



2 November 2016

Dear Sir/Madam

A meeting of the Jobs and Economy Committee will be held on Thursday, 10 November 2016 in the New Council Chamber, Foster Avenue, Beeston, commencing at 7.00pm.

Should you require advice on declaring an interest in any item on the agenda, please contact the Monitoring Officer at your earliest convenience.

Yours faithfully

Chief Executive

To Councillors:	B C Carr	A Harper (Chair)
	T A Cullen	H G Khaled MBE
	M J Crow (Vice Chair)	P Lally
	J W Handley	W J Longdon
	M Handley	R S Robinson

## AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are requested to declare the existence and nature of any disclosable pecuniary interest and/or other interest in any item on the agenda.

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## JOBS AND ECONOMY COMMITTEE

7 JULY 2016

Present: Councillor A Harper, Chair

Councillors: B C Carr  
M J Crow  
T A Cullen  
J W Handley  
M Handley  
R I Jackson  
P Lally  
W J Longdon  
P D Simpson (substitute)

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors H G Khaled MBE and R S Robinson.

### 12. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

### 13. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 19 May 2016 were confirmed and signed.

### 14. COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY

The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) was introduced in 2010 to provide funding for infrastructure in areas undergoing development. Questions about the efficacy of CIL had led to a government review which was due to report shortly. The Committee considered that the risk of the CIL being scrapped undermined the case for committing resources to investigate implementation at this time. Should the CIL continue to exist, the Committee could put it in place at any time.

**RESOLVED that a further report be brought to enable consideration following the conclusion of the government review.**

### 15. HS2 UPDATE

The Committee noted that, in January 2013, the government had announced that Toton was the preferred location for a hub station to serve the East Midlands. Since then the Ministry of Defence (MOD) had announced that

they were to put the Chetwynd Barracks site up for development. The proximity of this site with the Strategic Location for Growth was noted as was the potential for significant development. It was added that the Council was already working closely with the MOD to ensure that a quality development along the lines of a garden village was created and integrated into the existing community in a coherent and coordinated way.

The Committee considered the wider impact of potential development in Toton, specifically the traffic implications through Beeston. It was stated that traffic was a key issue for the site and would require proper investigation to ensure that the impact was properly planned for. The Committee considered the programme of workshops taking place over the summer to consult local people on the development to ensure that concerns were addressed at the earliest opportunity and to involve experts from the transport authority and Highways England in the process. It was suggested that mitigation measures should include extensive work on the highways network.

The Committee noted that many members of the public had expressed hope that the development on the Chetwynd Barracks site could take the housing allocations for their areas. It was agreed that because the project was a long term prospect it could not be included in the five year housing land supply.

The Committee voiced concern over changes that had been announced regarding the high speed line to Sheffield, specifically the scrapping of the hub station at Meadowhall in favour of a spur line into Sheffield city centre. There had been assurances from the Chief Executive of HS2 that the line to Toton was going ahead and that the business case for this was robust.

**RESOLVED that:**

- 1. The Council includes the further work on the growth strategy and development at Chetwynd in the Broxtowe Masterplan approved by Cabinet in December 2015 and the detailed changes to be delegated to the Head of Neighbourhoods and Prosperity in consultation with the Chair of the Jobs and Economy Committee.**
- 2. Further consultation be undertaken to give the opportunity for more detailed comments on the Chetwynd Barracks site together with other potential development sites prior to more detailed specific workshops being held.**

16. KEY SITES UPDATE

The Committee noted the update on key sites for development within the Borough.

Particular reference was made to the Kimberley Brewery site where preliminaries to specialist demolition work had taken place. The next stage was a Council assessment of the detailed demolition methods, which was to be funded within departmental budgets.

The Committee noted that Beeston Business Park was due to go to Planning Committee on 7 September 2016. Concern was voiced that there was disappointment amongst residents that the development was to include 27 industrial units rather than housing.

It was added that after discussion with Nottinghamshire County Council, the Walker Street site was to be used for a school with housing on the remainder of the development.

The Committee was informed that the Council was ready to proceed with a compulsory purchase order on Moults Yard, Stapleford.

A discussion followed regarding the Beamlight factory site. It was stated that the group involved in the development of the site had experience in bringing difficult sites to development and work regarding decontamination of land was progressing. The Chair requested that the Beamlight site be added to the list of key sites for a regular update.

It was clarified that the site included in the list as the Manor, Toton, referred to the Burnett's Garage site, rather than the public house.

The Committee noted that confidence in construction had suffered a downturn and that it was possible the Council might have to do more to bring sites to development.

17. HOUSING AND PLANNING ACT 2016

The Committee considered the implications of the Housing and Planning Act 2016 for the Council with particular reference to starter homes. These were to be sold at 20% below market rate for the area and provision for starter homes would be included in the Core Strategy. Further information would be provided by the government in the form of regulations shortly.

**RESOLVED that a report of the Starter Home Provision be brought to the Jobs and Economy Committee once the regulations on starter homes are issued.**

18. WORK PROGRAMME

The Committee noted that the provision of workshops had taken the place of advisory groups for the consideration of Neighbourhood Plans and sites that straddled boundaries.

It was noted that although the Committee had not yet considered an item specifically on job creation, the benefits of housing provision was emphasised as being key to an area's economic wellbeing.

**RESOLVED that the Work Programme be approved.**

**Joint report of the Director of Legal and Planning Services and the Deputy Chief Executive****PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT – REVIEW OF BUSINESS PLAN  
PROGRESS – BUSINESS GROWTH**1. Purpose of report

To report progress against outcome targets identified in the Business Growth Business Plan, linked to Corporate Plan priorities and objectives, and to provide an update as to the latest key performance indicators in the Business Growth Business Plan.

2. Background

The Corporate Plan 2016-2020 was approved by Cabinet on 9 February 2016. Business Plans linked to the five corporate priority areas of Housing, Business Growth, Environment, Health and Community Safety were approved by Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 1 and 3 February 2016.

3. Performance management

As part of the Council's performance management framework, each Committee receives regular reports during the year which review progress against their respective Business Plans. This will include a detailed annual report where performance management and financial outturns are considered together following the year-end.

This quarterly report is intended to provide this Committee with an overview of progress towards Corporate Plan priorities from the perspective of the Business Growth Business Plan. It provides a summary of the progress made to date on key tasks and priorities for improvement in 2016/17 and the latest data relating to Key Performance Indicators (KPI). This summary is detailed in appendix 1.

**Recommendation**

**The Committee is asked to CONSIDER the progress made in achieving the Business Plan for Business Growth and to NOTE the current Key Performance Indicators for 2016/17.**

Background papers

Nil

## APPENDIX 1

**PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT**1. Background - Corporate Plan

A new Corporate Plan for 2016-2020 was approved by Cabinet on 9 February 2016. It has been developed setting out the Council's priorities to achieve its vision to make "Broxtowe a great place where people enjoy living, working and spending leisure time." Over the next few years, the Council will focus on the priorities of Housing, Business Growth, Community Safety, Health and Environment.

The Corporate Plan prioritises local community needs and resources are directed toward the things they think are most important. These needs are aligned with other local, regional and national plans to ensure the ambitions set out in our Corporate Plan are realistic and achievable.

2. Business Plans

A series of Business Plans linked to the five corporate priority areas, including Business Growth, were approved by Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 1 and 3 February 2016.

The Council's priority for Business Growth is 'New and growing businesses providing more jobs for people in Broxtowe and improved town centres'. Its objectives are to:

- Increase the number of new businesses starting in Broxtowe (BG1)
- Help our town centres to compete and attract more visitors (BG2)
- Complete the regeneration of Beeston town centre (BG3)

The Business Plans detail the projects and activities undertaken in support of the Corporate Plan 2016-20 for each priority area. These cover a three-year period but will be revised and updated annually. Detailed monitoring of progress against key tasks and outcome measures in the Business Plans is undertaken regularly by the relevant Committee. This will include a detailed annual report where performance management and financial outturns are considered together following the year-end as part of the Council's commitment to closely align financial and performance management.

