



6 March 2017

Dear Sir/Madam

A meeting of the Leisure and Environment Committee will be held on Tuesday, 14 March 2017 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: J S Briggs L A Lally
 S J Carr P J Owen
 R H Darby M E Plackett (Vice Chair)
 S Easom (Chair) C H Rice
 H G Khaled MBE 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.

3. MINUTES PAGES 1 – 2

The Committee is asked to confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 31 January 2017.

4. PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT – REVIEW OF BUSINESS PLAN PROGRESS – ENVIRONMENT PAGES 3 – 9

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

5. PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT – REVIEW OF BUSINESS PLAN PROGRESS – LIBERTY LEISURE PAGES 10 – 14

To report progress against outcome targets identified in the Liberty Leisure Business Plan that provides continuity of projects and performance from the existing Council run Leisure and Cultural Services through to the formation of Liberty Leisure.

6. BROXTOWE PARKS STANDARD PAGES 15 – 19

To update members on the outcome of the site assessments relating to the Broxtowe Parks Standard.

7. SMITHURST ROAD PLAY AREA SECTION 106 FUNDING PAGE 20

To advise the Committee of Section 106 funding paid by the developer at the Smithurst Road housing development at Giltbrook.

8. BROADGATE PARK PLAY AREA PAGE 21

To advise the Committee of additional funding for work at Broadgate Park, Beeston.

9. GROWTH POINT FUNDING – WETLAND LANDSCAPES FOR ALL PAGE 22

To advise the Committee of the success in securing funding for work at Brinsley Headstocks, Hall om Wong Open Space, Kimberley and Toton Fields Open Space Local Nature Reserves.

10. WORK PROGRAMME

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

11. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

The Committee is asked to RESOLVE that, under Section 100A of the Local Government Act, 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

12. CONTRACT FOR WEED CONTROL SERVICES

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13. AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR THE SUPPLY OF AGENCY PERSONNEL

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LEISURE AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

31 JANUARY 2017

Present: S Easom, Chair

Councillors: J S Briggs
S J Carr
R H Darby
D A Elliott
R I Jackson
P J Owen
M E Plackett
R S Robinson

An apology for absence was received from Councillor C H Rice.

38. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 10 January 2017 were confirmed and signed.

39. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

40. BRING SITE VICTORIA STREET CAR PARK – STAPLEFORD

The Committee considered the removal of the Bring Site at Victoria Street Car Park, Stapleford. A representative of the residents living on Victoria Street addressed the Committee and expressed their concerns regarding the bring site.

It was noted that a kerb side glass collection was provided by the Council to Victoria Street allowing residents to continue to recycle glass waste. Additionally, members considered it appropriate to set in place an exit strategy to redirect members of the public to alternative recycling methods once the site had been removed.

RESOLVED that option 2 be approved and the Bring Site at Victoria Street Car Park be removed.

41. BUSINESS PLANS AND FINANCIAL ESTIMATES 2017/18 – 2019/20

The Committee noted the proposals for business plans, detailed revenue budget estimates for 2017/18, capital programme for 2017/18 to 2019/20 and proposed fees and charges for 2017/18 in respect of the Council's priority areas.

It was noted that a new proposal was being sort in respect of two new leisure centre sites being established. The investigation into these proposals was being undertaken by the consultants, Continuum. It was agreed that the outcome of the investigation would be reported back to the appropriate Committee. Additionally, upon the advice of the Council's financial advisors it has been deemed appropriate that Liberty Leisure pay for its utility cost.

Members queried as to whether trade waste was being considered as an area of growth. It was reported that the trade waste remained consistent across the Borough and continued to produce a stable source of income.

RESOLVED that the attached Liberty Leisure, Bereavement Services and Environment Business Plans be approved.

RECOMMENDED that the Finance and Resources Committee recommends to Council that the following be approved:

- a) **The detailed revenue budget estimates for 2016/17 (revised) and 2017/18 (base) including any revenue development submissions.**
- b) **The capital programme for 2017/18 to 2019/20.**
- c) **The fees and charges for 2017/18.**

42. WORK PROGRAMME

RESOLVED that the work programme be approved.

