

**REPORT OF THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL****COVID-19: UPDATE REPORT****Purpose of the Report**

1. To update Members on the impact of the Coronavirus crisis on the work of Nottinghamshire County Council, and the Council's response and recovery planning.

**Information**

2. This report is an update on Nottinghamshire County Council's (NCC) response to the coronavirus emergency. Five programmes of work are managing the response to the emergency both corporately and with partners county-wide. These are: -
  - Support for Vulnerable Adults
  - Support for Vulnerable Children and Families including Schools
  - Community Support and Resilience
  - Support for Business and the Local Economy
  - Corporate Resilience
3. This report provides an update on activity within these programmes, excluding 'Support for Business and the Local Economy' which is covered under a [report to the Economic Development and Asset Management Committee](#) in June 2021.
4. The information contained in this report is correct at the time of writing but may have changed subsequently, due to the changing nature of the emergency and government guidance. Where this is the case, updated information will be shared with Members at the Committee meeting.

**Support for Vulnerable Adults****Continued response to COVID-19 and plans for recovery**

5. At the Adult Social Care and Public Health Committee in June 2021, the service arrangements required to sustain the delivery of the Local Outbreak Plan for Nottinghamshire County Council for the next two years were approved. The Plan is led by Public Health but supports all Council services and the wider system with outbreak management and the ongoing COVID-19 response. The Local Outbreak Management Plan was first published in June 2020, following notification that upper tier local authorities would take on responsibility for the management of local outbreaks. The Plan was refreshed in March 2021 in response to publication of the national roadmap for easing of lockdown restrictions and the updated national Contain Framework. The refreshed Plan was approved by the COVID-19 Resilience, Recovery and Renewal Committee in March 2021; it outlines how the local authority will discharge key elements of the local outbreak response in accordance with the national Contain Framework.

6. The Adult Social Care and Health department is continuing to respond to the pandemic although much of the emergency planning and crisis work has now been stood down and the department is starting to implement recovery plans. The approach to recovery has included scenario planning for the next 12 months given the continued uncertainty associated with COVID-19, taking into account the impact and associated risk for the people that the Council supports and the population as a whole; the workforce, departmental performance, finances, and partnerships. The department's delivery plan for recovery will support actions to reset, recover and transform service delivery, as well as implement plans to support the well-being of the workforce.
7. In November 2020 the COVID-19 Taskforce was set up to support the social care market, in particular those services that experienced significant outbreaks which then impacted on service delivery and workforce. This multi-agency group of partners met daily to ensure that there was an overall understanding of where the risks and issues were in the social care market. At the height of the outbreaks in December/January 2021 there were over 100 services that were being supported by the Taskforce; more recently the number had reduced to zero and at the time of writing there are four care homes experiencing a COVID-19 outbreak. The Taskforce has responded to this and the meetings have stepped down to fortnightly. This group can at any point step back up again to support the market and the meetings now focus on supporting services to recover and also support any changes to guidance which impact on service provision and delivery.
8. The department is currently reviewing a support service for care homes that was established in November 2020. This support service consists of a group of care staff, employed by the Council, who have volunteered to support external care homes during an emergency situation, whether it be COVID or quality related issues. This support was set up to respond to extreme circumstances when a care home's workforce was impacted to the level where urgent staff would be needed to keep a service safe. Whilst the situation with the outbreaks in Nottinghamshire has improved, the department continues to provide ongoing support in relation to monitoring risks in respect of the workforce, quality and financial viability.

#### Vaccine uptake and vulnerable adults

9. In relation to vaccination of the social care workforce, those eligible include people working for local authorities, commissioned by local authorities and other providers where staff provide close personal care to those people most at risk in relation to COVID-19. In Nottinghamshire this is close to 10,500 people. The vaccinations for staff started in January 2021 and the vaccination rates compare favourably with rates across the country. As at 30 June, 92% of the internal workforce had received their first dose vaccination and 88% are known to have received a second dose vaccination. Take up of first dose vaccinations for the independent sector care provider workforce (including Supported Living, Housing with Care and Home Based Care) is currently at 76.8%; however the first and second dose vaccination data for this workforce has now transferred to the Department of Health and Social Care Capacity Tracker and work is underway to reconcile this data with what is held locally. More robust data on the independent sector social care workforce will be available for the next update. The Council will need to consider the implications of the newly announced requirement for people who work in care homes to be vaccinated.
10. There continues to be lower take-up of the COVID-19 vaccination offer among certain ethnic groups and in more deprived communities of the county. A system-wide response remains key to addressing these inequalities across Nottinghamshire, working together across the

