place Committee is the appropriate body to consider the content to the report. If Committee resolves that any actions are required it must be satisfied that such actions are within the Committee's terms of reference.

### Financial Comments [SES 19/04/2018]

33. There are no specific financial implications arising directly from this report.

### **Background Papers and Published Documents**

None

### Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All



### Report to Communities and Place Committee

17 May 2018

Agenda Item: 11

### REPORT OF SERVICE DIRECTOR, PLACE & COMMUNITIES

### CATERING, FACILITIES AND COUNTY SUPPLIES - MANAGEMENT RESTRUCTURE

### **Purpose of the Report**

- 1. To inform members of the outcome of the formal staff consultation;
- 2. To confirm the final proposed management structure for the Group;
- 3. To gain approval to commence the enabling process and implement the new structure.

### Information

- 4. On 7 December 2017, Place and Communities Committee gave approval for formal consultation to begin with staff and recognised trade unions. This consultation sought to develop and finalise a new management structure for the Catering, Facilities and County Supplies Group.
- 5. Since gaining Committee approval in December a robust and meaningful consultation has taken place with staff which has resulted in minor adjustments to the structure where appropriate.
- 6. As highlighted in the initial report the core drivers for change centre on the need for financial savings, but also the need for a more customer focused workforce.
- 7. The new structure will allow the Group to make significant financial savings without disrupting the quality of the service provided to customers. Changes to reporting lines will enable greater consistency and visibility on staff training as well as legislative/ health and safety compliance. New job descriptions will also facilitate the delivery of a more customer focussed service.
- 8. The proposed changes are as follows:

Deletions (FTE)		Establishments (FTE)		
Team Manager NPO	-1	Team Leader Facilities and Hospitality	+1	
Team Manager CFM (WB)	-1	Senior Account Manager	+3.4	
District Manager	-4.4	Account Manager	+19.5	
Senior Area Manager	-3	Development Chef	+1	
Area Manager	-22	Food Development Officer	+1	
Total	-31.4	Total	+25.9	

- 9. The net change therefore is the reduction of 5.5 FTE.
- 10. Making some assumptions about evaluated grades, the annual saving is estimated to be £228,112.80 per annum. Note that this dependent on outcomes from Job Evaluation.
- 11. Subject to approval the enabling process is anticipated to be completed by 22<sup>nd</sup> June. This will enable the new structure to go live and be operational ahead of the 2018/19 academic year.

### **Other Options Considered**

12. Combining the Catering and Facilities Teams was considered after being raised during the consultation. Ultimately, however, it was felt that this change would cause the loss of significant expertise held by staff in the Group.

#### Reason/s for Recommendation/s

- 13. The Group needs to make significant financial savings in order to improve its trading position;
- 14. Combining functions into the Support Services Team will provide greater consistency, enabling more effective working and greater assurance on training/ skills/ health and safety;

### **Statutory and Policy Implications**

15. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, data protection and information governance finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (public health services), the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and adults at risk, service users, smarter working, sustainability and the environment and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

### **Financial Implications**

16. It is estimated that this restructure will reduce annual staffing costs in for Catering and Facilities Management by £229,113.80 per annum.

### **Human Resources Implications**

17.HR colleagues have supported the restructure and consultation process and will do so going forwards. HR support will be vital in ensuring the Council's enabling processes are adhered to and in supporting staff in their new roles.

#### **RECOMMENDATION/S**

- 1) The Committee notes the final proposal created in collaboration with staff as part of the formal consultation.
- 2) The Committee approves the new structure for implementation, allowing managers to commence the enabling process in collaboration with HR.

Derek Higton Service Director, Place & Communities For any enquiries about this report please contact: John Hughes, Group Manager – Catering, Facilities and County Supplies, Tel: 0115 9773402

### Constitutional Comments [KK 03/05/2018]

18. The proposals in this report are within the remit of the Communities and Place Committee.

### Financial Comments [SES 01/05/2018]

19. The financial implications are set out in the report.

### HR Comments [JP 03/05/2018]

20. Full consultation has taken place with staff and the recognised trade unions in respect of the restructure proposals. The County Council's agreed enabling process will be applied in making appointments to the posts in the revised structure. Where applicable staff will be supported through the redeployment process

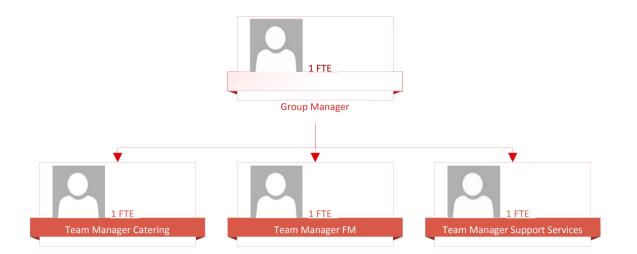
### **Background Papers and Published Documents**

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

- Appendix 1 Current Structures
- Appendix 2 Proposed Structures
- Agenda Item 7 Communities and Place Committee 7 December 2017

