





# COVID-19 RESILIENCE, RENEWAL AND RECOVERY COMMITTEE: ECONOMIC RECOVERY UPDATE


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Theme	Timeline	Business Goal	Specific actions	January 2021 Update
	Between now and March 2021	Job creation programme	Support the hardest-hit sectors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Measures aimed at supporting a green recovery:</b> in response to the economic impacts of COVID-19, the Council continues to offer creative improvements to the housing stock, reinforcing Nottinghamshire as a great place to live, work, visit and relax. Recent approvals will help some of Nottinghamshire's more vulnerable fuel-poor households living in poorly insulated homes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The <b>£4.3M Warm Homes Hub</b> two-year partnership with EoN and local authority partners means eligible homeowners and tenants (+ 500 houses) will be able to improve the warmth and comfort of their home and benefit from free services such as grid connection and first-time central heating. While halted initially due to COVID-19, the programme is now being rolled out across the County. To date, there has been eight new gas heating system installations with a further 25 households going through the process. In addition, E.ON are planning delivery to a site of 72 Flats - designs are being drawn up for 72 individual gas central heating systems, alongside a complete district heating network. A further 837 households have been supported against the 1,000 households target. An extra £1M (serving an additional 100+ homes at least) was secured for additional measures.</li> <li>- A bid is currently under consideration by Government for an additional £2.3M to facilitate additional energy efficiency measures to more communities under the <b>Green Homes Grant Local Authority Delivery Phase 1B</b>.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Online Micro Provider event</b> took place on 20 January 2021 for those who are looking to set up a social care business or looking for ways to grow their business.</li> </ul> <p><b>STATUS: ACTIVE</b></p>
			Job creation and training guarantees to tackle youth unemployment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Employment and skills portal</b> to bring together information to help people access support whether they are working, furloughed or looking for a job was launched: <a href="https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/jobs-and-working/employment-and-skills-portal">https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/jobs-and-working/employment-and-skills-portal</a></li> <li>• <b>D2N2 Recruiting Talent workshops</b> are being supported and promoted by the Council, with the aim of educating attendees about the current landscape of employment in the county, advocating the benefits of inclusive recruitment, and offering advice on how to find hidden pools of talent. Current Recruiting Talent Workshops are planned on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 17 February 2021 - Mansfield/Ashfield</li> <li>- 17 March 2021 – Bassetlaw</li> <li>- 21 April 2021 – Rushcliffe</li> </ul> For further information and to book go to the <a href="https://bbo-d2n2.org.uk/resources/recruiting_talent_in_nottinghamshire_events/">Recruiting Talent Eventbrite: https://bbo-d2n2.org.uk/resources/recruiting_talent_in_nottinghamshire_events/</a></li> <li>• Collaboration continues with the <b>Department for Work and Pensions</b> on the creation of 'Youth Hubs' with a trailblazer in Mansfield and other areas to follow.</li> <li>• The three-year <b>D2N2 Skills Access Hub</b> (running until 30 September 2023) is now live and offers businesses free impartial advice from experienced Skills Advisors to help local businesses identify and address the skills gaps in their workforce. So far: two Nottinghamshire SMEs have enrolled, with 14 participants identified to be upskilled and develop new skills</li> </ul> <p><b>STATUS: ACTIVE</b></p>
		Nottinghamshire workforce development	Accelerate take-up of Nottinghamshire County Council's Apprenticeship Levy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Futures:</b> An agreement was reached in September 2020 to transfer Council Levy funds to its Apprenticeship Training Agency in order to support the employment of further apprenticeships through this mechanism (which removes barriers to small to medium-sized enterprises (SME) engagement). The focus will primarily be to support Looked After Children, Care Leavers and other vulnerable groups of young people and adults to progress into an Apprenticeship; Futures are currently working to source apprenticeship opportunities for the first cohort of 8 learners who meet these criteria.</li> </ul>

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			Optimise outcomes from the Council's investment in the Festival of Science and Curiosity (FOSAC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A range of introductions have been made to support partnership development to link the Festival with other activity and extend the reach into Nottinghamshire. Careers events will begin in schools from Jan; 7 primary schools already involved in curiosity projects. Most Festival events will now take place online 8 – 17 February, and schools work will continue for the rest of the academic year. Public events currently in development involving County areas in Ashfield, Mansfield, Broxtowe, Newark and Sherwood, Gedling, Bassetlaw and Rushcliffe. Details are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Wollaton Watch filming: Wollaton Watch will feature footage from nature around Nottinghamshire as well as contributions from young people, schools and wildlife volunteers celebrating and protecting the environment in our county.