Integrated Care Systems (ICS) and Integrated Care Partnerships (ICP), with District, Boroughs, Community Voluntary Service (CVS) and other partners. A number of inequalities task groups have been established to drive this work forwards. This includes a vaccination bus deployed to target areas of lowest uptake in recent weeks and bespoke communications have been developed across agencies to encourage take-up. There has also been targeted work to increase uptake among carers, those clinically extremely vulnerable (CEV) and pregnant women. A roving team continues to vaccinate care home residents and staff, although this is now part of a “mop up” programme as all care homes across the County have been offered second doses. The team also continue to visit those who are housebound.

11. To complement messages from health and local government there have been a number of initiatives such as pop-up clinics in community settings and primary care and targeted social media resources. A Super Weekend in June over 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> June offered people walk-in vaccinations at the Forest Recreation and Mansfield sites. These clinics were accompanied by targeted social media and door knocking by local vaccination champions within specific areas of low uptake. Across the weekend 2,430 people attended who had not otherwise booked a vaccination appointment – 528 of these visited the Mansfield site.
12. This was followed by a national ‘Big-Vax-the-Nation’ weekend 25<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> June offering walk in vaccinations at sites across England. Over this weekend nearly 6,000 people took up the offer across Nottinghamshire for a first or second dose. Walk-in appointments will continue to be available in Nottingham and Nottinghamshire subject to availability and work continues in Bassetlaw to maximise uptake.
13. Work is now underway to coproduce and tailor messages for young people as the COVID-19 vaccination offer is extended to younger age groups.

## **Support for Vulnerable Children and Families including Schools**

### **Early Years, School and College Settings**

14. As of 8 March 2021, all pupils were able to return to school and therefore most pupils are now attending onsite. The Fair Access team has engaged with schools and families to provide support and ensure pupils are accessing education when they have not returned to school sites. During the summer term Nottinghamshire’s school attendance has remained in-line with the national average of approximately 91-93%. On the 24<sup>th</sup> June 2021 5% of pupils were not attending school due to COVID-19, as they had tested positive or were isolating due to being a contact inside or outside of school, with these pupils receiving home learning provision, this was the same nationally.
15. Headteachers, and all staff, supported by their governing bodies have continued to ensure that all children have continued their learning despite the ongoing challenge of bubble closures and the need for children to learn at home as a result of self-isolating. Access to national online resources, such as through the Oak Academy, has supplemented the online learning delivered by Nottinghamshire schools. The Government has produced guidance to support schools with end of term planning including transition days and sports days. Schools have been reminded, however, that all these events must be rigorously risk assessed given the increasing numbers of children and young people testing positive for COVID-19 at this time.
16. The NottAlone web site will launch in September 2021, providing local mental health information and advice for children, young people and professionals. This web site has been developed by a team involving local young people, parents, carers, school staff and multi-

agency professionals including Nottinghamshire Education Learning and Skills staff. Schools are urged to apply for the Department for Education (DfE) Senior Mental Health Lead Grant and Training from September 2021. The NottAlone team is applying to offer this DfE approved training for senior mental health leads thus ensuring that the materials are tailored and contextualised to local need.

17. The Department for Education has provided funding to NCC to coordinate delivery of the [Holiday Activity and Food \(HAF\) programme](#) for Easter, Summer and Christmas school holidays 2021, targeting Children and Young People aged 5 to 16 who are eligible for free School Meals. NCC will be funding a hybrid delivery model to ensure maximum coverage within the community, including funding for schools who can provide HAF sessions by adapting existing or planned Summer clubs. This means that schools running summer holidays school programmes and catch-up sessions, can access additional funding via the HAF programme.
18. The COVID Local Support Grant has been extended by the Department for Work and Pensions to cover the summer holidays. NCC has decided to use this funding to provide supermarket vouchers for children and young people eligible for free school meals or relevant funded childcare throughout the summer school holiday period. Currently there are over 23000 claimants of free school meals in Nottinghamshire.
19. As previously reported, the percentage of eligible 2-year olds taking up their funded childcare entitlements reduced during the pandemic. In the autumn term 69% of 2-year olds accessed provision compared to 80.42% in autumn 2019. Take up rates for spring term 2021 remained static at 68% following the full reopening of school led early years provision. Take up rates remain low in areas of greatest disadvantage with families still reluctant to send their children to an early years setting.