Joint report of the Chief Executive and the Deputy Chief Executive

**PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT – REVIEW OF BUSINESS PLAN
PROGRESS – ENVIRONMENT**1. Purpose of report

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

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 the 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 Environment 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 the appendix.

Recommendation

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

Background papers

Nil

APPENDIX

PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT

1. Background - Corporate Plan

The 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 Environment were approved by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 1 and 3 February 2016.

The Council's priority for Environment is that 'The environment in Broxtowe will be protected and enhanced for future generations'. Its objectives are to:

- Reduce litter and fly tipping to make Broxtowe cleaner (En1)
- Maintain and improve the green infrastructure of Broxtowe (En2)
- Increase recycling, composting, renewables and energy efficiency projects as resources allow and reduce residual waste (En3).






The Business Plans detail the projects and activities undertaken in support of the Corporate Plan 2016-2020 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

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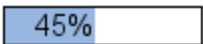

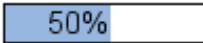

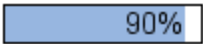




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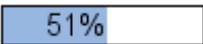










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Environment Key Tasks and Priorities for Improvement 2016/17

























Status Icon	Covalent Code	Action Title	Action Description	Progress Bar	Due Date	Comments
	ENV1417_02	Increase the trade waste business	Achieve a 10% increase in the number of trade businesses served by the Council's refuse and recycling section.		31-Mar-2017	To date there has been a 4.5% increase in trade waste contracts (33 businesses). The target date amended as the work is ongoing.
	ENV1417_04	Community engagement	Community engagement to achieve the corporate recycling target of 50% by 2016		31-Mar-2018	The Communication Plan is ongoing. However with reduction in resources the actions within the plan have had to be prioritised. This action has been revised and is included in the Waste Strategy agreed by Environment and Community Safety on 24 November 2016. Due date revised from 31 March 2018.
	ENV1417_05	Promote channel shift to new methods of communication	Promote channel shift from traditional techniques of communication to electronic IT digital means i.e. self-serve, mobile phone apps and text.		31-Mar-2017	Broxtowe App has been introduced. The current usage data for garden waste subscriptions payments is online 63% (Target 70%), phone 24% and face-to-face 13%. Due date revised from 31 March 2016.
	ENV1518_01	Review the Carbon Management Plan	Review of the Carbon Management Plan		31-Oct-2017	Provisional data indicates 4% reduction from 2014/15 to 2015/16. The review is delayed from March until Autumn 2017.
	ENV1518_05	Council Waste Strategy	Review and update the Council's Waste Strategy		31-Dec-2016	The Environment and Community Safety Committee approved the Waste Strategy 2016-2020 on 24 November 2016.

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	ENV1620_01	Provision of commercial cleansing and waste disposal services.	Provision of commercial cleansing and waste disposal services.		31-Mar-2018	Approximate cost of weighbridge acquired. Cost benefit analysis to be undertaken to determine if there is a case for investing in a weighbridge. Due date revised from March 2017.
	ENV1620_02	Refuse rescheduling	Refuse rescheduling		30-Sept-2017	Revised collection rounds have been prepared and are being discussed with staff. Due date revised from 30 June 2017.
	ENV1620_03	Implement the actions identified within the Waste Strategy	Implement the actions identified within the Waste Strategy		31-Mar-2020	Actions 2016 through to 2020 have been identified within the Waste Strategy. Some actions have begun to be implemented but there is no clear means of quantifying progress at this early stage (the Strategy was approved in November 2016). More detailed analysis will be provided in Qtr 4.
	ENV1620_04	Franchises and licensing within Parks and Open Spaces	Franchises and licensing within Parks and Open Spaces		31-Mar-2020	New franchises for hot food sales taking place within parks. Partnership set up with local football club to maximise income from park usage. Income from April to December 2016 is £ 2,070 from an annual agreement.
	ENV1316_06	Local measurable quality standard for parks and open spaces	Develop a new measurable quality standard for parks and open spaces in the Borough		31-Mar-2017	Consultation and site assessments ongoing.
	ENV1620_08	Investors in the Environment Audit 2017	Annual Audit for Investors in the Environment accreditation		31-Jan-2017	On hold due to resource availability.