</li> <li>✓ Already underway - Newstead &amp; Annesley Country Park, Strawberry Hill Heath, Rainworth Heath, Sherwood Forest with young RSPB volunteer, Newstead Abbey, Attenborough Nature Reserve</li> <li>✓ Planned for January - Bestwood Country Park, The Oakham/The Meden Trail, Rushcliffe Country Park,</li> <li>✓ Open Dome event with Sherwood Observatory on Sat 11 Feb, window display in Idlewells centre with Sherwood Observatory,</li> <li>✓ Contact being made with Vision West Notts, Southwell Minster, Blidworth Art Club, Farnsfield Beavers, Oasis Community Centre in Worksop</li> <li>✓ 100 science busking packs available for free collection from Mansfield, Sutton and Kirkby libraries - to take part in Make-A-Long session in FOSAC</li> <li>✓ Microscopy Image trail in Newark and Southwell</li> <li>✓ Sustainability Panel Online to include Martin Rigley and Hockerton Housing Project event</li> <li>✓ Piece by artist Stacey Moon to be exhibited in Mansfield library</li> <li>✓ Museum of Timekeeping, Upton to write piece for article and share videos</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <div>  <b>STATUS: ACTIVE</b> </div>
			Bolster the D2N2 LEP Redeployment Triage Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Futures:</b> The Futures' Employment &amp; Redundancy Support team have, since April, worked with 19 County employers looking to support their employees through the redundancy process, providing support sessions and skills training to all employees affected. Employment support has been provided to 2,332 Nottinghamshire residents since January 2020, of which 1,124 have progressed into a job or a learning outcome.</li> <li><b>Futures:</b> are leading an £8M European Social Fund (ESF) project 'Well for Work' (in which the Council is also a delivery partner), which will see a dedicated team of employment advisers and business engagement managers working alongside Council public health teams to support unemployed residents with health conditions into sustainable employment.</li> <li><b>Futures:</b> have recently secured additional funding from the National Careers Service to provide employability and skills support to those made redundant, seeking work and retraining. Over the course of the next 17 months, this intervention is expected to support a further 956 Nottinghamshire residents into work.</li> </ul> <div>  <b>STATUS: ACTIVE</b> </div>
Between March 2020 and October 2022	Employment and Skills	Stronger links between schools and employers through work shadowing programmes		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Inspire:</b> Sector Based Work Academy Programme and expansion of Study Programme provision. Inspire is building links with local employers and the DWP to provide vocational training and guaranteed job interviews in sectors like Health and Social Care. Inspire is expanding its Study Programme Provision to 16 to 24 year olds in response to the crisis. In particular new courses in Health and Social Care and construction have been developed to give young people the skills to gain employment in expanding local employment sectors.</li> <li><b>Futures:</b> employ Council/Careers and Enterprise Company (CEC)-funded School Enterprise Coordinators who are now working with 49 schools and have sourced 45 Enterprise Advisers (employer representatives) to work with them directly. The 2 relevant "Gatsby" benchmarks these schools are working towards are numbers 5 ('Encounters with employers') and 6 ('Experience of workplaces'); 61% of schools have now achieved the former (with 32% working towards it) and 52% the latter (with 43% working towards it).</li> </ul>

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	Between now and March 2021	Investment programme	Enhanced business support programme tailored to business needs in light of new restrictions announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An overview of the approach to support Nottinghamshire small to medium sized enterprises (SMEs) impacted by coronavirus (COVID-19) and availability of funds was taken to the Policy Committee on 13 January 2020.</li> <li>• The Council's Business Advisers have continued to engage with Nottinghamshire businesses. Since March 2020, over 1,400 Nottinghamshire businesses have been provided with direct one-to-one support, alongside webinar-based advice, being a mix of COVID-19 related support and supporting broader growth inquiries.</li> <li>• The Council continues to influence provision through its partnership with the D2N2 Growth Hub and review the emerging and changing needs in the context of evolving Government financial support and any new announcements.</li> <li>• Whilst Trading Standards has not received many complaints from businesses regarding COVID-scams, the <i>Business Against Scams</i> online training session and web page which was launched by National Trading Standards at the beginning of the pandemic through comms and our partners has been publicised: <a href="https://www.friendsagainstscams.org.uk/BAS">https://www.friendsagainstscams.org.uk/BAS</a></li> <li>• Trading Standards will be building upon links with the D2N2 Growth Hub and Better Business for All (BBfA) to promote take up of Primary Authority partnerships and business advice. This will support existing businesses to diversify and flourish, as well as support new start-up businesses. the service continues support to Primary Authority and other businesses in relation to interpretation and implementation of rapidly changing Coronavirus business restrictions legislation.</li> <li>• The Office for Product Safety and Standards (OPSS) focus on key issues surrounding Government measures to protect the public during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. Their recommended model will be deployed to connect Nottinghamshire businesses into Trading Standards business support.</li> <li>• Extensive public relations campaign underway to ensure the Nottinghamshire food and drink sector business support toolkit reached as large an audience as possible</li> </ul> <div>STATUS: ACTIVE</div>