### Vulnerable Children, Young People and Families

20. The Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) continues to operate an “urgents only by phone” service, due to a need to ensure there is sufficient staffing capacity to manage the numbers of enquiries received. All non-urgent safeguarding concerns can continue to be referred to the MASH via the online referral form or through email. During the latest lockdown between January and March the service saw a similar reduction in referrals to the MASH as that seen in the first lockdown in March 2020. Since the end of the latest lockdown, the MASH has seen an increase in referrals exceeding the level seen at the end of the first lockdown, putting more pressure on the service. This will continue to be monitored to understand the impact of this on the MASH and other service areas.
21. During the third national lockdown, weekly “strengths-based wellbeing” calls to all families receiving early help or social work support were reinstated. Evidence from children and families suggested many benefited from these weekly contacts. As restrictions have lifted, children have returned to school, and families have been able to re-connect with family and community networks it is recognised that not all families now require weekly ‘wellbeing’ calls. From 15<sup>th</sup> May 2021 it was agreed that practitioners and managers will use their professional judgment in agreeing which children and families continue to benefit from and need weekly wellbeing calls.
22. In line with government guidance, all families open to children’s social care continue to receive face to face contact following risk assessment, with appropriate social distancing measures and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) if necessary. The demands on the children’s front

line workforce throughout the pandemic have been high and this will continue to be an ongoing challenge given that, as indicated in paragraph 20, referral rates are currently increasing as hidden harm in children is being exposed.

- 23. From 8 March 2021 all pupils should be attending their school or alternative education provision. The DfE has requested that social workers and schools work together to avoid the suspension or permanent exclusion of vulnerable children. The DfE has reiterated to schools that they should, as far as possible, avoid expelling any pupil with an education, health and care plan or a looked-after child.
- 24. In terms of staffing, there are fewer members of staff either self-isolating or absent from work due to COVID-19 than earlier in the year. Staff absence due to COVID-19 is not currently causing a disruption to service delivery.

**Community Support and Resilience**

Community Support Hub

- 25. As reported to Policy Committee on 13 May 2020, the Nottinghamshire Coronavirus Community Support Hub went live on 23 March 2020, and is accessible over the phone, via the Council website or the My Notts app. The Hub provides a real-time online database, accessible to all partners, which enables residents in need of support to input their postcode and requirements and be 'served up' with a list of local groups and organisations able to meet those needs.
- 26. The number of hits to the Hub website reduced gradually from a peak of around 1,000 a day down to 40 a day at the time of writing. This figure has risen and fallen in response to key moments in the pandemic, for example the introduction of further lockdowns or changes to tiered restrictions. This self-service part of the Hub has been able to deal with the vast majority of demand for help.
- 27. As at 28 June 2021, 1,450 more complex requests for support, requiring a partnership response, had been received since launching the second phase of the Hub. There are currently 278 voluntary groups, 163 individual volunteers, 87 charity organisations, 20 online community groups and 235 businesses offering support.

Specific cohorts being supported

- 28. Committee Members will recall that the Government had placed responsibilities on the local authority to give practical support to those identified as clinically extremely vulnerable (CEV), to help them follow government shielding advice. The advice to shield ended on 31 March 2021, and with it the statutory responsibility to offer support. By the end of March, 54,300 residents were classified as CEV, and had received offers of support from the Hub.
- 29. On the 1 April, a new duty was placed on the system by Government to offer practical support to those who are required to self-isolate (positive cases and their contacts). This has been accompanied by further government funding. This support offer was designed to overcome the barriers to self-isolation that were being reported, including the practical, social, and emotional consequences of self-isolation, such as:
  - access to food and other essential supplies
  - not being able to carry out caring responsibilities