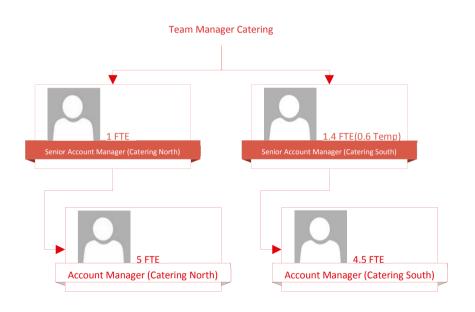
### Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All



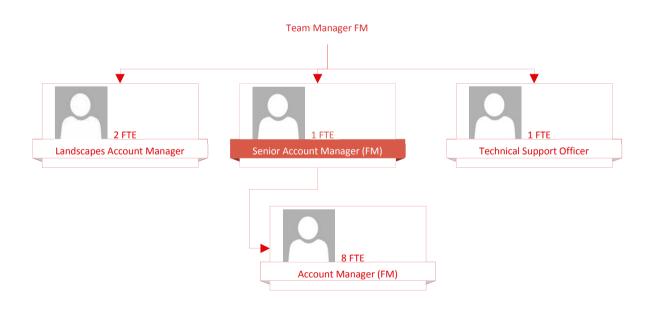


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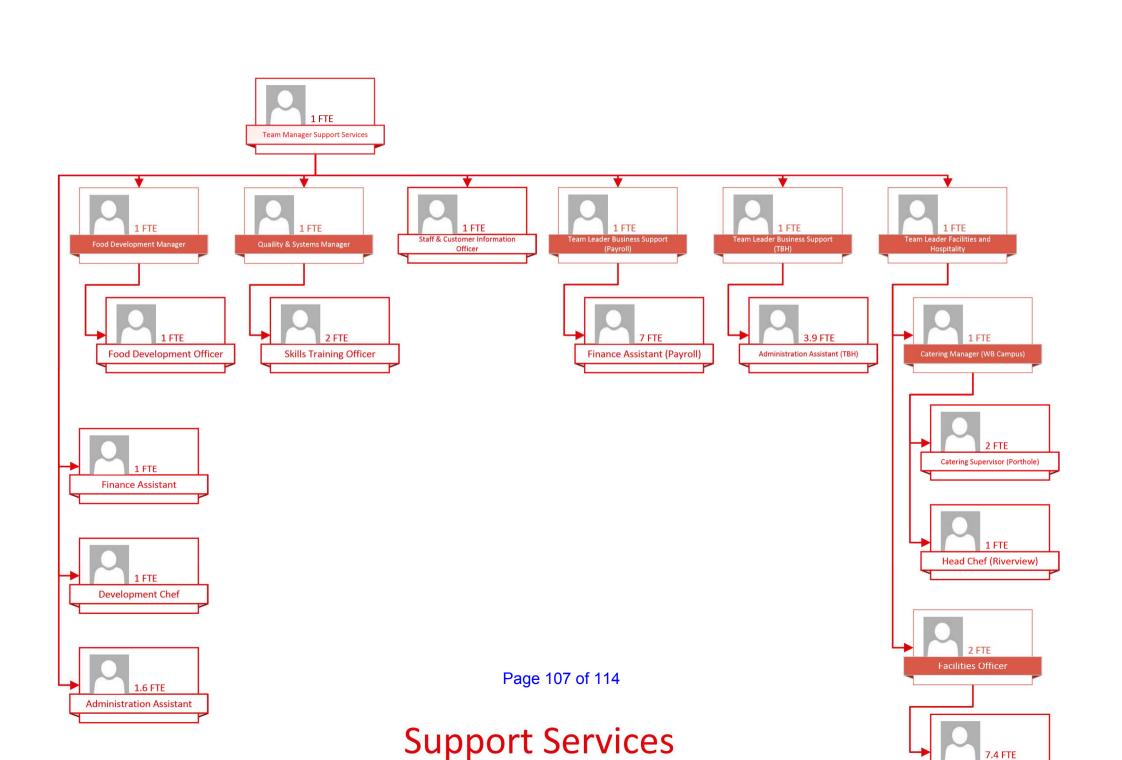


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### Report to Communities and Place Committee

17 May 2018

Agenda Item: 12

# REPORT OF CORPORATE DIRECTOR, RESOURCES WORK PROGRAMME

### **Purpose of the Report**

1. To consider the Committee's work programme for 2018-19

#### Information

- 2. The County Council requires each committee to maintain a work programme. The work programme will assist the management of the committee's agenda, the scheduling of the committee's business and forward planning. The work programme will be updated and reviewed at each pre-agenda meeting and committee meeting. Any member of the committee is able to suggest items for possible inclusion.
- 3. The attached work programme has been drafted in consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, and includes items which can be anticipated at the present time. Other items will be added to the programme as they are identified.
- 4. As part of the transparency introduced by the new committee arrangements, each committee is expected to review day to day operational decisions made by officers using their delegated powers. The Committee may wish to commission periodic reports on such decisions where relevant.