			Inward Investment Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Via East Midlands are in the process of forming a partnership with Cheesecake Energy Ltd</b> to demonstrate a world first energy storage system at Bilsthorpe Depot. Cheesecake Energy, a spin-out from the University of Nottingham and backed by Shell and Highways England, has developed a state-of-the-art energy storage system that could have a profound impact on the UK's transition to a greener future. The system is expected to be up and running in Spring 2021 and will be used to store solar energy, generated at the depot to charge Via's first few electric vehicles. It will also be used to charge the County Council's electric bus fleet, purchased through the low emission bus scheme and maintained by Via at Bilsthorpe Depot.</li> <li>• A review of the <b>options for supporting new investment</b> from local, UK and foreign based investors is on-going, exploring how best the Council can maximise the opportunities for expansion and inward investment, alongside the relationship between established investment agencies and the new Development Corporation.</li> </ul> <div>STATUS: ACTIVE</div>




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			Align support with opportunities available via commercial developers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The above review expands on the already positive relationship with several commercial developers bringing forward employment sites and premises. This will be linked with a review of employment land for the Local Planning process, being facilitated by Lichfields, a planning consultancy and with the Infrastructure Plan currently under development.</li> </ul> <div>STATUS: ACTIVE</div>
			Actions coming out of Council commissioned report into sustainable low carbon opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Two commissions are being undertaken with <u>Localis</u> (a) facilitating a set of stakeholder sessions this month on supporting the Council explore a green recovery and to offer best practice ideas, linked with other Council developments and aligned with the Environmental Strategy (b) developing a toolkit to help businesses adopt low carbon / energy efficiency initiatives that help minimise costs and harmful emissions. This is now being reviewed with University of Nottingham and a joint approach is being explored.</li> </ul> <div>STATUS: ACTIVE</div>
	Between March 2020 and October 2022	Use of digital technologies to improve business productivity	Promote 5G Turbine Digital Hub	<p>Following the funding and kick-off announcement on 2 December, to account for the installation of the new fibre connectivity, the next external announcement is scheduled for mid-February.</p> <div>STATUS: ACTIVE</div>
			Promote Growth Hub scale-up and innovation programmes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In addition to the <b>Scale-Up initiative</b> <a href="https://www.d2n2growthhub.co.uk/grow/scale-up-support/">https://www.d2n2growthhub.co.uk/grow/scale-up-support/</a> and related sector and university-based support, the Business Advisers work with Nottinghamshire companies supporting their growth ambitions with applications to the <b>Business Investment Fund</b>. The Council's Business Advisers support businesses in drafting their applications and advise on the criteria. Over the first two quarters of 2020, 43 Nottinghamshire businesses benefitted from its investment: <a href="https://www.d2n2growthhub.co.uk/grow/managing-finance/funding-for-your-business/access-to-local-finance/d2n2-business-investment-fund/">https://www.d2n2growthhub.co.uk/grow/managing-finance/funding-for-your-business/access-to-local-finance/d2n2-business-investment-fund/</a></li> </ul> <div>STATUS: ACTIVE</div>
	Between now and March 2021	Develop and promote a refreshed marketable brand for Nottinghamshire	A high-quality year-round programme that links to the Visitor Economy Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Learning how Nottinghamshire is connected to the voyage of the Mayflower 400 years ago:</b> A Pilgrim Adventure is an exciting new augmented reality activity book aimed at children that allows them to discover the fascinating story of how William Brewster, a boy from Nottinghamshire, helped to change the world.</li> <li>A digital version of A Pilgrim Adventure is available for download at: <a href="https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/media/2885813/apilgrimadventure.pdf">https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/media/2885813/apilgrimadventure.pdf</a></li> </ul> <div>STATUS: ACTIVE</div>