- practical tasks such as dog walking
  - impact on mental health and wellbeing, including loneliness and boredom.
30. From the 1 April, NHS Test and Trace, as it had previously done, signposted people required to self-isolate to sources of help and further information. This included directing them to contact their local council if they required specific support and had no other means to access it. Where initial contact from NHS Test and Trace then suggested a person may have specific support needs that cannot be met in other ways, from 1 April, these cases are now referred through to councils through daily data feeds. The Hub is now required to make proactive contact to people flagged by NHS Test and Trace as having specific support needs, to offer help in accessing support.
31. During April, 25 cases were referred, which dropped to 12 for May. As of 28 June, 163 cases have already been referred, a significant rise in numbers. On making contact, few have transpired to have unmet needs, so demand is currently manageable within existing resources.
32. Further, an additional responsibility has been placed on the system to make contact with all CEV people asked to self-isolate, whether or not they have unmet support needs. It has only been possible to cross reference data sets to since 1 June, but in that period, 52 have been contacted.

### Needs Assessment

33. As previously reported, the Council has initiated a review, with Local Resilience Forum (LRF) partner organisations, of the various groups of people requiring support, and the types of support required. Work is progressing to develop action plans. A [progress report](#) was reviewed by Communities Committee on the 10<sup>th</sup> June,. This set out some of the initial findings of groups in need, and proposed the establishment of the £1m COVID Partnership Social Recovery fund in order to help support the work to address needs created or exacerbated due to the pandemic.

### Compact with the Voluntary and Community Sector

34. The partnership work undertaken throughout the pandemic has highlighted the importance and power of Public Sector and Voluntary and Community Sector organisations working closely together. To cement the relationships and new ways of working that have been formed through the work of the Hub, a [Compact](#) between Public Bodies and Voluntary and Community groups in the City and County has been developed. A [report on the Compact](#) was taken to Communities Committee on the 10<sup>th</sup> June, the County Council agreed to sign-up to the Compact. Partners across both sectors will now be being asked to take the Compact to their individual organisations for sign-up.

### Corporate Resilience

#### Workforce

35. As previously reported, the Workforce Resilience and Recovery Group continues to oversee the Council's work on internal communication and engagement, employee health and wellbeing, reward and recognition and smarter working to ensure that the Council is prepared for whatever the future of work becomes as a result of the pandemic's impact. Regular

discussions continue with the recognised trade unions and the self-managed groups to provide a forum to raise issues and share information relating to the pandemic.

- 36. The results of the recent Workforce Check-in Survey have been published on the Council's intranet and the detail behind the analysis shared with the relevant Corporate Directors. The responses remain broadly positive from the previous survey undertaken in May 2020 but it is clear that there is a level of anxiety among the workforce about the potential return to office accommodation for those colleagues who have been working at home during the pandemic. The survey responses are being used to inform and develop what future working arrangements will be and how employees can be supported during the transition period up until autumn 2021. Further engagement events will take place over the summer months to ensure employees have the opportunity to comment on these developments and feel engaged and invested in planning the future of work longer term.
- 37. A new Hybrid Working Policy is being developed and is covered by a separate report on this agenda. This will be supported by a comprehensive range of guidance, toolkits and frequently asked questions to ensure our employees are supported and prepared for the future changes in how we work.
- 38. The Council continues to facilitate all its employees receiving the vaccine. In line with current national guidance, all members of the workforce are strongly encouraged to take up the offer to be vaccinated when they are contacted to do so. This is the best means of mitigating the ongoing risk presented.

**Council Premises**

- 39. As previously reported, the Property and Premises Recovery Group continues to meet weekly. The Group includes officers from across the Council looking to guide and support the safe use of Council premises during restrictions, both the central office estate and the operational portfolio, and providing safe reoccupation in accordance with Government guidance.
- 40. During lockdowns Council offices have remained open for staff who cannot deliver their services from working from home, or need to be in for welfare reasons, although the main message has remained for the majority of staff to continue to work from home where possible. In the light of the potential further lifting of restrictions targeted at 19 July 2021 the Group has been planning the phased reoccupation of offices thereafter based on priority need in the first instance over the summer with a more general return in the autumn as offices environments are adapted to suit a hybrid working model. The Group is working with services to understand the office environments that suit their future service delivery as it is clear this is not a one size fits all solution and the hybrid model will work differently across services but with standard central principles.

