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**Monday, 9 March 2020**

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**Councillor L Brailsford  
Councillor S Carlton  
Councillor M Cope  
Councillor D Cumberlidge  
Councillor Mrs G Dawn  
Councillor P Harris  
Councillor Mrs L Hurst  
Councillor B Laughton  
Councillor J Lee  
Councillor Mrs Y Woodhead**

**Substitute Members:**

**Councillor M Skinner  
Councillor T Smith  
Councillor L Goff  
Councillor N Mitchell  
Councillor M Brock  
Councillor Mrs I Brown**

**MEETING: Leisure & Environment Committee**

**DATE: Tuesday, 17 March 2020 at 6.00 pm**

**VENUE: Civic Suite, Castle House, Great North Road,  
Newark, Notts, NG24 1BY**

**You are hereby requested to attend the above Meeting to be held at the time/place  
and on the date mentioned above for the purpose of transacting the  
business on the Agenda as overleaf.**

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## NEWARK AND SHERWOOD DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of **Leisure & Environment Committee** held in the Civic Suite, Castle House, Great North Road, Newark, Notts, NG24 1BY on Tuesday, 21 January 2020 at 6.00 pm.

PRESENT: Councillor R Jackson (Chairman)  
Councillor N Mison (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor L Brailsford, Councillor S Carlton, Councillor D Cumberlidge,  
Councillor P Harris, Councillor Mrs L Hurst, Councillor B Laughton,  
Councillor J Lee and Councillor Mrs Y Woodhead

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Councillor L Goff and Councillor Mrs P Rainbow

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Councillor M Cope (Committee Member) and Councillor Mrs G Dawn (Committee Member)

### 43 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS AND OFFICERS AND AS TO THE PARTY WHIP

Councillors S Carlton declared a personal interest in Agenda Items 6 – Active4Today Final Business Plan and Performance, as he was a Board Member for Active4Today.

### 44 DECLARATION OF ANY INTENTIONS TO RECORD THE MEETING

The Chairman informed the Committee that the Council was undertaking an audio recording of the meeting and live screening on social media was being broadcast.

### 45 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 19 NOVEMBER 2019

AGREED that the Minutes of the meeting held on 19 November 2019, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

### 46 LEISURE & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REVENUE BUDGET 2020/21

The Committee considered the report presented by the Business Manager-Financial Services, which sought feedback from the Leisure & Environment Committee on the proposed general fund revenue budget for the 2020/21 financial year 1 April 2020 – 31 March 2021, for those services which fell under its remit. It also sought feedback on the scale of proposed fees & charges for 2020/21 or those services which fell under its remit. Approval was also sought for the 2020/21 base budget as detailed in Appendix A to the report, which would be recommended to the Policy & Finance Committee at its meeting on 20 February 2020 for inclusion in the overall council budget; and to seek approval for the 2020/21 fees & charges as detailed in Appendix D to the report, which was also recommended to Policy & Finance Committee at its meeting on 20 February 2020 and Council at its meeting on 9 March 2020.

Members asked the following questions:

The Business Manager-Financial Services confirmed that there had been a restructure in the waste team and a new post entitled Community Liaison Officer in the Community Relations Team. A written answer would be circulated to Members of the Committee.

Appendix B – Budget Summary by Committee- Subjective, sets the charges. How often the services levied, as are contained in Appendix D – Proposed 2020/21 Fees & Charges – Leisure and Environment Committee and how frequently are other services levied?

The Business Manager Financial Services confirmed that market conditions were taken into account when the fees and charges were compiled. Officers make assumptions as to what the budgets will be, the actual figures would occur during the financial year. Information regarding this would be reported back to a future meeting of the Committee.

The naming and numbering fee at £30 per plot appeared high?

The Business Manager-Financial Services confirmed that the fee did not just reflect the hourly rate of the Officer, it also included the reclaim of associated overheads relating to the service. The Economic Development Committee at their November meeting reviewed the policy for Fees and Charges. The Chairman asked for an update regarding how the fees and charges are compiled and historic charges.

A Member sought clarification regarding stray dog prices. Prices charged for stray dog collection were very low, £75 initial charge and £8 per day kennel fee. The Member commented that this charge was cheaper than kennel fees and questioned why the fees were so low.

The Business Manager-Financial Services confirmed that a written response would be provided to Members of the Committee.