3. Performance Management

As part of the Council's performance management framework, the Jobs and Economy Committee receives regular reports of progress against the Business Growth Business Plan. This report provides a summary of the progress made to date on key tasks and priorities for improvement in 2016/17 (as extracted from the Covalent performance management system). It also provides the latest data relating to Key Performance Indicators (KPI).

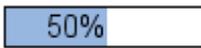
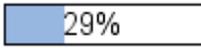
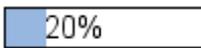
The Council monitors its performance using the Covalent performance management system. Members have been provided with access to the system via a generic user name and password, enabling them to interrogate the system on a 'view only' basis. Members will be aware of the red, amber and green traffic light symbols that are utilised to provide an indication of performance at a particular point in time.

The key to the symbols used in the Covalent performance reports is as follows:

Action Status Key		
	Completed	The action/task has been completed
	In Progress	The action/task is in progress and is currently expected to meet the due date
	Warning	The action/task is approaching its due date (and/or one or more milestones is approaching or has passed its due date)
	Overdue	The action/task has passed its due date
	Cancelled	This action/task has been cancelled or postponed

Key Performance Indicator and Trends Key			
	Alert		Improving
	Warning		No Change
	OK		Getting Worse
	Unknown		Data Only

## Business Growth Key Tasks and Priorities for Improvement 2016/17

Status Icon	Covalent Code	Action Title	Action Description	Progress Bar	Due Date	Comments
	JBG1316_05	Improve facilities at Beeston train station	Improve facilities at Beeston train station		31-Mar-2016	Improved cycle parking was installed in March 2016. Improved car parking is directly linked to commencement of the Beeston Business Park redevelopment - currently no firm timescale.
	PLACE1215_04	Regulatory implementation of Phase 2 of the Tram	Regulatory implementation of Phase 2 of the Tram Extension.		30-Sep-2016	Completed.
	BG1620_01	Bring forward the Part 2 Local Plan to adoption	Bring forward the Part 2 Local Plan to adoption		31-Jan-2017	Update report to Economic Development and Strategic Planning Committee on 16 November 2016  Work is continuing towards to preparing the draft Part 2 Local Plan. A series of workshops have been held and the information is being used to develop the plan.
	BG1620_05	Support tram extension to the HS2 station and transport infrastructure work in the wider region.	Support tram extension to the HS2 station and transport infrastructure work in the wider region.		30-Sep-2016 revised to March 2020	Working with HS2 working group NET and other partners to move this forward.
	BG1620_07	CPO Moults Yard	To take steps, including preparing for the use of compulsory purchase powers if necessary, to progress the redevelopment of this land.		31-Jul-2017	A joint update report is being prepared for submission to Policy and Performance Committee.  Progress appears reduced from 25% in Quarter 1 as additional milestones have been added giving clearer indication of future progress.

Status Icon	Covalent Code	Action Title	Action Description	Progress Bar	Due Date	Comments
	BG1620_08	Enable consideration of undertaking a CIL charging Schedule	Enable consideration of undertaking a CIL charging Schedule	<input type="text" value="0%"/>	29-Feb-2017	Awaiting further government report on how CIL is fit for purpose.
	CP1417_02	Stapleford Gateway site	Redevelopment of the Stapleford Gateway site	<input type="text" value="33%"/>	31-Mar-2018	Contractor has begun on Phase 1.
	JBG1417_04	Apprenticeship Campaign	Work with partners to develop an Apprenticeship Campaign	<input type="text" value="0%"/>	31-Dec-2015	A new officer has been appointed with progress expected within the next six months.
	JBG1417_05	Develop a borough wide incentive scheme for employers	Work with partners to leverage investment and develop a borough-wide incentive scheme for employees	<input type="text" value="0%"/>	31-Dec-2015	A new officer has been appointed with progress expected within the next six months.
	JBG1518_01	Review of car parking charges	Review car parking charges following opening and commencement of tram operations	<input type="text" value="50%"/>	30-Sep-2016	Review approved by Environment and Community Safety Committee on 14 July 2016. Income loss projections agreed by Finance and Resources Committee on 19th September. Initial measures will be implemented from 1 <sup>st</sup> December.
	JBG1518_02	Develop town centre plans	Develop town centre plans for each of the four principal town centres in the borough	<input type="text" value="50%"/>	31-Jan-2017	Due date revised following revision of the milestones to match the Local Plan Part 2 due date.
	JBG1518_03	Temp parking as part of Beeston Phase 2	Implement temporary parking as part of the Beeston Phase 2 development site	<input type="text" value="100%"/>	31-Jul-2016	Car park now completed .
	JBG1518_06	Neighbourhood Plans	Assist in the preparation of	<input type="text" value="27%"/>	31-Dec-2017	Update report to Economic Development and Strategic Planning

Status Icon	Covalent Code	Action Title	Action Description	Progress Bar	Due Date	Comments
			Neighbourhood Plans			Committee due 10 November 2016 .
	PLACE0912_05	Produce town centre studies as part of the Broxtowe Part 2 Local Plan (publication vers'n)	Eastwood, Kimberley, Stapleford	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 15px; background-color: white; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;">0%</div>	31-Oct-2016	These actions will be subsumed into the Local Plan Part Two process.
	PLACE0912_07b	Bring forward site allocations to adoption as part of the Broxtowe Part 2 Local Plan (publication version)	Create document to identify sites	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 15px; background-color: #add8e6; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;">63%</div>	31-Oct-2016	Report is to be submitted to Economic Development and Strategic Planning Committee in Autumn 2016. The actual Start Date was 10 April 2014.
	PLACE1013_08	Identify the important policies to use as basis for development control in the Broxtowe Part 2 Local Plan (publication version)	Adoption of policies to undertake effective development control	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 15px; background-color: #add8e6; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;">38%</div>	31-Jul-2016	Workshops held in July 2016 the feedback is to be analysed and will be used to develop the Local Plan Part 2.
	PLACE1215_05	Secure best outcomes for the borough from tram works.	Work with all parties involved with NET Phase 2 in relation to compensation payments for land loss, land hand back and snagging. Secure best possible outcomes for the borough from the construction and operation of the tram.	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 15px; background-color: #add8e6; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;">75%</div>	31-Dec-2017	Due date revised from February 2016.

## Business Growth Key Performance Indicators 2016/17

Status Icon	PI Code & Short Name	2015/16 Outturn	2016/17 Q1	2016/17 Q2	Current Target	Short Term Trend	Long Term Trend	Notes
	BV204 % of appeals allowed against authority decision to refuse planning permission	52.94%	14.29%		30.00%			Above target.
	NI 157a Processing of planning applications: Major applications determined within 13 weeks	77.27%	100.00%	83.33%	50.00%			Well above target which is impressive considering the multitude of factors involved in dealing with major applications.
	NI 157b Processing of planning applications: Minor applications determined within 8 weeks	92.26%	87.18%	90.74%	90.00%			Minor fluctuations probably due to staffing changes.
	NI 157c Processing of planning applications: Other applications determined within 8 weeks.	95.03%	95.14%	95.22%	95.00%			Above target.
	TCLocal_01a Percentage of town centre units occupied: Beeston	94%	96%	97%	90%			
	TCLocal_01b Percentage of town centre units occupied: Kimberley	92%	91%	89%	90%			
	TCLocal_01c Percentage of town centre units occupied: Eastwood	92%	92%	91%	90%			
	TCLocal_01d Percentage of town centre units occupied: Stapleford	89%	90%	90%	90%			
	TCLocal_03 Town Centre user satisfaction - Businesses (%)	-	-	-	-	-	-	2016 will provide baseline data.

Status Icon	PI Code & Short Name	2015/16 Outturn	2016/17 Q1	2016/17 Q2	Current Target	Short Term Trend	Long Term Trend	Notes
	TCLocal_04 Town Centre user satisfaction - Customers (%)	-	-	-	-	-	-	2016 will provide baseline data.