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	GREEN1114_05	Review the Climate Change / Travel Plan	Review the Climate Change/Travel Plan	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 20px; background-color: #e0e0e0; position: relative;"> 50% </div>	31-Mar-2017	Action to be revised by combining Climate Change Plan/Travel Plan with Carbon Management Plan when it is reviewed. Due Date revised from December 2016.
	PLACE0912_11	Improve play areas and sports facilities at Parks and Open Spaces	Improve play areas and sports facilities at Parks and Open Spaces	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 20px; background-color: #0070c0; color: white; font-weight: bold; text-align: center;">97%</div>	31-Mar-2018	New play equipment installed Beeston Fields and Ilkeston Road Recreation Grounds. External funding bid being prepared for Broadgate Park Play area.

Environment Key Performance Indicators 2016/17

Status Icon	PI Code & Short Name	2015/16 Outturn	2016/17 Q3	Annual Target	Short Term Trend	Long Term Trend	Notes
	BV82a(ii) Tonnes of Household Waste Recycled	8,611	6,708	8,759			The recycling rate has remained at a similar rate throughout this year. The tonnage collected in quarter 3 was less than the target of 6, 827 for this period.
	BV82b(ii) Tonnes of household waste composted	7,360	6,774	6,741			Annual Target exceeded in Quarter 3.
	BV84a Household waste collected per head, in kilos	355	283.0	346.8			Q3 figures are an estimate as not all information is available.
	NI 185 Percentage CO2 reduction from local authority operations	5%	n/k	2%			Estimated saving for 2015/16 is 4.77% but the estimate appears high so audit of figures being undertaken. In 2017 report of CO2 emissions will be based on DECC GHG criteria.

Status Icon	PI Code & Short Name	2015/16 Outturn	2016/17 Q3	Annual Target	Short Term Trend	Long Term Trend	Notes
	NI 191 Residual household waste per household (Kgs)	461.4	365.9	465.3			Q3 figures are an estimate as not all information is available.
	NI 195b Improved street and environmental cleanliness (levels of litter, detritus, graffiti and fly posting): Detritus	4%	5%	4%			Score usually decrease in the winter month's survey.
	WMDData_03b Number of garden waste subscriptions	17,782	18,899	18,162			Subscriptions complete for 2016/17 – well in excess of target. New year subscriptions to begin in January 2017.
	WMDData_03c Income generated by Garden Waste Subscriptions	£552,478	n/a	£550,000			This is reported annually. Income from April to December 2016 is £581,640.
	WMDData_06a Income generated through Trade Waste (0,00s)	£475,210	n/a	£509,400			This is reported annually. Income from April to December 2016 is £521,000. The revised base budget for 2016/17 is £512,000.
	WMDData_08 Income generated through Street Scene	-	n/a	-			This is reported annually. Income from April to December 2016 is £5,000.
	WMDData_09 Income generated through refurbishment of bins	-	n/a	-			This is reported annually. In the year to date 278 bins reissued after cleansing and repair which savings of £ 3,451. These savings are derived from the difference between the cost of supplying and distributing a second-hand bin as opposed to brand new bins.
	PSLocal_02 Number of Green Flags / Community Green Flags	5	-	5			Brinsley Headstocks added 2015/16.

Report of the Managing Director Liberty Leisure

**PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT – REVIEW OF BUSINESS PLAN
PROGRESS – LIBERTY LEISURE**1. Purpose of report

To report progress against outcome targets identified in the Liberty Leisure Business Plan that provides continuity of projects and performance from the existing Council run Leisure and Cultural Services through to the formation of Liberty Leisure.

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 the Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 1 and 3 February 2016.

The Council established a new Local Authority Trading Company, Liberty Leisure Limited on 1 October 2016 to deliver an efficient leisure and culture service. The company is required to contribute to the Council's Corporate Plan 2016-2020 priorities and objectives relating to Health.

3. Performance management

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This quarterly report is intended to provide this Committee with an overview of progress towards Corporate Plan priorities from the perspective of the Liberty Leisure 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 the appendix.