AGREED (unanimously) that:

- (a) Written responses be circulated to Members of the Committee regarding the following questions raised:
  - i. Staff costs had increased by £143,000 where have the extra costs come from?
  - ii. Appendix B – Budget Summary by Committee- Subjective, sets the charges. How often are the services levied, as are contained in Appendix D – Proposed 2020/21 Fees & Charges – Leisure and Environment Committee and how frequently are other services levied? An update report to a future meeting of the Committee.
  - iii. The Chairman asked for an update regarding how the fees and charges are compiled and historic charges.
  - iv. A Member sought clarification regarding stray dog prices. Prices charged for stray dog collection were very low, £75 initial charge and £8 per day kennel fee. The Member commented that this charge was cheaper than kennel fees and questioned why the fees were so low.

- (b) the following recommendations be made to Policy & Finance Committee at its meeting on 20 February 2020:
- i. the 2020/21 base budget in Appendix A for inclusion in the overall Council budget; and
  - ii. to Council on 9 March 2020 the 2020/21 fees & charges in Appendix D.

47 ACTIVE4TODAY FINAL BUSINESS PLAN AND PERFORMANCE

The Committee considered the report presented by the Health Improvement and Community Relations Manager which presented the Active4Today Business Plan 2020/21 and the latest performance report to the end of November 2019 for approval. The Managing Director Active4Today was also in attendance and answered Members questions.

The report detailed the overview of performance; financial overview; the Business Plan 2020/21 which was appended to the report; and Southwell Leisure Centre Trust.

A Member commented that whilst the Newark Sports and Fitness Centre offered great facilities he was disappointed that children's fees would be increased. It was felt small increases would be a challenge to some families and would like to see all prices for children under £5 to keep fees manageable. The Managing Director Active4Today confirmed that it was a balancing act trying to encourage people to use facilities which were value for money, whilst covering costs. Pay and play sessions did encourage people onto memberships and this was a first increase for children's fees since 2015.

A Member commented on the decline in Sports Development in deprived areas and asked how that was being addressed. The Managing Director Active4Today confirmed that there was two reasons for the decline in numbers. The first was the reduction of staff over the last four months, programmes had been reduced due to staff shortages. The second reason was that the Sports Development Team do not generally deliver sessions they facilitate them through the voluntary and community sports club network, and they don't record participant numbers when the clubs assume responsibility as the sessions no longer belong to Active4Today.

A Member sought clarification regarding the Capital Charges and where those Capital Charges were located as they were not in the business plan. The Business Manager Financial Services confirmed that the Capital Charges were shown in the budget presented to the Policy & Finance Committee. The Member asked for the Capital Charges for the Leisure Centre up to the end of the year. The Business Manager Financial Services confirmed that information would be circulated to Members of the Committee.

A Member commented that there was no information in the Business Plan regarding the income raised through vending machines in situ in the leisure centres. The Managing Director Active4Today confirmed that Active4Today did not take commission from the vending machines, they were there for the convenience of the customer. The Member commented that if the vending machines were infrequently

used they should not be there as it was promoting unhealthy food. The Chairman confirmed that this could be assessed in the future.

AGREED (unanimously) that:

- (a) the Active4Today Business Plan 2020/21 be approved;
- (b) performance to Period 8 (November) be noted;
- (c) Active4Today presents its 2019/20 draft accounts by early April 2020 in order that the Director – Communities and Environment, with delegated approval, can agree what level of contribution is made to the Company, if any, for 19/20 based on the outturn position;
- (d) the full year financial position be reported to the June Committee; and
- (e) the Capital Charges for the Leisure Centre up to the end of the year be circulated to Members of the Committee.

#### 48 GARDEN WASTE UPDATE

The Committee considered the report presented by the Business Manager Transport & Waste Services which provided a progress update for bringing the Garden Waste service back to Newark and Sherwood District Council from properties currently served by Rushcliffe Borough Council and Mansfield District Council.

The report provided an update on bringing the garden waste service 'in-house', the financials provided within the Business Case, the service pricing and the expansion of the service.

The Business Manager Transport & Waste Services informed Committee that the expected numbers from the business case for brown bins was to date 8,262 a decrease of 36 bins from when the report had been written. If the Council were to hold the current price of £35 per bin then the net income would be reduced by £10,500 from the figures quoted in the original business case.

A Member requested that some residents in the district had large gardens and required two brown bins and asked the Council to consider a reduction in the cost for a second bin, this would also encourage the recycling of green waste. The Business Manager Transport & Waste Services confirmed that a study was being undertaken regarding the green waste service, part of which would be a viability study into the use of Garden Sacks for smaller properties. The reduction for additional bins would be reviewed as some residents in the district had multiple bins.