## Report of the Director of Legal and Planning Services

**NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE**1. Purpose of report

To update members of the Committee on the progress in preparing the Neighbourhood Plans.

2. Background

There are seven Parish or Town Councils in the process of preparing their Neighbourhood Plans, all of whom have dedicated officer support from Planning Officers at Broxtowe. These are Nuthall, Greasley, Brinsley, Eastwood, Kimberley, Awsworth and Stapleford. The Parish and Town Councils are at different stages of plan preparation but it is expected that Nuthall and possibly Greasley could be in a position to submit their draft Plans shortly.

There is also progress on plan preparation for non-parished areas in setting up Neighbourhood Forums. Bramcote was designated as a Neighbourhood Plan area on 3 August 2016 and, in addition, there is significant work underway to establish a Neighbourhood Forum to assist with the effective planning of the Chetwynd Barracks site. This has involved a number of public meetings and, by the time the Committee meet, it is expected that a draft Neighbourhood Plan area boundary will have been established with the potential that this will have been formally submitted to Broxtowe to start the formal six week publicity period. More details are included in the appendix.

3. Financial implications

The 2016/17 Planning Policy revenue budget includes £31,950 for Neighbourhood Planning support. It is presently anticipated that this will be sufficient to meet the cost of the work outlined above.

**Recommendation**

**The Committee is asked to NOTE the report.**

Background papers

Nil

**APPENDIX****Neighbourhood Plans**

Neighbourhood Plans are produced by Parish and Town Councils or (where there is no Parish or Town Council) by Neighbourhood Forums. They are not within the remit of the Borough Council, although Broxtowe offers assistance with their production. This includes:

- Arranging training days covering different aspects of plan preparation such as drawing down funding, consultation, considering important issues to include, the relationship with the Borough Council's strategic policies (the Core Strategy), drafting the plan, the use of consultants and guidance in relation to the examination process.
- Some financial assistance with issues such as room hire and printing leaflets.
- Officer time and advice. Officers are available to attend meetings, sometimes including evening or weekend meetings particularly in the early stages of plan preparation, but throughout the process as required. The ambition of all officers and members is to secure sound Neighbourhood Plans that will successfully progress through their public examinations and then referendum.

A Neighbourhood Forum has been established for Bramcote and one is likely to be established later this year for the Chilwell West and Toton and Chilwell Meadows wards.

Neighbourhood Plans are currently being prepared for:

- Awsworth
- Bramcote
- Brinsley
- Eastwood
- Greasley
- Kimberley
- Nuthall
- Stapleford

In all cases, draft plans are in various stages of preparation. When the draft plans have been prepared, they will be the subject of public consultation and an examination by an independent inspector before they are finalised. Once they are finalised, they will become part of the basis for determining planning applications in their areas.

In terms of progress the Parish frontrunner is Nuthall who have a draft version of their plan with officers for final checks before the formal publication stage. This will comprise a six week period of public consultation following which the Parish Council will consider which (if any) policies to change before formally submitting the plan for examination.

Awsworth, Eastwood, Greasley and Kimberley have all made good progress on initial stages of public consultation and are underway with the detailed drafting of their plans.

Stapleford and Brinsley are also making some good progress but are not quite so advanced as the other Parish Councils mentioned above.

Of the Neighbourhood Froums, there is currently only one at Bramcote. They are progressing with the drafting of their plan and aim to have a draft version available to dovetail with Broxtowe Part 2 Local Plan preparation.

An application is expected imminently in relation to Chetwynd. This application is likely to form most of the wards of Chilwell West and Toton and Chilwell Meadows and potentially part of Attenborough and Chilwell East.

## Report of the Director of Legal and Planning Services

**PART 2 LOCAL PLAN UPDATE**1. Purpose of report

To update members of the Committee on the progress in preparing the Part 2 Local Plan.

2. Background

The Jobs and Economy Committee considered a report at its 8 July 2016 meeting at which the timetable, contained in the appendix, was endorsed. Progress is being made in line with this timetable. A sequence of workshops were held in July 2016 and the site specific additional consultation concluded on 3 October 2016. The site specific workshops will be held with a view to reporting the Part 2 Local Plan to the January 2017 meeting of the Jobs and Economy Committee with a likely public examination during the summer of 2017.

3. Financial implications

The 2016/17 Planning Policy revenue budget includes £32,200 for Generic Part 2 Local Plan work. It is anticipated that this will meet the cost of the proposed work set out above.

**Recommendation**

**The Committee is asked to NOTE the report.**

Background papers

Nil

**APPENDIX**

Broxtowe will be preparing a single development plan document (DPD), the Part 2 Local Plan. This will deal with all relevant planning issues, cover the whole Borough and complement the Aligned Core Strategy (the Part 1 Local Plan). The proposed timetable is based on the key elements of the Work Programme agreed by the Jobs and Economy Committee on 19 May 2016, slightly amended to allow for additional consultation on additional sites including Chetwynd Barracks to take place over the summer of 2016. The proposed timetable was as follows:

- Workshops on Part 2 Local Plan topics (July 2016)
- Consultation on additional sites (July to September 2016)
- Design review work on sites (July to September 2016)
- Workshops on site specific allocations, including the outcome of the summer consultation (October 2016)
- Report consultation responses to Jobs and Economy Committee (October 2016)
- Finalise publication draft Part 2 Local Plan (November and December 2016)
- Report Draft Part 2 Local Plan to Jobs and Economy Committee (January 2017).

## Report of the Director of Housing, Leisure and Property Services

**BEESTON TOWN CENTRE UPDATE**1. Purpose of report

To provide members with an update of activity since the end of the Business Improvement District (BID) and to consider temporary use of the phase 2 site.

2. Detail

- Beeston continues to recover well from the end of the tram works, as illustrated in the appendix.
- The phase 2 site was handed back by NET in May 2016.
- Broxtowe opened a new temporary car park on the site of the former fire station in July 2016 (this has been well received and is often full).
- The former bus station toilets were demolished in September 2016.
- There is the possibility of using some of the phase 2 site for a Christmas funfair in December 2016.

3. Present activity

- The Town Centre Management (TCM) team are working with different partners on ways to improve Beeston for businesses including: Chilwell Road Group, Healthy High Street Group (national retailers) and Beeston Buzz (retail crime group).
- TCM are improving the commercial use of Beeston Square. This is being achieved through additional lettings, through controlled sales pitches and through additional markets (see also separate report on this agenda regarding Consent Streets for Beeston). Current income from The Square (excluding the fixed buildings) now stands at around £25,000 per annum.
- After the possible use by a funfair it is planned to approach a range of partners who may be prepared to fund and operate other temporary uses for the remainder of the phase 2 site. These might include further funfairs, catering and sports activities for example. Should these not be forthcoming, additional temporary car parking will be considered.