Recommendation

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

Background papers

Nil

APPENDIX

PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT

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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 Council's new Local Authority Trading Company, Liberty Leisure Limited is guided by the Service Agreement and its company strategies. These documents align the work of Liberty Leisure with other local, regional and national plans to ensure the company's work contributes to wider objectives. These include the Council's Corporate Plan that prioritises local community needs and resources are directed toward the things they think are most important. These needs are aligned to ensure the ambitions set out in the Council's Corporate Plan are realistic and achievable.

2. Business Plans

The Liberty Leisure Business Plan links to the Council's corporate priority of Health that was approved by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 1 and 3 February 2016. The Council's priority for Health is 'People in Broxtowe enjoy longer, active and healthy lives'. Its objectives are to:

- Increase the number of people who have active lifestyles (He1)
- Work with partners to improve the health of the local population (He2)
- Reduce alcohol related harm in Broxtowe (He3)






The Liberty Leisure Business Plan details the projects and activities undertaken in support of the Corporate Plan 2016-2020 for each the Health priority area. The business plan covers a three-year period but will be revised and updated annually. A suite of milestones and Key Performance Indicators (KPI) will be used to monitor progress against key tasks and targets. During the first full trading year of the company a thorough review of the performance monitoring will be undertaken to identify more relevant KPIs, to refine targets and to ensure reporting to the Council is relevant, consistent and manageable.









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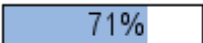



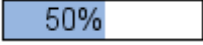





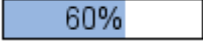
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Liberty Leisure Key Tasks and Priorities for Improvement 2016/17

Status Icon	Covalent Code	Action Title	Action Description	Progress Bar	Due Date	Comments
	BPT1417_K01	Maintain quality of child and youth fitness provision	Procure replacement equipment for Vibe Youth Gym at 5 year replacement point		31-Dec-2017	Waiting for capital funding.
	BPT1518_A01	Review current annual events programme	Implement a new borough wide programme of events		30-Sep-2018	Consultation on the event programme is underway.
	BPT1518_G01	Planning and preparation for new leisure centres	Planning and preparation for new leisure centres		30-Sep-2017	A meeting is scheduled for 20 March 2017 with the consultants who originally wrote the Leisure Facilities Strategy.
	HE1620_B01	Refurbish Health Suite at Bramcote Leisure Centre	Refurbish Health Suite at Bramcote Leisure Centre		30-Jun-2017	Capital funding has been agreed and plans are being finalised.
	HE1620_B02	Continue to operate efficiently at Bramcote Leisure Centre	Continue to operate efficiently at Bramcote Leisure Centre		31-Mar-2017	The service contract for the CHP unit has been extended as an alternative to complete new purchase.
	HE1620_G01	Business Plan for Local Authority Trading Company	Business Plan for Local Authority Trading Company		31-Jul-2016	Liberty Leisure began operating from 1 October 2017.
	HE1620_G03	Develop channel shift and digital access opportunities	Develop channel shift and digital access opportunities		30-Apr-2017	A new leisure bookings app has been purchased and will be ready to go live on by 30 April 2017.