			Support Visitor Economy hubs with partners to generate additional income	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Holme Pierrepont:</b> selected leisure services have been re-opened in line with Tier 3 restrictions. The Country Park continues to be very popular, with a significant increase in footfall recorded during the pandemic. Work has been ongoing to support the preparations for the return of the site's extensive programme of sport events and camps later in 2021, as COVID-19 recovery progresses locally and nationally.</li> <li><b>Sherwood:</b> have recently been successful in acquiring a license to sell Robin Hood and Maid Marion marketed alcoholic beverages from local producers. Throughout the pandemic, to maximise visitor experience in a COVID-secure environment, Sherwood have also invested in adapting the site and its facilities, such as improving hot food storage to broaden the takeaway offer available to visitors. Events have also been and continue to be adapted, with lessons from the success of the Halloween Trail being incorporated into plans for this year's Christmas Trail. Good practice from the pandemic will continue to be considered in future planning.</li> <li><b>Rufford:</b> a bid has been submitted for Rural Development Programme funding to extend the Adventure Play Area and put in some toilet facilities; this would deliver additional income through increased secondary spend. Part of the Undercroft has now reopened to visitors after being closed for several months. Significantly increased footfall and demand during the COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the great and continuing importance of Rufford as a heritage location and green space critical to the mental and physical wellbeing of residents and visitors.</li> </ul> <div>STATUS: ACTIVE</div>
			Programme of arts and culture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work underway with the Captivate Cultural Education Partnership (part of Inspire Youth Arts) for Ashfield and Mansfield through a seat on the</li> </ul>

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Between March 2020 and October 2022	Preservation, development and use of our assets	in libraries through Inspire	<p>Captivate Board and development of the <b>Get This project</b>. <i>Get This</i> provides arts and cultural opportunities specifically for Looked After Children aged 8 to 19 years to boost confidence, support mental health and wellbeing, and give them an opportunity to produce, shape and take part in the arts</p> <p> <b>STATUS: ACTIVE</b></p>
		Network of local cycling infrastructure to link visitor attractions, including well signed trails and circular routes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Miner2Major Connecting Trails project</b> – survey methodology created, some trails related online engagement delivered but training and survey work remains on hold until it is safe to carry out with volunteers.</li> </ul> <p> <b>STATUS: ACTIVE BUT PAUSED</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Expression of interest submitted to D2N2 LEP</b> for funding to restore the Calverton former mineral line and provide a safe, off-road bridleway/ cycle route from Bestwood to Calverton, linking through to Sherwood Forest and attractions such as Papplewick Pumping Station. Working with VIA to undertake feasibility study.</li> </ul> <p> <b>STATUS: ACTIVE</b></p>
		Work with partners to develop tourism cycling opportunities across D2N2 area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Following determination of the <b>Council's priorities for cycling investment</b> at 3 September 2020 Communities and Place Committee, design work has been commissioned on several potential routes for future investment.</li> <li>• The <b>Transforming Cities Fund programme</b> is scheduled to be considered at a future Policy Committee meeting.</li> </ul> <p> <b>STATUS: ACTIVE</b></p>
		Capital investment in Phase 3 of the Sherwood Forest Visitor Centre to create a well-signed visitor entry point and tourism route via the A614 road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In 2018, the Secretary of Transport announced that £18m of funding would be allocated to the Council for a major scheme to improve the road network along the A614 and A6097 corridor between Ollerton and Lowdham. A <b>dedicated webpage on the A614 development</b> has been created on the Council's website: <a href="https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/transport/roads/a614">https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/transport/roads/a614</a></li> <li>• Building upon last summer's six consultation events, from 2-22 November 2020, residents were able to have their say on the new design. Restrictions due to COVID-19 meant that <b>public consultation events</b> were replaced with two virtual consultation rooms where residents could view the revised proposals and scheme drawings before having their say. The virtual consultation rooms were accessed by visiting: <a href="https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/transport/roads/a614">https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/transport/roads/a614</a></li> </ul> <p> <b>STATUS: ACTIVE</b></p>
		Business case for investing in a visitor friendly bus route from Nottingham city to Sherwood Forest using existing services and Sherwood livery buses	<p> <b>STATUS: NOT YET STARTED</b></p>
		Develop and deliver heritage-led regeneration projects and training programmes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Miner2Major</b> - Work underway with M2M partners to put in place a range of opportunities for traineeships, apprenticeships and Kickstart roles. Heritage building surveys currently paused in line with Covid-19 restrictions but could begin in the Spring. In the interim, content being created for online heritage skills training. Work underway to offer heritage skills training for Inspire 16 – 19 construction students. An on-line training programme is now being delivered, following stakeholder needs survey of heritage tourism partners. <a href="https://miner2major.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/">https://miner2major.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/</a></li> <li>• <b>Townscape Heritage Initiative programme for Mansfield</b> - specialist input and financial support continues for the Mansfield District Council-led project (Market Place and Leeming Street).</li> </ul> <p> <b>STATUS: ACTIVE</b></p>