4. Financial implications

There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

**Recommendation**

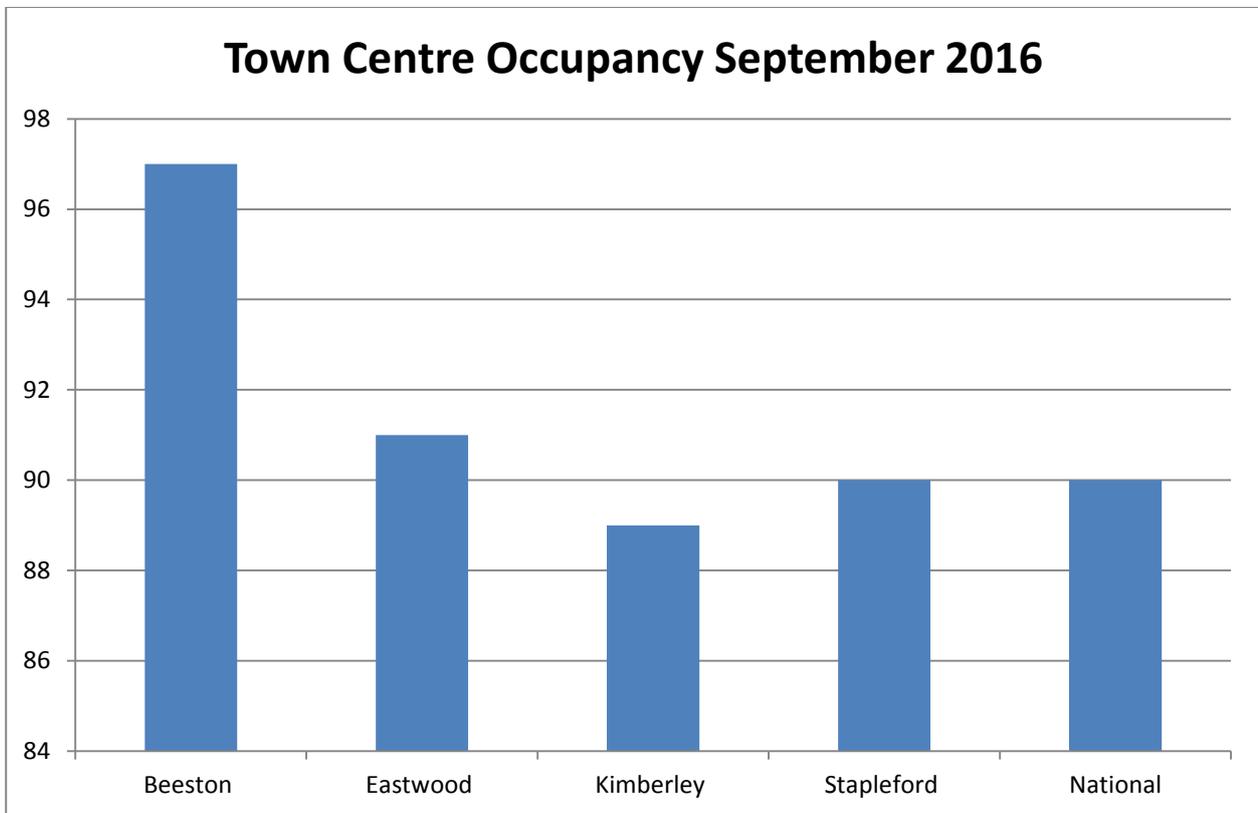
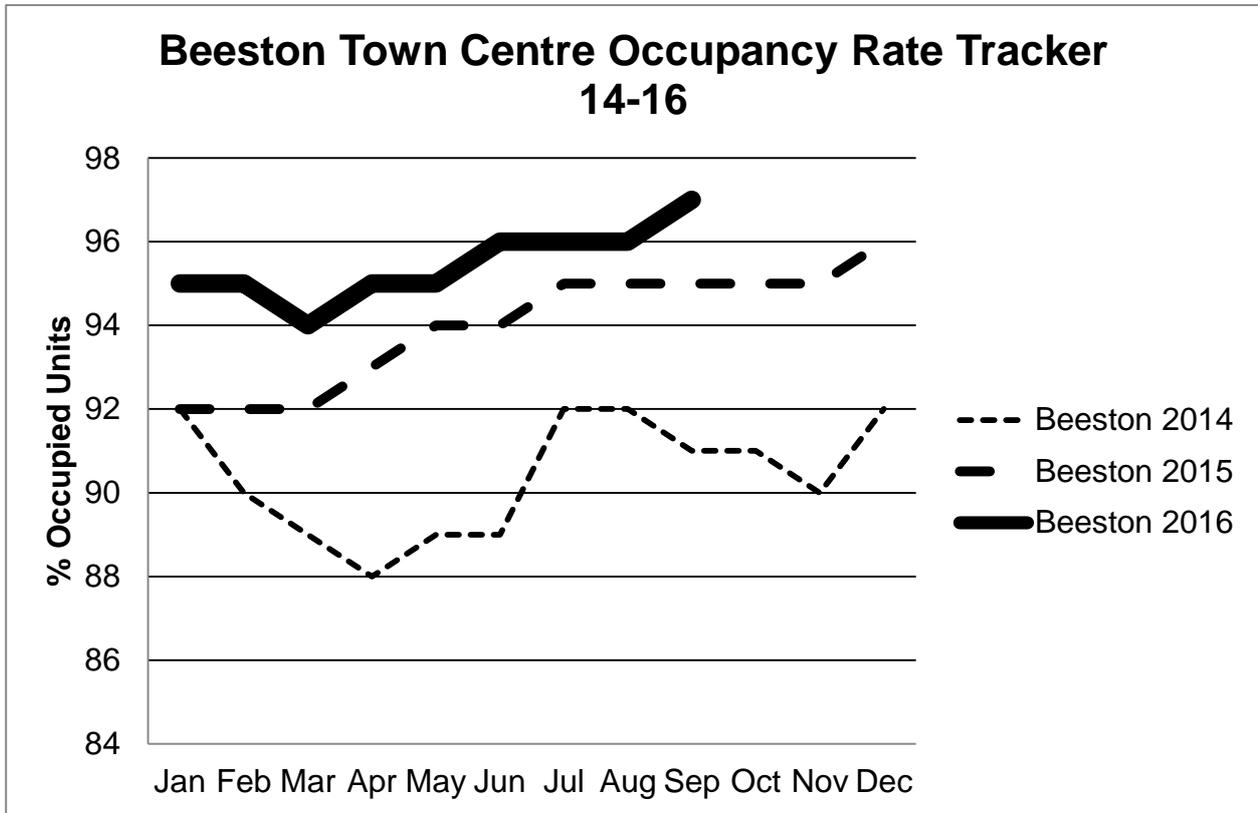
**The Committee is asked to NOTE the report.**

Background papers

Nil

APPENDIX

Measures of the health of Beeston



## Report of the Director of Housing, Leisure and Property Services

**STREET TRADING CONSENT AREA FOR BEESTON**1. Purpose of report

To provide information on current street trading issues in Beeston Town Centre, and to recommend a Street Trading Consent Area to address these issues.

2. Present street trading provision and issues

Street trading has been increasing in Beeston, particularly over the last three years. It sometimes involves sales persons assertively approaching pedestrians on the High Road and this has led to numerous complaints, especially in recent months (see appendix 1 for examples).

To address this, the Council can, under existing policies, define a 'street trading consent area' which would allow street trading to be regulated and to raise sufficient income to cover the costs of regulation. For example, neighbouring Erewash Borough Council charges £15 for a day street trading permit and £250 for a quarterly permit. At present Broxtowe is the only Council in the locality without a Street Trading Policy.

3. Procedure

Should members decide to proceed with the introduction of a Street Trading Policy, the adoption process requires a consultation process to be undertaken. Further details are given in appendix 1. Suggested streets are contained within appendix 2 and illustrated on the plan.

The process for application would be the same as the Use of Square Policy recently taken on by the Town Centre Management Team. The same team would also be best placed to administer and police this policy. Further details are given in appendix 2.

4. Financial implications

The cost of advertising the proposed Street Trading Consent Area is estimated to be £400. This can be met from the current 2016/17 Town Centre Management revenue budget of £37,600. The costs incurred in administering and policing street trading consent will be covered by the fee charged for the trading permits.