**Disruption to Services**

41. In order to adhere to government guidance on social distancing and release Council resources to support COVID-19 priorities, many public-facing service areas have faced disruption or closure. The current status of these services is outlined in the table below.

<b>Service</b>	<b>Status</b>
Youth Services	The Youth Service has continued to deliver youth work to young people most in need through:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Online Youth Work and a digital 4uth offer</li> <li>• Outreach and Youth Work Intervention within local communities</li> <li>• 1:1 youth work intervention</li> <li>• Youth work from our Young People’s Centres to support groups of young people. Recent Government guidance now allows greater flexibility on group sizes, which in practice means that:</li> </ul> <p><b>Under 18’s</b> - although there isn’t a specified number limit for groups of under 18s, a decision has been made locally along with public health advice to increase group size to a maximum of 30 young people (plus staff, volunteers, and carers). This allows youth workers to take into consideration factors which affect the maximum group size, for example the size of the indoor space being used and how many young people can safely be accommodated whilst still operating in a COVID-safe way.</p> <p><b>Over 18’s</b> – the maximum groups size is 30 (plus staff, volunteers, and carers), this provision is targeted for vulnerable young people in support groups, who can meet indoors or outdoors. These sessions will be for specific groups of young people who have been invited and booked into youth work sessions.</p> <p>The Youth Service will remain responsive to an evolving situation, and operating plans will be refined as the circumstances and guidance change.</p> <p>In addition, the Youth Service is also coordinating the Department for Education funded Holiday Activity and Food programme, and are now planning delivery for the Summer holiday after a successful Easter holiday programme, which saw delivery to over 4,400 Children and Young People, with;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Over 4,100 high quality food packs distributed, with support from Children Centres; along with activity packs and access to online activities and programmes to follow at home;</li> <li>○ The Youth Service delivered tailored face to face sessions from our young people’s centres to over 300 young people identified as vulnerable</li> <li>○ The service distributed 300 food vouchers given to children and young people with specific dietary requirements.</li> </ul>
Library Services	<p>Since 12 April libraries have reopened in line with national regulations, limited opening hours and capacity levels. Click and collect, home delivery and mobile library services are continuing to operate supporting those who are not able to visit library buildings. Access to computers for any purpose and study spaces is being provided by appointment at all sites. The 72-hour quarantining requirement for books returned was removed on the 24 May.</p>
Outdoor Education Services	<p>Outdoor education centres and residential centres are now all open for overnight stays and day visits for schools. Activity Clubs are being offered for the summer Holidays at the Mill Adventure Base, alongside supporting the Holiday Activity and Food programme. Duke of Edinburgh groups have resumed with meeting up face to face, with training expeditions underway.</p>



	Public based activity days are being offered this August at Sherwood Forest Country Park. Planning is also underway for the Shadow Event in October at Sherwood Forest Country Park.
School Swimming	<p>The schools Swimming Service resumed all swimming across the county week commencing 19<sup>th</sup> April 2021. We have seen a 92% take up of schools returning back to undertake school swimming sessions. 10 schools have booked additional or 'top-up' sessions this term to make up for sessions that have been missed during lockdown.</p> <p>The service has resumed the Bridging Club sessions (for children and young people with disabilities), and the Little Swimmers (babies) sessions will resume in the Autumn term due to present changing room restrictions.</p>
Day Services	<p>As COVID measures remain in place, NCC Day Services continue to deliver a hybrid range of activities from buildings outreach and 1:1.</p> <p>The overall capacity of buildings remains reduced because of social distancing requirements. Plans for recovery of the service will increase capacity when guidance permits. Safe systems of work and infection prevention control measures will remain in place proportionate to community transmission and national guidance. This service continues to provide vital respite for carers and opportunities for people to concentrate on their aspirations engage in activity outside the home and remain independent and living well in Nottinghamshire.</p>
Country Parks and green spaces	<p>Country Parks and their facilities are currently open in line with the Government's COVID-19 Roadmap. In light of the announcement of the delay to Step 4 of the relaxation of restrictions on the 14th June, some limitations on hospitality and events will remain in place, as per Step 3 of the COVID-19 Guidance, until at least the 19<sup>th</sup> July. These restrictions will include social contact limits on outdoor (30 people) and indoor (the rule of 6 or 2 households) gatherings, with any exceptions stipulated in the Guidance. To help prevent the spread of coronavirus cases, Nottinghamshire residents are still being asked to abide by COVID-Secure social distancing and hygiene guidance when they visit our green space sites or public attractions, including Country Parks.</p> <p>Country Parks and Green Space arrangements will be reviewed and managed in accordance with the Government's staged approach to the relaxation of restrictions.</p>
Children's Centres	<p>All 17 main Children's Centre sites remain open Monday to Friday and satellite sites open to host targeted face to face appointments and support groups as and when required. Prearranged appointments and group sessions are provided on site with activities also being undertaken outdoors and in family homes where it is safe to do so. Universal services resumed again at the end of June and families will be asked to reserve places so numbers and social distancing can still be maintained.</p> <p>All buildings are COVID secure and external partners continue to provide clinics and targeted services on site including midwifery clinics, health screens and assessments and social care contact work.</p>
Recycling Centres	All 12 of our recycling centres for household waste currently remain open. Residents visiting the West Bridgford site will need to make an appointment in advance