Liberty Leisure Key Performance Indicators 2016/17

Status Icon	PI Code & Short Name	2015/16 Outturn	2016/17 Q3	Annual Target	Short Term Trend	Long Term Trend	Notes
	LLLocal_B01 Bramcote LC – No. of visits per 1,000 population	5,686	4,646	5,750			Data is profiled and it is anticipated that high usage in the last quarter will result in targets being met.
	LLLocal_B02 Bramcote LC – Subsidy per head per visit	-£0.13	n/k	-£0.13			Targets updated on creation of Liberty Leisure Business Plan. Data from APSE not yet available.
	LLLocal_B03 Bramcote LC – Operational Recovery Ratio	105.4%	n/k	105%			Nationally, the operational recovery ratio for similar leisure centres has remained static.
	LLLocal_C01 Chilwell Olympia SC – No. of visits per 1,000 population	3,546	2,554	3,517			Data is profiled and it is anticipated that high usage in the last quarter will result in targets being met.
	LLLocal_C02 Chilwell Olympia SC – Subsidy per head per visit	£0.38	n/k	£0.36			Targets updated on creation of Liberty Leisure Business Plan. Data from APSE not yet available.
	LLLocal_C03 Chilwell Olympia: Operational Recovery Ratio	75.8%	-	77%			Nationally, the operational recovery ratio for similar leisure centres has remained static.
	LSLocal_H02 Subsidy per head per visit	£17.45	-	£68.00			Targets updated on creation of Liberty Leisure Business Plan. Data from APSE not yet available.
	LLLocal_K01 Kimberley LC – No. of visits per 1000 population	5,453	3,707	5,155			Pool closed for 2 and 1/2 weeks in December. Gym closed for 9 days for refurbishment
	LSLocal_K02 Kimberley LC – Subsidy per head per visit	£0.27	-	£0.26			Targets updated on creation of Liberty Leisure Business Plan.
	LSLocal_K03 Kimberley LC – Operational Recovery Ratio	87.2%	-	89%			Nationally the operational recovery ratio for similar leisure centres has remained static

Report of the Deputy Chief Executive

BROXTOWE PARKS STANDARD1. Purpose of report

To update members on the outcome of the site assessments relating to the Broxtowe Parks Standard.

2. Background and detail

The Corporate Plan 2016-2020 has, as one of its priorities, to protect and enhance the environment for future generations. One of the targets associated with this priority is that 100% of parks and open spaces will achieve the Broxtowe Parks Standard. This standard was agreed by Cabinet in 2014. Having a uniform standard across all the sites is seen as a fair and positive way of improving the quality and visitor experience of the parks and open spaces. Appendix 1 details the questions asked as part of this standard and other matters that are assessed.

Since the standard was approved the sites have been assessed on a number of occasions and a report to Cabinet in April 2016 identified four sites that had still not achieved the standard. Appendix 2 details these sites together with the outcome of their reassessments in autumn 2016. In addition appendix 2 lists the outcomes of a sample assessment of 25% of the sites that previously achieved the standard to make sure they were still achieving the quality targets.

3. Financial implications

No costings have been included in this report but the issues identified as part of the site assessments have been included in the list of priorities submitted to this Committee in the Parks and Open Spaces report on 22 November 2016. In respect of the two parks identified in appendix 2 as not meeting the standard, the report of 22 November included estimated capital spend of £30,000 for Redbridge Drive open space to bring the facilities at the site up to the required standard. No capital costs were identified for Central Avenue, Stapleford.

The capacity for undertaking capital works is dependent on the availability of capital resources, the success of external funding applications or the use of Section 106 contributions, either currently available or to be received from future developments.

Recommendation

The Committee is asked to NOTE the report and the issues identified.

Background papers

Nil

APPENDIX 1

BROXTOWE PARKS STANDARD ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

Site Assessment

1. How welcoming is the park?
2. How effective is signage?
3. Standard of cleanliness
4. How clean is the site in terms of dog fouling?
5. Accessibility
6. Standard of grass cutting
7. Standard of shrub beds/flower beds maintenance
8. Standard of the tree maintenance
9. Play facilities provided
10. Sports facilities provided
11. How are the issues with violence and anti-social behaviour dealt with?
12. Nature and wildlife management
13. Overall impression of the park/open space

Options

Very good/very well

Good/Well

Fair

Poor/not very well

Very poor/not at all

Don't know/not applicable

APPENDIX 2

BROXTOWE PARKS STANDARD ASSESSMENTS – AUTUMN 2016Sites failing to achieve the Broxtowe Parks Standard in 2016

To achieve the Broxtowe Parks Standard, sites must score at least 85% of marks in the fair and above category and at least 45% of marks in the good and above category. The table below shows what was achieved in 2015.

Less than 85% Fair and Above

All sites in 2015 achieved this part of the standard.