**Recommendation**

**The Committee is asked to RESOLVE that approval be granted to proceed with the formal and legal processes required for the introduction of a Street Trading Consent Area in Beeston Town Centre, and that this be extended to the other three town centres if this proves necessary in future.**

Background papers

Nil

## APPENDIX 1

The Council has received a number of complaints from shoppers in Beeston High Road arising from unregulated street trading. The Council has no specific policies in place regarding street trading other than general powers relating to nuisance and obstructions and is not therefore in a position to regulate such activity. Examples of recent complaints are as follows:

*"I write to complain about the half dozen xx sales agents on Beeston High Road near WH Smiths on most days. Do they have a licence to be there? As well as being a public nuisance they serve to do nothing more than make Beeston a no-go area for shoppers that just want to go about their business without being intimidated by people trying to sell multi-media contracts."*

Email dated 14/9/16

*"What's the opinion of others regarding the amount of sales reps spread the length of Beeston high road selling broadband etc" "xx nuisance, wonder how much @broxtowe bc get as a fee and is it worth it?"*

Exchange on Broxtowe's twitter account dated 7/9/16

*"Mr xx, is unhappy and feels that these companies should not be allowed and if they are they should have to pay".*

Transcript of a complaint made in person at the Council offices 15/9/16

*"I don't know if you have seen on Facebook on the Beeston Updated page, all the anger at these people accosting the general public trying to shop along the High Road. There are 3 of them right outside WH Smith, although yesterday, Saturday, xx had moved down nearer to Oxfam. They are really off putting and we have enough trouble getting people to come to Beeston without these touters for business putting them off. Are you able to do anything about them?"*

Email dated 18/9/16

*"Is there anything the Council can do to deal with the amount of people canvassing passers-by on Beeston High Rd? It's getting to the point where I don't want to visit the High Rd and shops as I am constantly being approached by sales people or charity collectors. I've heard and seen a lot of frustration from many people."*

Email dated 19/9/16

### Existing powers to act

Section 3 of the 1982 Local Government Miscellaneous Provisions Act 1982 enables a district council to adopt, under Schedule 4 of the Act, a code for the regulation and control of street trading within its area. Once Schedule 4 is adopted, a district council may choose to designate any street within its area as a prohibited or 'consent' street.

At the Policy and Resources Committee held on 14 February 1983 it was resolved that Schedule 4 of the above Act should apply to the District of Broxtowe Borough.

The Act allows for the introduction of a 'Street Trading Consent Area' which enables the Council to introduce permits for regulating street trading in a designated area. This would require the Council to specify criteria for determining applications and to establish a system for receiving and processing such applications.

Prior to introducing these, the Council will need to advertise the proposals and specify the precise streets which would form the consent area. The advertisement must contain a draft of the resolution to be passed and must be published in a local newspaper specifying a twenty-eight day period for representations to be made.

If representations are made these must then be considered before a resolution is passed designating a particular street. Once a resolution has been passed, the Council is obliged to publish the fact for two consecutive weeks in a local newspaper, giving a further notification period of twenty-eight days. If the Council wishes to rescind a designation or re-designate a street, the same procedure must be followed.

### Benefits

If adopted, the policy would enable the Council to:

- manage the number and type of traders/promoters within Beeston Town Centre. For example, it would be possible to refuse permission for those traders whose assertive marketing techniques might be regarded as detrimental to encouraging visitors;
- recover its costs and potentially generate income to support other activities. Section 9 of Schedule 4 to the Act allows the Council to charge such fees as it considers 'reasonable for the grant or renewal of a street trading licence or a street trading consent' and can vary charges according to the length of time that each permit lasts, the location covered by the permit and the type of activity permitted;
- prosecute traders who operate without appropriate consent in the Street Trading Consent Area, thereby enabling this activity to be fully regulated.

### Advertising requirements

Should members approve the introduction of a Street Trading Policy, the adoption process requires consultation to be undertaken. This includes statutory consultees who are specified within the provisions of the Act, which includes the Police and the Highways Authority.

**APPENDIX 2**

Suggested area to become consent streets

The street trading area would cover the following locations (see plan):

**Beeston Town Centre**

Chilwell Road, Chilwell/High Road, High Road, Wollaton Road, Station Road, Foster Avenue, Derby Street, Acacia Walk, City Road, Regent Street, Willoughby Street, Union Street, Villa Street, Stoney Street, Marlborough Road and Broadgate.

Suggested criteria for considering trader applications

Schedule 4 of the act places some limited restrictions on granting consents but otherwise states that 'when granting or renewing a street trading consent the council may attach such conditions to it as they consider reasonably necessary'.

Outline criteria for accepting applications may include:

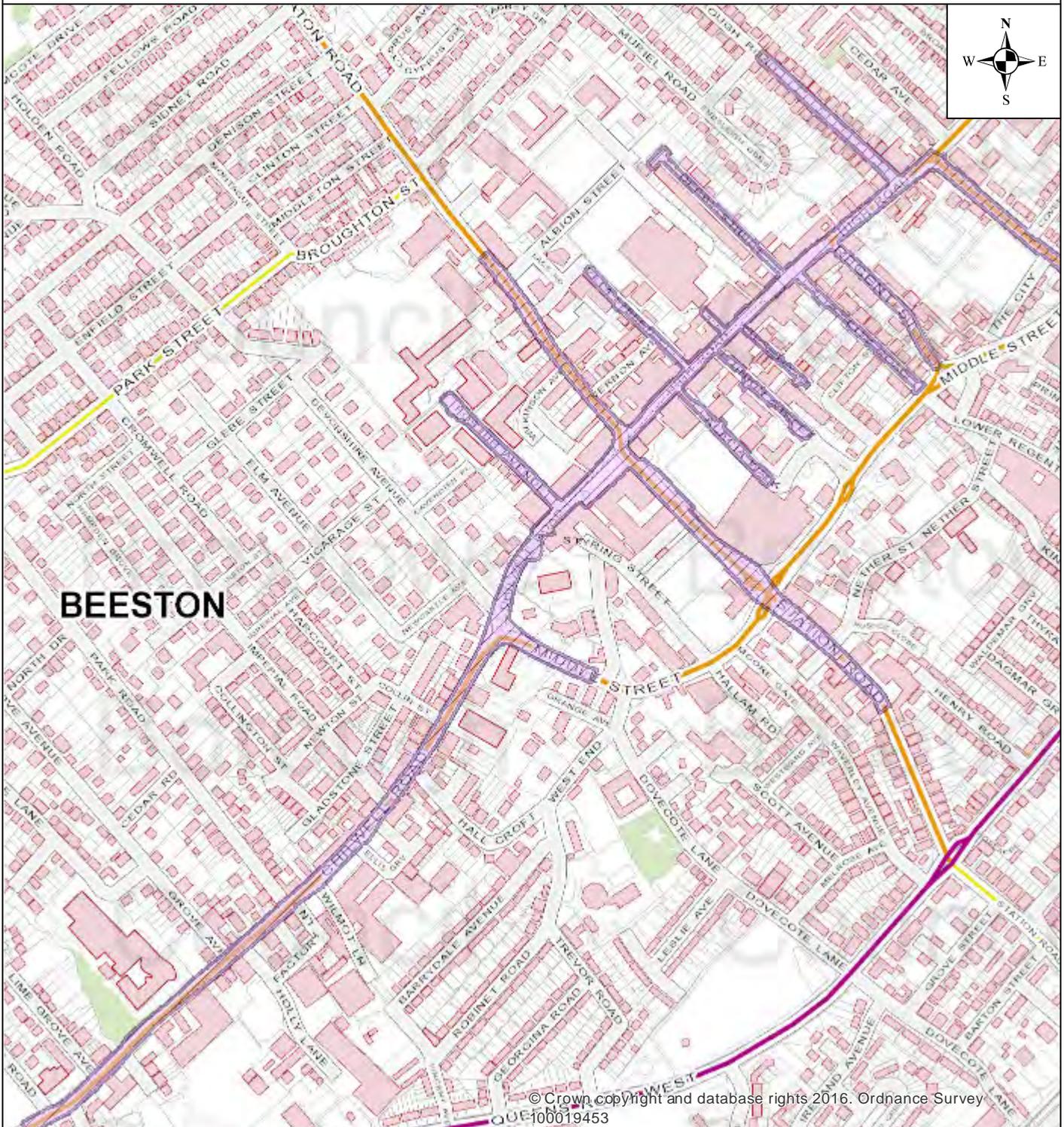
- Suitability of proposed location
- Number of consents already granted in the vicinity of the location for that time/day/week
- The capacity for full cost recovery and potential financial contribution to town centre improvement
- Marketing style of applicant (it is suggested that applicants be refused for a period where there they have a documented history of aggressive marketing styles).