Registration Services	Main Registration Offices and some smaller offices are open to the public for essential functions. In-person registration of birth and notice of marriage appointments are available on a limited basis with COVID-safe procedures. The registrations of still births and deaths continues to be permitted by telephone using easements under the Coronavirus Act 2020. Marriage and civil partnership ceremonies are available, subject to the Government's restrictions and social distancing measures.
Music Teaching	Services continue to operate in agreement with individual schools.
Education Library Service	Services continue to operate in agreement with individual schools. Bookable teacher visits to the showroom recommenced on the 12 April.
Inspire learning study programmes	Young people are now able to access the study programme face to face.
Inspire learning adult education programme	A full range of courses currently being provided online. Face to face and blended courses will be programmed for the 2021 autumn term.
Archives	Online enquiry, research and reprographic services remain available. Visit to archives are by appointment.

### **Other Options Considered**

42. The nature of the Coronavirus emergency is such that the Council has reviewed its priorities and use of resources to address the most critical needs of Nottinghamshire's residents. The Council must also comply with relevant Government guidance and meet its statutory duties as required during the emergency.

### **Reason for Recommendations**

43. To update members on the Council's ongoing response to the Coronavirus emergency.

### **Statutory and Policy Implications**

44. 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**

45. All Local Authorities are required by the Ministry for Housing, Communities and Local Government to report the forecast financial impact of the COVID-19 emergency on a monthly basis. The most recent submission, DELTA 14, was submitted on June 26, 2021.

46. The additional pressures on the 2021/22 budget are offset by general COVID-19 grant allocations received from Central Government, and a range of additional specific grants and allocations to offset lost income.

47. Reports setting out the latest forecast position, including the impact of COVID-19 on income and additional costs, will continue to be presented to Finance Committee on a regular basis.

### **Safeguarding of Children and Adults at Risk Implications**

48. The safeguarding of vulnerable children and adults is at the centre of decision making around operating models and reopening of services in Children's and Adults services and services continue to operate with the same standards of care.

### **Implications for Service Users**

49. While there continues to be some disruptions to services through the Council's response to COVID-19, the aim has been to maintain the welfare and safety of all services users at all times.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 1) That Members endorse the continuing efforts of services to ensure effective service provision during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.
- 2) That Members consider the issues contained within the report.
- 3) That Members agree to receive a further update at the September meeting.

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### **Constitutional Comments (AK 18/06 2021)**

50. This report falls within the remit of Policy Committee by virtue of its terms of reference.

### **Financial Comments (SES 18/06/2021)**

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

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### **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.

- Progress on the COVID-19 crisis Economic Recovery Action Plan, Economic Development and Asset Management Committee, June 2021
- Establishment of the COVID-19 Partnership Social Recovery Fund, Communities Committee, June 2021
- Compact between Public Sector Bodies and the Voluntary and Community Sector in Nottinghamshire, Communities Committee, June 2021

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

- All