Less than 45% Good and Above

Leyton Crescent Recreation Ground, Beeston	40%
Redbridge Drive Open Space, Nuthall	37%
Central Avenue Recreation Ground, Stapleford	37%
Ilkeston Road Recreation Ground, Stapleford	35%

Analysis of the 2016 Survey Work

In autumn 2016 the four sites failing to achieve the Broxtowe Parks Standard were reassessed together with 8 other sites selected at random across the borough. These figures together with the previous assessments in 2013 and 2015 are shown below. The scores are a combination of consultation responses and officer assessments.

Area	Name of site	Fair & Above 2013	Good & Above 2013	Fair & Above 2015	Good & Above 2015	Fair & Above 2016	Good & Above 2016
Awsworth	The Lane Recreation Ground	93% P	56% P	Not assessed	Not assessed	100% P	54% P
Beeston	Leyton Crescent Recreation Ground	93% P	32% F	87% P	40% F	92% P	46% P
Bramcote	King Georges Park	96% P	49% P	Not assessed	Not assessed	100% P	53% P
Brinsley	Brinsley Recreation Ground	97% P	71% P	Not assessed	Not assessed	100% P	92% P
Chilwell	Cator Lane Recreation Ground	97% P	70% P	Not assessed	Not assessed	100% P	82% P
Greasley	Beauvale Park Recreation Ground	94% P	72% P	Not assessed	Not assessed	100% P	62% P
Nuthall	Redbridge	82% F	45% P	99% P	37% F	100% P	39% F

	Drive Open Space*						
Stapleford	Central Avenue Recreation Ground *	83% F	49% P	85% P	37% F	82% F	46% P
Stapleford	Ilkeston Road Recreation Ground	74% F	38% F	85% P	35% F	91% P	83% P
Toton	Manor Farm Recreation Ground	95% P	66% P	Not assessed	Not assessed	100% P	85% P
Trowell	Pit Lane Recreation Area	88% P	54% P	Not assessed	Not assessed	92% P	75% P
Watnall	Watnall Green	88% P	45% P	Not assessed	Not assessed	100% P	90% P

F = Fail

P = Pass

* = Sites failing to achieve the Broxtowe Parks Standard in 2016. Based on this round of assessments there are only 2 sites failing to achieve the Broxtowe Parks Standard.

Less than 85% Fair and Above

Central Avenue, Stapleford 82%

Less than 45% Good and Above

Redbridge Drive Open Space, Nuthall 39%

Site Specific Comments on the 12 Sites Assessed

The Lane Recreation Ground, Awworth – consistent scoring across both assessments.

Leyton Crescent Recreation Ground, Beeston – gradual improvement and now achieves the standard for the first time. Still concerns regarding the quality of play provision and a funding bid is currently in progress.

King Georges Park, Bramcote – consistent scoring across both assessments. Another site where the play area is in need of upgrading.

Brinsley Recreation Ground, Brinsley – very high scoring at both assessments, particularly in the good and above category.

Cator Lane Recreation Ground – very high scoring at both assessments, particularly in the good and above category.

Beauvale Park Recreation Ground, Greasley – consistent scoring across both assessments.

Redbridge Drive Open Space – a site that has failed to achieve the standard on the 3 assessments. The main issue here is the need for additional play equipment. It is only a small site with limited potential for major changes.

Central Avenue Recreation Ground, Stapleford – again a site that has failed to achieve the standard on the 3 assessments. Concerns here about anti-social behaviour and the need to increase the frequency of maintenance visits. Again it is only a very small site that has limited use when compared to other outdoor recreational facilities in the area.

Ilkeston Road Recreation Ground, Stapleford – having failed to achieve the standard on the previous 2 assessments there has been a marked improvement here with the site now comfortably achieving the standard. This change is as a result of the refurbished play area and new path around the perimeter of the site following successful bids for external funding.

Manor Farm Recreation Ground, Toton – an improvement on the 2013 score reflecting the access and interpretation work undertaken on the site.

Pit Lane Recreation Area, Trowell – another site that has seen an improvement on the 2013 score. This reflects the local Nature Reserve Status of the site and the access improvements.

Watnall Green, Watnall – following a successful bid for funding for habitat and access improvements there has been a significant positive change in the score for the site.

It is now proposed to undertake further consultation and site assessments in 2017 to monitor on-going performance. This will include a further sample 25% of the sites that achieved the standard in 2013 and have not been assessed since.