As with the Use of Square Policy, applications would be submitted through the Council's website or in writing and will be processed by the Town Centre Management Team applying the above criteria and a schedule of fees to be determined as part of the 2017/18 budget-setting process.

# Consent Streets



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## NOTES

## Report of the Director of Housing, Leisure and Property Services

**TOWN CENTRE INVESTMENT PRIORITIES – EASTWOOD, KIMBERLEY AND STAPLEFORD**1. Purpose of report

To provide members with a summary of the activities and projects highlighted as key priorities by town centre businesses, and to make suggestions as to consequent investment priorities by the Borough Council.

2. Background

Businesses in Eastwood, Kimberley and Stapleford have each produced an action plan in conjunction with the Council's Town Centre Management Team.

3. Detail

Appendix 1 provides a summary of suggested Council responses to the action plans, which are set out in full in Appendix 2. Appendix 3 gives further information on one of the proposed actions: Wi-Fi.

4. Financial implications

There is £30,000 remaining in the High Street Innovation Fund (HSIF) which is designated for 'bringing empty units into use'. Therefore, any activity which improves viability, appearance and visitor numbers will contribute to this objective. In addition, there is a further £3,700 available, set aside specifically for town centre management in Stapleford. The Stapleford money is the remnant of a £20,000 allocation for Stapleford made some years ago at a time when it had a significantly higher vacancy rate than the other three towns.

Members should note that both of these funds are 'one-offs' and this would suggest favouring one-off projects rather than ongoing activities requiring ongoing funding.

Beeston received a separate £10,000 HSIF allocation via the former Business Improvement District (BID) which was spent by the BID. It also has the lowest town centre vacancy rate (currently 3% compared with around 10% in the other three) - hence the focus of this report is on the other three town centres.

**Recommendation**

**The Committee is asked to:**

- 1. CONSIDER which areas to best financially support through the HSIF and the remaining allocation for Stapleford, and to RESOLVE accordingly.**
- 2. RESOLVE that the detailed allocations be delegated to the Head of Property Services in consultation with the Chair of the Committee and the relevant ward members.**

Background papers

Nil

## APPENDIX 1

During 2016 local businesses were consulted on potential improvements in each of the main town centres other than Beeston (which has received significant investment in recent years through the Beeston BID). Such improvements would utilise existing funding from the High Street Innovation Fund and some funding set aside specifically for Stapleford. The businesses suggested a wide range of activities which are set out in Appendix 2.

The funding identified above is intended as one-off funding and is not designed to support ongoing revenue activities. Of those items identified by local businesses a limited number are suitable for the application of the funds. These are summarised below.

**Eastwood**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Possible budget allocation</b>
7. Eastwood loyalty card	£1,000 for set-up costs only. Would then need to be self-funding.
9. Target new businesses for empty units to improve retail mix	Could offer say up to 5 x £2,000 grants to help with long-empty units, or 2 x £5,000 for key empty units.
10. D H Lawrence events and visitor attraction and branding	£1,000 to £5,000/year – but needs to be ongoing.
12. Funding for shop refurbishments	Part of 9.
13. Redo and expand on virtual shop displays	£2,000 (one unit) to £6,000 (three units).
<b>TOTAL (excluding Wi-Fi)</b>	<b>£3,000 to £26,000</b>
15. Wi-Fi a must for businesses in modern retail environment	£19-20,000 plus £1,500/year.

**Kimberley**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Possible budget allocation</b>
4. Run food festivals	£1,000 to £2,000/year – but needs to be ongoing. May be scope for some free events.
5. Kimberley loyalty card	£1,000 to set up but then needs to be self-funding.
6. Funding for shop refurbishments and start-ups	Could offer say up to 5 x £2,000 grants to help with long-empty units, or 2 x £5,000 for key empty units.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£2,000 to £13,000</b>

**Stapleford**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Possible budget allocation</b>
4. On line training for businesses	£1,000/year – but needs to be ongoing.
9. Paint street furniture	£2,000 to £10,000 depending on extent.
10. Improve street scene	£10,000 to £30,000 to make some impact.
11. Hanging baskets	£2,000 to £5,000/year – but needs to be ongoing.
14. Seasonal/off-seasonal events	£1,000 to £5,000/year – but needs to be ongoing. May be scope for some free events.
<b>TOTAL (excluding Wi-Fi)</b>	<b>£16,000 to £51,000</b>
3. Free wi-fi	£19-37,000 plus £1,500/year.

Members may wish to consider a strategy which spreads the funding across the three town centres and addresses at least some of the priorities in each town centre. For example: Eastwood £10,000, Kimberley £8,000, Stapleford £15,700.

Alternatively, in two of the areas, businesses requested support for the installation of Wi-Fi which could attract more people into the towns, increase the engagement between local businesses and customers and provide useful data to support targeted marketing activities. If this proposal were adopted, members could fund Wi-Fi in Eastwood or Stapleford (c. £20,000) and then spread the remaining £13,700 across the other two town centres. More detail on Wi-Fi installation is provided at Appendix 3.

**APPENDIX 2**Proposed action plans developed in consultation with local businesses**Eastwood businesses' Action Plan**

<b>Item</b>	<b>BBC officer comments</b>
1. Provide community events	Could allocate staff time and <b>possible HSIF</b> , some events can be sponsored or run commercially.
2. Bring in businesses like shoe shops	The private sector would already be offering shoe shops etc. if it was economic to do so, not generally appropriate to subsidise an individual business using public money.
3. Bring in bigger retailers	Maintain contact with the big retailers.
4. Sponsored parking tickets (parking offer)	Already agreed by Environment and Community Safety Committee, allocate staff time and <b>HSIF</b> .
5. Naming areas of Eastwood as separate colours	See 16 below.
6. Offer IT training to support retired age group to better utilise online facilities	A good thing to do, but could actually harm town centre footfall if older people shop online instead.
7. Eastwood loyalty card	Allocate staff time and <b>possible HSIF</b> .
8. Display local school artwork in shop windows	Businesses themselves should take the lead.
9. Target new businesses for empty units to improve retail mix	See 2 above in relation to the businesses, but <b>HSIF could be used</b> toward refurbishing empty units.
10. DH Lawrence events and visitor attraction and branding (use Shakespeare as a ref)	Allocate staff time and <b>possible HSIF</b> , some events can be sponsored or run commercially.
11. Eastwood light switch on	Expenditure is being reduced in Eastwood and Beeston to release funding for Kimberley and Stapleford which previously had none.
12. Funding for shop refurbishments	<b>Possible HSIF</b> but would need targeting at vacant units as not generally appropriate to subsidise an individual business using public money.
13. Redo and expand on virtual shop displays	<b>Possible HSIF</b> .
14. Size of local population	Publicise when seeking to attract new commercial activity and retailers.
15. Wi-Fi a must for businesses in modern retail environment	<b>Possible HSIF but expensive</b> .
16. Better signage promoting all of Eastwood	s.106 funding was allocated and a scheme completed earlier this financial year.
17. Better cooperation B2B (business to business)	Businesses themselves should take the lead.
18. Open one Sunday per month along with events to encourage	Businesses themselves should take the lead, but see also 1 above.

**Kimberley businesses' Action Plan**

<b>Item</b>	<b>BBC officer comments</b>
1. Improve transport links	Mostly beyond the scope of BBC as a second tier council. However, joint investment with NCC is taking place this financial year at bus stops along the Kimberley/Eastwood corridor and there are proposals to extend this to Nuthall.
2. Improve signage and advertising for Main St and James St shopping	Allocate s.106 funding.
3. Focus on 52 week needs of traders instead of annual events	Insufficient budgets available to run a continuous programme of events etc.
4. Run food festivals	Allocate staff time and <b>possible HSIF</b> , some events can be sponsored or run commercially.
5. Kimberley loyalty card	Allocate staff time and <b>possible HSIF</b> .
6. Funding for shop refurbishments and start-ups	<b>Possible HSIF</b> but would need targeting at vacant units as not generally appropriate to subsidise an individual business using public money.