A Member commented that some residents in the district had unused brown bins sat in their gardens as they had stopped paying for the service and asked when those bins would be collected. The Business Manager Transport & Waste Services confirmed that those residents would be contacted to try and persuade them to renew the

service as there was a high cost for collection. A project however would be put together to establish where the unused bins were located and a group collection would be undertaken.

A Member sought clarification regarding the recycling of sweet tubs and plastic takeaway tubs and which bin they should be disposed in. It was confirmed that a group meeting had taken place regarding plastic packaging. It had been confirmed that the polymer contained within a confectionary plastic tub was the same as a margarine tub, Veolia had confirmed that it was the size of the tub that affected recycling. Work was being undertaken to try and resolve this matter.

A Member commented that one hundred Christmas trees had been dumped in the district and asked how the Council could encourage residents to recycle their Christmas trees. The Business Manager Transport & Waste Services confirmed that there was a recycling programme in place. Officers considered that it was likely that the dumped trees were from a company that had overstocked and subsequently dumped them rather than ones collected from domestic properties. The Council offered a recycling scheme every year for the collection of Christmas trees, 272 residents used the scheme in 2018 and 353 to date in 2019 to recycle their trees.

AGREED (unanimously) that:

- (a) Members note the updates within the report;
- (b) Recommendation to the Policy & Finance Committee, the removal of the £280,590 no longer required for the RCV's from the capital programme in order to reallocate the capital receipts to other projects; and
- (c) Members endorse amendment of the Garden Waste Service charge from £37 to £35 for 2020/21 and recommend to the Policy and Finance Committee.

#### 49 HAWTONVILLE COMMUNITY CENTRE UPDATE REPORT

The Committee considered the report presented by the Health Improvement and Community Relations Manager which provided an update report in respect of Hawtonville Community Centre and the progress being made following the transfer of the management of the centre to Reach Learning Disability (RLD), a local charity supporting vulnerable adults in Newark & Sherwood, through the granting of a 3 year tenancy agreement.

The Manager of Reach Newark and the Café Project Balderton Playing Fields attended the meeting and answered Members questions. The Annual Report and Accounts for Reach were tabled at the meeting.

Members congratulated Reach on their achievements to date and wished them success for future projects. The Eaton Avenue allotment project was referred to and the need to progress that project and extend the lease for Reach. The Health Improvement and Community Relations Manager confirmed that the Council were



looking to work with Newark Town Council regarding extending the lease for Eaton Avenue allotments and also to add value to the project by encouraging grant making bodies to enter into partnerships with Reach.

A Member commented that the Hawtonville Community Centre would benefit from having a defibrillator which could also be available to the public when the centre was closed. The Health Improvement and Community Relations Manager confirmed that work was being undertaken to try and obtain a defibrillator for the centre and community.

AGREED (unanimously) that the report be noted.

50 UPDATE ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GRAFFITI POLICY

The Committee considered the report presented by the Business Manager – Public Protection which updated Members on the progress on the implementation of the Graffiti Policy for Newark and Sherwood which was adopted in June 2019 by the Council.

The Graffiti Policy introduced a new timeframe for dealing with new items of Graffiti, with differing response times for different categories of Graffiti. It was proposed to implement the time scales once all the existing graffiti across the district had been removed.

The report detailed that where new items of graffiti were identified officers from the Council were liaising closely with the Police to carry out joint investigations. A large piece of graffiti had recently appeared in Newark and had produced a number of promising leads as to the identity of the perpetrator. The Council was working in partnership with other organisations on diversionary art projects and workshops, particularly in relation to murals and public art which would make a positive contribution to the area. A day of action had taken place in Ollerton where young people produced a new back drop to the Ollerton Skate Park by working with local artist.

AGREED that the update to the implementation of the Graffiti Policy be noted.

51 LEISURE & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE FORWARD PLAN (1 JANUARY 2020 TO 17 MARCH 2020)

The Leisure & Environment Committee Forward Plan was provided for Member information. Members were encouraged to submit any areas of work they wanted to address for the forthcoming year. The following was suggested:

- Invite the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) to the 23 June 2020 meeting of the Committee
- Acive4Today – Report regarding the Governance agreement

AGREED that the Forward Plan be noted.