Report of the Deputy Chief Executive

SMITHURST ROAD PLAY AREA SECTION 106 FUNDING1. Purpose of report

To advise the Committee of Open Spaces Section 106 funding paid by the developer at the Smithurst Road housing development at Giltbrook.

2. Background

The Section 106 for this site required the developer to pay the Council £36,500 to be used for the upgrading of the Council's play area adjacent to the site. Work has commenced on the construction of 91 houses and funding has been received that will be used to provide additional equipment for a full range of ages from under 5 to early teens. This play area was identified as a priority site in the list of schemes submitted as part of the Play Area report to the Leisure, Parks and Cemeteries Committee on 6 September 2016.

The work is scheduled to be undertaken in late spring.

3. Financial implications

The full allocation of £36,500 will be used for the scheme and will be included in the capital programme. There are no revenue implications as the maintenance of the site is already included within the open spaces revenue budget.

Recommendation

The Committee is asked to RESOLVE that a supplementary capital estimate of £36,500, funded from the Section 106 payment, for the refurbishment of the play area at Smithurst Road, Giltbrook be approved.

Background papers

Nil

Report of the Deputy Chief Executive

BROADGATE PARK PLAY AREA

1. Purpose of report

To advise the Committee of additional funding for work at Broadgate Park, Beeston.

2. Background

As part of the Council's Modernisation Partner United Living's commitment to fund community/leisure projects in the Borough, £8,000 has been provided towards refurbishment of the play area at Broadgate Park in Beeston.

In 2016 all play areas in the Borough were scored using the Fields in Trust play area assessment criteria and Broadgate Park was found to be the most in need of refurbishment. This finding was reported to the Leisure Parks and Cemeteries Committee on 6 September 2016.

It is proposed to use the £8,000 as match funding towards a larger bid to the Landfill Communities Fund to completely renovate the area. The funding bid will be in partnership with the Beeston Civic Society.

3. Financial implications

Maintenance of the play area is included in the Beeston Parks revenue budget. Therefore, there are no additional revenue implications.

Recommendation

The Committee is asked to RESOLVE that a supplementary capital estimate of £8,000 for play area improvements at Broadgate Park in Beeston be approved.

Background papers

Nil

Report of the Deputy Chief Executive

GROWTH POINT FUNDING – WETLAND LANDSCAPES FOR ALL1. Purpose of report

To advise the Committee of the success in securing funding for work at Brinsley Headstocks, Hall om Wong Open Space, Kimberley and Toton Fields Open Space Local Nature Reserves.

2. Background

In partnership with the Nottingham Wildlife Trust three applications were submitted to the 6C's New Growth Point Partnership under the title Wetland Landscapes for All. The Council has been advised that all three bids were successful with £11,000 allocated to Hall om Wong, £13,000 allocated to Toton Fields and £4,000 allocated to Brinsley Headstocks.

All three sites are Local Nature Reserves and form strategic elements of the Green Infrastructure in Broxtowe. They are popular with walkers and wildlife enthusiasts. The funding is to undertake a variety of habitat and access improvements on the three sites. The bids were based on previous consultation with Friends Groups and users of the sites. The funding allocated has to be used for the specific projects as detailed below.

- Brinsley Headstocks - creation of pond and wetland scrapes adjacent the brook.
- Hall om Wong - surfacing the main North/South path through the site and improving the clay lining to the wildlife pond.
- Toton Fields - improving path surfaces and creating wetland scrapes at strategic locations throughout the site.

3. Financial implications

There are no additional revenue implications as the maintenance of the sites is included in the Open Spaces revenue budget.

Recommendation

The Committee is asked to RESOLVE that supplementary capital estimates of £13,000 for works at Toton Fields, £11,000 for works at Hall om Wong and £4,000 for works at Brinsley Headstocks be approved.

Background papers

Nil

Report of the Director of Legal and Planning Services

WORK PROGRAMME1. 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.

14 June 2017	Trade Waste Review
	Events Programme

3. Dates of future meetings

The following additional dates for future meetings have been agreed:

- 27 September 2017
- 15 November 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