**Stapleford businesses' Action Plan**

<b>High priority items</b>	<b>BBC officer comments</b>
1. Two hours fee car parking	Already considered by Environment and Community Safety Committee. Outcome was free parking on Saturday afternoons.
2. Secure funding	BBC staff will monitor opportunities and assist .
3. Free wi-fi	<b>Possible HSIF but expensive and some ongoing costs.</b>
4. On line training for businesses	<b>Possible HSIF.</b>
5. Attract new businesses	Continue to promote Stapleford.
6. Improve communication	Continue activities such as the town centre noticeboard, email me back etc.
7. Evening economy café culture	Businesses themselves should take the lead.
8. Sunday trading	Businesses themselves should take the lead.
9. Paint street furniture	<b>Possible HSIF.</b>
10. Improve street scene	<b>Possible HSIF but expensive.</b>
11. Hanging baskets	<b>Possible HSIF but expensive</b> if ongoing unless successful with sponsorship (NB. time consuming and recently stopped by the Town Council).
12. Stapleford Now website	Continue to support.
13. Social media	Continue to support.
14. Seasonal/off-seasonal events	Allocate staff time and <b>possible HSIF</b> , some events can be sponsored or run commercially.
15. Newsletter	Cheaper and probably more cost effective to use electronic media.
16. Promote farmers' market	Continue to support and promote.
17. Promote beacon businesses	Businesses themselves should take the lead.

The Stapleford town team also identified other lower priority items:

- Compact the high street
- Provide community and education services
- Convert empty retail space to housing
- Provide social and entertainment centres
- Have the library as a centre of excellence
- Healthcare facilities
- Business enterprise workshops
- Networking
- New business mentoring
- Customer service excellence
- Community social hubs
- Trees and greenery
- Remove road humps
- Provide click and collect locations
- Develop a creative quarter
- Engage community groups
- Develop a mobile phone app

## APPENDIX 3

Wi-FiPresent digital infrastructure

Currently none of Broxtowe's town centres have full free Wi-Fi coverage for the public and visitors, although certain premises do offer this service – predominantly cafes and pubs. Locally, the following town centres now offer free Wi-Fi for visitors:

- Mansfield (since 2013)
- Newark (2014)
- Worksop (2015)
- Loughborough (2016)

Benefits of free town centre Wi-Fi

**It is difficult to construct a full business case for Wi-Fi as the relationship between the investment and the impact on local businesses cannot be quantified objectively. However there are a number of potential benefits which are summarised as follows:**

- Increased dwell time in town centre, raising the likelihood of extra spend by visitors.
- Increase in footfall due to the offer of Wi-Fi with comparable town centres.
- Advertisement opportunities on splash/landing pages to bring in income.
- Access to data which would especially benefit the regeneration of a town centre and also increase data available for commercial investment. For example:
  - Understanding footfall peaks and troughs, plus the ability to identify repeat and unique visitors to the town and where they come from.
  - More in depth data can be captured through the sign up system either as new registration or through the visitor using their Facebook profile to log on.
  - 70% of customers sign up to marketing emails allowing targeted campaigns.
  - Ability to promote events in the Borough, through the gathering of email addresses etc. from registration.

Mansfield case study quotes

*“On average, over 3000 people use the network an hour at peak times, while downloads of the town centre app have doubled.”*

*“The data has been very useful for two reasons. We have been able to get a demographic overview of people using the network and therefore develop a snapshot of our shopper and resident population. This has enabled us to build events and offers around this group. We have also been able to capture email addresses, allowing us to contact them with information about town centre events and offers.”*

*“Equally, we have been able to monitor the density of Wi-Fi usage at certain nodal points, giving an overview of the areas frequented more often and key times of day. Events can be built around this data and it also flags up areas of the town that perhaps need more support and promotional activity.”*

Costs

As an initial guide, quotes have been sought for all three towns from two suppliers. One gave a generic quote of £19,000 install plus £120/month for each town (ie. £57,000 install for all three). The other quoted £20,000 install for Eastwood, £28,000 for Kimberley and £37,000 for Stapleford, all plus £100-£120 month each.

**Report of the Director of Housing, Leisure and Property Services**

**UPDATE ON KEY SITES**

1. Purpose of report

To update members of the Committee on the progress of housing sites across the Borough.

2. Background

In order to try and meet the housing targets within the Aligned Core Strategy housing delivery needs to increase. The Regeneration Manager has met with various landowners and developers in order to try to facilitate development on various sites across Broxtowe and the details of these investigations are included in the appendix.

3. Financial implications

Development on Council-owned land could lead to financial returns in the future.

**Recommendation**

**The Committee is asked to NOTE the report.**

Background papers

Nil

Regeneration Sites Update  
November 2016

Site	Progress Notes	Application Expected
Moults Yard, Stapleford	CPO in final stages of completion before being issued. Then publicised and then sent to SoS assuming no significant representations are returned. A further report on the possible implications of these works will be taken to the relevant committee in due course. However owners of the site have now engaged with the Council and partially discharged some of the pre-commencement planning conditions which may negate the need for CPO action altogether, if they act quickly.	It is hoped that building will start by the end of 2016.
Nottingham Road Eastwood	Aiming to acquire site and redevelop this prominent location. (Similar scenario with regard to 244-254 High Street, Stapleford). Working closely with Town Centre Team.	1.5 years following purchase of site after formation of housing company.
The Manor, Toton	Have had lengthy discussions with the site owners about trying to redevelop the site and since January 2016 the site has been marketed by FHP. The main issue is the proximity to a water course and the EA being unhappy about residential development without large scale flood mitigation measures. This is affecting the land price, and subsequent sale of the land. Most developers have looked at this site and then balked, based on the flooding issues. Section 215 notice served on the owners to expedite tidying of the land.	2-3 years
Cossall Industrial Estate	Latter stages of pre-application discussions with Planning with the intention of drawing up a hybrid application. This application would seek full planning permission for the parkland (former ski slope) in order to create a new country park to the rear and outline for 48 houses.	Hybrid application expected within 2-3 months.
Beamlight, Eastwood	Outline planning permission for 190 dwellings approved subject to a fair few conditions including remediating issues with regard to adjacent tip site and noise issues of both A610 and Bellwood's Foods factory. Reductions in S106 resolved following both Cabinet and Committee meetings. It is likely	The eastern site will not come forward until such time as the issue with leachate can be resolved. The western site

	that a larger application (numbers wise) will be submitted on the western site in the next few months following a change of ownership. On-going discussions are taking place with regard to resolving the land contamination issues on the larger site to the east.	has changed ownership and applications are expected later this year.
Hilltop House, Eastwood (former cash office)	Various developers keen to redevelop this site but until such time as the Police sell it on, no one can move the site on. Had positive pre-application discussions with some potential purchasers.	Site construction delayed due to the Police taking time to sell the site.
Brinsley High Street	Have spoken to all neighbours and land owners and general enthusiasm from most for redevelopment of the area. However whilst several developers have been contacted about this site and some have spoken to the site owners directly, interest is limited. This is due to the need to acquire several sites in order to make a viable scheme and the differing financial aspirations of the land owners.	Discussions on-going.
Beeston Cement Depot	Ongoing discussions with Network Rail about bringing this site forward. Network Rail are keen and have been resolving their legal issues over this site for a year or so and recently went through their internal consultation processes to which the Council responded favourably. Unfortunately it is understood that some freight operators have objected to the proposal and until this objection is removed this site cannot proceed.	Application delayed until such time as the freight companies' objection can be removed.
Wadsworth Road, Stapleford	School site is now occupied by the Haven Group who have a 3 year deal and are paying rent for it. The County Council got a planning agent involved and a small housing scheme was discussed in 2015. However the County Council do not wish to pursue this, even though the financial returns could be high. Exploring options to redevelop the old playing fields adjacent to the site. The County Council have been contacted about the potential to redevelop the adjacent fields but are yet to formally respond.	Discussions ongoing but are still awaiting a formal response from the County Council.
Neville Sadler Court	Site has been recently been sold to private developers for housing redevelopment and the final stages of the land transfer are being discussed. Developers will be contacted in due course with a view to initiate early stage planning discussions.	Discussions on-going.