		Maximise benefits of the 5G Connected Forest project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Exploratory meetings continue around <b>testing semi-autonomous vehicles to transport visitors</b>, particularly those with mobility issues to Sherwood Forest.</li> </ul>

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Augmented reality (AR) projects at Rufford and Sherwood</b> - heritage input has been provided to the content development to support script writing and filming.</li> </ul> <div>STATUS: ACTIVE</div>
	Between now and March 2021	Prioritise investment and the development of post COVID-19 infrastructure in Nottinghamshire	Submit appropriate projects to the D2N2 LEP reserve list of future propositions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work continues with the D2N2 LEP to <b>identify and secure funding needed to support County projects</b> for economic growth and recovery. This includes aligning the vision of the Council with the emerging <b>UK Shared Prosperity Fund</b> (the funding to replace European Structural Funds) and the new £4 billion <b>Levelling Up Fund</b>.</li> </ul> <div>STATUS: ACTIVE</div>
			Publish a Nottinghamshire Infrastructure Plan covering: energy efficient and SMART homes; employment and skills; digital, public transport and road connectivity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work almost complete on a geographic information system (GIS) to gather, manage, and analyse data. As is a <b>Strategic Infrastructure Plan</b> which will set out Nottinghamshire's high-level infrastructure priorities for the next 10 years.</li> </ul> <div>STATUS: ACTIVE</div>
			Launch a gigabit broadband voucher scheme in early September 2020, running until March 2021 to increase our current county coverage of 13.66%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Social media campaign launched around the <b>Gigabit Broadband Voucher Scheme</b>.</li> <li>39 individual group schemes with over 2,000 premises in Nottinghamshire have been assisted and currently discussing options with their chosen internet service suppliers.</li> <li>Gigabit coverage continues to rise and is currently <b>17.11%</b> (i.e. up 3.15% since 3 November 2020 update). Virgin media's cable network currently covers 71.72%.</li> </ul> <div>STATUS: COMPLETED</div>
			Commence delivery of the £3.6m investment as part of the Government's Getting Building Fund on two key projects for the county: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The new 5G Enabled Digital Centre</li> <li>Lindhurst Development</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>The new Digital Innovation Centre</b> showcasing the latest in augmented and virtual reality and 5G-related innovations will be created at Nottinghamshire County Council's Worksop Turbine Centre. The Centre will benefit from £592,000 from the Getting Building Fund which will be used to comprehensively upgrade the existing digital IT infrastructure of the centre, boosting the productivity of the more than 40 businesses already on site, and creating new high-skilled jobs. The programme of investment is being used to improve digital infrastructure; support skills and career opportunities; and the transition to a low carbon economy to drive economic growth following the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. With funding secured, work has now started to refurbish the building and create the space to showcase the county's latest innovations in augmented and virtual reality as well as providing businesses with space to trial and develop their own innovations using 5G related technologies. Working with local schools and colleges the Digital Innovation Centre will also provide access to the latest technology to inspire the next generation of local innovators.</li> <li><b>Lindhurst Development, Mansfield:</b> With phase one of the project progressing well and due to deliver the first 530 housing units to the site, the £3 million Getting Building Fund monies will go towards phase two of the development involving the construction of a spine road to serve the wider development and the surrounding area. The spine road will unlock space for 475 homes plus a local centre including shops, a health centre, care homes, and a new primary school and nursery. Local bus links and green routes will also be established to support as many as 4000 new jobs. Work on phase two is due to begin this month and be completed by March 2022.</li> </ul> <div>STATUS: ACTIVE</div>
	Between March 2020 and October 2022	Future mobility plans to be better prepared for growth	In close collaboration with stakeholder, develop pathways to foster exchanges of experience,	<div>STATUS: NOT YET STARTED</div>



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			ideas and proposals	