### **Other Options Considered**

5. None.

#### Reason/s for Recommendation/s

6. To assist the committee in preparing its work programme.

### **Statutory and Policy Implications**

7. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, public sector equality duty, human resources, crime and disorder, human rights, the safeguarding of children, sustainability and the environment and those using the service and where such

implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

#### **RECOMMENDATION/S**

1) That the Committee's work programme be agreed, and consideration be given to any changes which the Committee wishes to make.

Jayne Francis-Ward Corporate Director, Resources

For any enquiries about this report please contact: Martin Gately, Democratic Services Officer on 0115 977 2826

### **Constitutional Comments (HD)**

8. The Committee has authority to consider the matters set out in this report by virtue of its terms of reference.

### **Financial Comments (PS)**

9. There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

### **Background Papers**

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

 New Governance Arrangements report to County Council – 29 March 2012 and minutes of that meeting (published)

### **Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected**

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## COMMUNITIES AND PLACE COMMITTEE DRAFT WORK PROGRAMME – MAY-SEPTEMBER 2018

Report Title	Brief summary of agenda item	Lead Officer	Report Author
17 MAY 2018			
Annual Review – Holme Pierrepont Country Park	Progress report on a range of cultural services initiatives	Derek Higton	Mark Croston
Trading Standards Update Report	Update on key Trading Standards matters, and to give Members an opportunity to consider what actions they require to be taken.	Derek Higton	Mark Walker
Local Improvement Scheme Recommendations	To consider applications received in respect of the Local Improvement Scheme 2018 – 21 for capital and revenue funding support in accordance with the strategic priorities of the Council	Derek Higton	Sally Gill/Cathy Harvey
Local Transport – Implementation Plan	To update the current implementation plan that expired as at 31/3/18	Gary Wood	Kevin Sharman
TRO – West Bridgford	To consider objections received in respect of the above Traffic Regulation Order and whether it should be made as advertised with the amendments detailed in the recommendation and shown on drawings H/SLW/2621/01 Rev A, H/SLW/2624/01 and H/SLW/2624/01 Rev A.	Adrian Smith	Mike Barnett/Helen North
Catering & FM Restructure	To articulate the preferred strategic direction of travel for the CFCS Group of services into an Alternate Service Delivery Model (ASDM); To seek permission to progress the development of an ASDM; To seek Committee approval for the outlined group restructure activities	Adrian Smith	Derek Higton/John Gughes
TRO Newark	To consider objections received in respect of the above Traffic Regulation Orders and whether the Orders should be made as advertised.	Adrian Smith	Mike Barnett/Helen North
TS Structure	To propose changes to the Trading Standards staffing structure.  Page 111 of 114	Derek Higton	Mark Walker/Sarah Houlton
14 JUNE 2018			

Performance Report	Performance update for the Place Department	Adrian Smith	David Gilbert
Transport Focus Survey Results 2017	Survey Result	Gary Wood	Gary Wood
Cultural Services - service update	Progress report on a range of cultural services initiatives	Derek Higton	Derek Higton
Annual review of the County Council Cultural Strategy	Agree Strategy	Derek Higton	Mark Croston
Community Safety Update Report	Update on key Community Safety matters, and to give Members an opportunity to consider what actions they require to be taken.	Mark walker	
Report on commercial performance of the trading standards and community safety service	Regular report required by Commercial Development Unit process	Derek Higton	Mark Walker
Annual Review – Inspire	Annual Update	Derek Higton	Mark Croston/Mick Allen
10 x Section 19 Reports	The purpose of these reports is to set out the County Council's duties as LLFA to report flooding incidents under Section 19 of the Flood and Water Management Act 2010	Gary Wood	Sue Jaques
Right of Way Management Plans for Nottinghamshire		Gary Wood	Neil Lewis
Inspire 2 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Report (including short presentation)	Annual Report	Derek Higton	Peter Gaw
Changes to Library Opening Hours – Dukeries		Derek Higton	Peter Gaw
Libraries, Archives & Information and Arts Strategy Update	Update on Strategy	Derek Higton	Peter Gaw
Highways & Transport Group Structure	Structure report	Derek Higton	Gary Wood
19 JULY 2018			
Cultural Services - service update	Progress report on a range of cultuages progress in initiatives	Derek Higton	Derek Higton
Trading Standards Update	Update on key Trading Standards matters, and to give Members	Derek Higton	Mark Walker

Report	an opportunity to consider what actions they require to be taken.		
Review of Highway Maintenance – New Code of Practice	Consider Updates to Highway Policy based on the new Code of Practice	Derek Higton	Gary Wood
Sutton on Trent Recycling Centre	Feasibility of reopening the former Sutton in Ashfield Recycling Centre	Derek Higton	Mick Allen
Rights of Way Management Plan for Nottinghamshire, Author Neil Lewis.		Derek Higton	Neil Lewis
September 2018			
Total Transport Fund pilot projects	Inform Members of the outcome of the DfT funded Total Transport Fund (TTF) projects and seek approval to proceed with the development of future Total Transport Fund solutions	Gary Wood	Pete Mathieson

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