Mushroom Farm	All pre-commencement conditions and legal discussions have been resolved and a recent Non Material Amendment to change the speed limit within the site from 20-30mph has been approved. There is therefore not an impediment to prevent development commencing. Supplementary deed to agreement for the S106 agreement currently being drafted by the Legal team.	Early stages of construction.
Boots	Work underway on access and S106 discussions at an advanced stage.	Reserved matters to be submitted following resolution of S106 agreement which is with the respective highway authorities. BBC has agreed to all requests regarding the content of the S106.
Kimberley Brewery	<p>Compliance of conditions on application 13/00571/LBC prior to demolition:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Details have now been submitted for the outstanding conditions 4, 5 and 6.</li> <li>• We are progressing with the consideration of conditions 4 and 5 relating to the structural survey and method statement of demolition and have raised further questions with the applicant.</li> <li>• Condition 6 – we are just awaiting confirmation from Nottinghamshire County Archives, if the data has been received.</li> </ul>	There are currently two applications pending consideration: 16/00333/REM – is the reserved matters application for the residential development of the Warehouse Yard – 25 dwellings. The application is progressing well, we have received additional information and amended plans which are being considered. 16/00334/FUL – granted condition permission.
Bartons	On-going discussions about wider redevelopment of the site with planning, with both an enquiry by design event and a public exhibition already taking place.	Hybrid application late 2016 subject to EA issues being resolved.

	<p>Technical documents are being prepared with the original intention of an application being submitted summer 2016. However resolving the sites flooding issues to the satisfaction of the Environment Agency is proving more difficult than first thought, and subsequently delaying proceedings.</p>	
BBPK	<p>Public meeting held with ward Cllrs in July 2016. Local concern regarding the Plessey Club and sports facilities which at the time were not proposed. This issue has now been addressed as detailed below.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Planning Committee have approved the scheme in principle.</li> <li>2. Discussions have taken place with ward Councillors to secure a good community provision on site.</li> <li>3. The likely jobs to be created is over 700.</li> <li>4. The provision of school expansion land assists in the delivery of the Boots application.</li> <li>5. The section 106 is expected to be reported to 7 December Planning Committee.</li> </ol> <p>In summary this is one of the most sustainable sites in the whole Borough with an excellent mixed use scheme now proposed with no unresolved obstacles to delivery. There will be a contribution to affordable housing although this will now be lower, allowing for the costs of community provision.</p>	<p>Application was reported to 12 October Planning Committee.</p>
Field Farm	<p>Reserved matters application recently refused.</p>	<p>Awaiting appeal decision.</p>
St Johns College	<p>Planning application currently being considered with main issues relating to the protected open area and conservation.</p>	<p>Determined in due course.</p>
Kimberley Caravans	<p>Discussions are on-going to try and allow the company to expand but retain them within Broxtowe.</p>	<p>Unknown.</p>
Cemex Concrete	<p>Cemex concrete are looking to downsize their operations and to that end the site in Attenborough is likely to come forward for redevelopment in the near future. Positive early stage discussions have taken place between the agent and the Regeneration Manager.</p>	<p>Early stages of discussion.</p>

Eastwood Road/ Maws Lane	Early stages of discussions with the owners of the former builders yard on Eastwood Road and the allocated housing site to the south. Discussions have been positive thus far, but very early stages with regard to moving these sites forward.	Unknown.
Brethren Meeting Hall, Beeston	Outline planning permission approved in August 2016 for 6 dwellings (indicative only). It is hoped that this may lead to a further more detailed application in due course.	Discussions ongoing.
Myfords	<p>Planning permission was granted under reference 13/0003/OUT for the redevelopment and change use of existing industrial site for residential/commercial uses (to include Classes A1; A2; A3; A4; A5; B1(a); C2; C3; and D1 uses) and the associated S106 agreement has been signed.</p> <p>Recently a new planning agent has been appointed and pre-application discussions are well underway. The main considerations being; the scale of the development fronting the road, the mix of housing and other uses on the site, the impact on adjacent properties and designing the scheme to make the best use of its prominent location.</p>	Discussions ongoing.

## Report of the Director of Legal and Planning Services

**GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM UPDATE**1. Purpose of report

To update members of the Committee on the progress made in the Geographic Information System (GIS) Officer's work.

2. Background

At Broxtowe the GIS Officer is responsible for the mapping systems and data, developing them in line with the Council's current needs and utilising them to their best potential with regard to accurate and efficient working.

Over recent years this has included work such as the Borough ward review, help with the Core Strategy and housing allocations, producing publication standard maps for Environment, involvement with the mapping and cleansing of TPO data, along with many other smaller projects, requests and day to day maintenance. Every department that uses maps has been supported, and new users identified, thereby increasing both efficiency and return on investment.

The last year has provided many opportunities and challenges within this remit and, whilst maintaining an internal system and support function, the GIS Officer has managed to expand usage and has been approached once more by other authorities both looking at best practice and requesting assistance with their own projects. Further details are included in the appendix.

3. Financial implications

Contracting out the GIS Officer would bring about some small financial returns to the Council, depending on the level of work carried out. It may also lead to further shared working opportunities with other councils.

**Recommendation**

**The Committee is asked to RESOLVE that shared working with Rushcliffe be continued, where resources allow.**

Background papers

Nil

**APPENDIX**

Over the last year various challenges have been overcome by the GIS Officer. Firstly, the withdrawal of a key software product by the GIS supplier resulted in a complete and complex reinvention of the public facing and internal mapping products. The redevelopment of 52 user applications has achieved well within timescale and achieved whilst maintaining a day to day service for important jobs including the early stages of the Part 2 Local Plan. During the launch days, one of the GIS team at Bassetlaw observed the new system and what had been achieved ahead of their own implementation later this year. The new system is an amalgamation of ArcGIS Online and Portal for ArcGIS and replaced ESRI's LocalView product which went out of support on 1 July 2016.

In September 2016 there was an ESRI Local Government User Group meeting for GIS Officers in Leeds in which a handful of recent exemplar projects were showcased. The Broxtowe Maps intranet page was used as an example of what 'can be achieved' and this page was one of the first in the country to go live with the new system. Essentially, Broxtowe Borough Council was showcased nationally as an excellent example of what can be achieved and this fact should be celebrated.

The GIS Officer has submitted a case study to Ordnance Survey on the methodology of our Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment work, which takes a highly scientific approach to the assessment of sites utilising the potential of our GIS. These case studies are used as evidence of good practice and showcased on the Ordnance Survey's website for other authorities to obtain ideas from, in both GIS and the use of mapping data.

Earlier this year the regional representative on the Public Sector Mapping Agreement User Representative Group (PURG) retired. The Council's GIS Officer was elected by her peers in other authorities to represent the East of England on PURG, a technical working group that ensures the public sector is making best use of the national agreement and suggesting its direction. PURG reports to a strategic group who then report directly to ministers.

Further to this, following on from excellent work that was undertaken to help Rushcliffe Borough Council digitise polling districts and deal with the implications of its ward review in 2014, Rushcliffe has requested further help with the ramifications from the county ward review this year. This work brings with it a small income for Broxtowe as the work is chargeable at the GIS Officer's hourly rate.

## Report of the Chair of the Jobs and Economy Committee

**WORK PROGRAMME**1. Purpose of report

To consider items for inclusion in the Work Programme for future meetings.

2. Background

Items which have already been suggested for inclusion in the Work Programme of future meetings are given below. Members are asked to consider any additional items that they may wish to see in the Programme.

3. Work Programme

26 January 2017	Local Plan Part 2 Update Update on Economic Regeneration Strategy
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4. Dates of future meetings

The following additional dates for future meetings have been agreed:

- 16 March 2017

(All meetings to start at 7.00 pm)

**Recommendation**

**The Committee is asked to consider the Work Programme and RESOLVE accordingly.**

Background papers

Nil