	Between now and March 2021	Develop an economic opportunity programme	Develop an approach to town centre identify, branding and a shared vision	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Council has engaged with partners under the Local Resilience Forum (LRF) Public Realm Group and the Economy Cell to support co-ordination on <b>safely re-opening the high street</b>. This work is now evolving into a review of measures that could be taken to support the longer-term sustainability of the high street and of retail and service-related businesses. This work is being steered through the LRF Economy Cell. This aligns with the engagement with the respective Town Deal partners in developing their respective strategies and potential project input, focusing on pedestrian / highways access and connectivity.</li> <li>The N2 Town Centre programme continues to bring forward projects for development, influenced and accounting for the impact of COVID-19. A further two approvals at Chapel Lane Bingham and at Carlton Square in Gedling have been approved, with three remaining to be considered.</li> </ul> <p> <b>STATUS: ACTIVE</b></p>
			Develop a partnership strategy to harness the economic opportunities resulting from the decommissioning of power stations sites at Cottam, Ratcliffe on Soar and West Burton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Decommissioning of the stations at Cottam and West Burton by 2025</b> - active exploratory discussions underway with EDF Energy in relation to plans.</li> </ul> <p> <b>STATUS: ACTIVE</b></p>
	Between March 2020 and October 2022	Innovative active travel solutions for short trips to improve health	Promote and enable increased active travel to our town centres to access employment and services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Active Travel Fund Tranche 2 funding</b> - The Department for Transport (DfT) has recently announced that it has allocated £2.18m towards the County Council's Active Travel Fund Tranche 2 proposals. The Council's bid included the following schemes, which met the government's eligibility and delivery deadline criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>A6191 Chesterfield Road North/South, Mansfield</b> – improvements to the existing on-road cycle lane from north of Rosemary Street to south of Debdale Lane junction to provide a fully segregated cycle track</li> <li><b>Beeston cycling improvements</b> – A point closure to through traffic on Dovecote Lane to provide a quiet route for cyclists; and additional secure cycling hubs at the nearby rail station</li> <li><b>High Pavement, Sutton in Ashfield</b> – conversion of existing traffic lanes and removal of short-stay on-street parking to create a new lightly segregated cycleway (e.g. by using traffic wands); along with improvements to the High Pavement/Station Road/Forest Street junction traffic signals (to provide crossing facilities for cyclists and to improve capacity for other vehicles)</li> <li><b>Randall Way, Retford</b> – a new fully segregated cycleway/footway adjacent to the existing carriageway between Hallcroft Road and the A638 North Road</li> <li><b>Regatta Way, Gamston</b> – upgrade of the existing shared use footway to create a new fully segregated cycleway between Adbolton Lane and the A6011 Radcliffe Road</li> <li><b>Victoria Street/Portland Street, Newark</b> – creation of a new lightly segregated cycleway on Victoria Street/Portland Street following the introduction of a new one-way traffic system on Victoria Street/Portland Street/Albert Street</li> <li>A behaviour change support package specifically targeted along the Tranche 1 and proposed Tranche 2 infrastructure improvements, as well as in the locations/town centres to which these routes improve access.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Our ambitious Tranche 2 bid proposals, totalled over £3m, exceeding the Council's funding allocation. A finalised programme to fit the £2.18m allocation, prioritising the schemes that will be delivered as part of the Tranche 2 programme, will be determined by Councillors through the appropriate Committee. Further information on the delivery of the Active Travel Fund Tranche 2 programme will be published on the Council's dedicated webpage once Councillors have determined the schemes that will be delivered as part of the programme: <a href="https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/transport/active-travel-fund">https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/transport/active-travel-fund</a></li> </ul>

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Each scheme that is included in the programme is still subject to detailed investigation, design and safety audit, as well as consultation and equality impact assessments.</li> </ul> <div>  <b>STATUS: ACTIVE</b> </div>
			Adoption of a strategic masterplan for the Toton and Chetwynd site by Summer 2021 (connectivity an integral part of this)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The first part of a <b>local connectivity study for the High Speed 2 (HS2)</b> Hub was completed in Autumn 2019.</li> <li>This work, alongside a parallel <b>masterplanning commission</b>, resulted in a series of formal “asks” being submitted to Department for Transport (DfT) and HS2 Ltd in relation to the station design and connectivity requirements. The second phase of work has focussed on developing a strategic masterplan for the Toton and Chetwynd site, in partnership with Broxtowe Borough Council.</li> <li>An initial <b>six-week consultation on Toton and Chetwynd strategic masterplan proposals</b> closed on 22 November 2020. The responses are now being analysed and a consultation report will be presented to the Toton Delivery Board in February 2021.</li> <li>A later <b>formal consultation on the proposals will be held in Spring 2021</b>.</li> </ul> <div>  <b>STATUS: ACTIVE</b> </div>