52 HEALTH & WELLBEING

The Vice – Chairman Councillor N Mison provided a verbal update regarding the Health and Wellbeing Board he had attended last week. The meeting had covered smoking cessation which had a cost of £178 million to Nottingham County per year, which included health costs, social care costs and lost hours worked. The Healthy Options Takeaway Scheme was also covered, only 250 establishments had taken part in the scheme. The scheme asked food outlets to demonstrate that they had healthy options on their menus. The scheme had been re-launched to try and get more participants.

The Committee was informed that a merge of the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) in Nottinghamshire had taken place. Newark and Sherwood and Mansfield had merged into a Greater Nottinghamshire CCG.

The Vice Chairman commented that he had a meeting with the Health Partnership, week commencing 27 January 2020 and would report back to the next meeting of the Committee.

A Member asked for an update regarding the Primary Care Trust and required information regarding which surgeries would be working in partnership and what would be available for residents.

The Vice-Chairman confirmed that the shared services allowed out of hours appointments which may not be available at the local surgery but at the shared surgery. Members commented that out of hour's appointments were a big issue for people which needed to be pursued rather than having to attend Accident & Emergency (A&E).

AGREED that the verbal update be noted.

Meeting closed at 7.25 pm.

Chairman

## **LEISURE & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

**17<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2020**

### **ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES STRATEGY**

#### **1.0 Purpose of Report**

1.1 To provide members with an overview of the Environmental Services Strategy and the background to its development.

#### **2.0 Background Information**

2.1 As part of the ongoing restructure which has resulted in the merger of several frontline services a new strategy has been developed in order to highlight and implement the councils objectives in frontline service delivery. In particular it links to 3 objectives:

- Objective 1: Improve the cleanliness and appearance of the local environment
- Objective 6: Protect, promote and enhance the district's natural environment
- Objective 11: Generate more income, improve value for money and increase residents satisfaction with the Council

2.3 The new Environmental Services Business Unit brings a number of the council's interests under one business manager

- Recycling and Waste
- Street Cleaning
- Grounds Maintenance
- Parks
- Transport

2.4 In addition to the councils corporate objectives set out above, this strategy also supports the authority's current stance on climate change.

#### **3.0 Timescales**

3.1 The timescale for this strategy is relatively short because it has been developed against a background of uncertainty. The governments Resources and Waste Strategy 2018 and the Environment Bill have both outlined significant changes that could have major impacts on several of the services which form part of this strategy. Initial indications are that the timescales set out in the Resources and Waste Strategy will come to fruition in 2023. That is why this document has been created to align with that timescale as it is likely that a significant review will be required near this time.

3.2 This strategy aims to realign our services so that the council is well placed to respond to the planned changes whilst ensuring we continue to push for higher standards across the district.

#### **4.0 Objectives**

4.1 There are 7 key objectives outlined in this strategy and the full document lists a number of actions which are aimed to deliver on each one. These objectives are:

1. To improve the district's recycling rate with the aim of increasing our recycling percentage. The aim is to maximise in a challenging context as we await national and local clarity.
2. Work with communities and partners to 'Green' Newark and Sherwood delivering district wide programmes focusing on tree planting and protecting and enhancing the district's natural environment.
3. Making Newark and Sherwood 'Clean' with a focus on areas in need by conducting targeted activity in identified communities and tackling key issues.
4. Work with our communities to create social capital in the 'Green' and 'Clean' agendas and encourage engagement with Environmental Services.
5. Engage with communities to deliver behaviour change through education and enforcement including campaigns.
6. Work with key colleagues within the Council to reduce Newark and Sherwood District Council's carbon footprint to offset the impact of Climate Change.
7. Maximise resources within the unit through efficiencies and commercialisation with the aim any additional resource being reinvested into greening initiatives and service improvements.

#### **5.0 Equalities Implications**

5.1 None at this stage but during the implementation of this strategy impacts will be considered on a project by project basis.

#### **6.0 Impact on Budget/Policy Framework**

6.1 None at this stage but individual actions may require additional budget commitments. Each applicable action will be assessed at the time and additional reports provided.

#### **7.0 RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**That members note the information contained in the strategy and provide their approval and support.**

#### **Reason for Recommendation(s)**

To provide the Environmental Services Team with clear direction and focus for the next three years and to allow the strategy to deliver the environmental aims and ambitions of the council.

For further information please contact Matthew Finch on Ext 5716



**NEWARK &  
SHERWOOD**  
*DISTRICT COUNCIL*

# Environmental Services Strategy

April 2020 – March 2023

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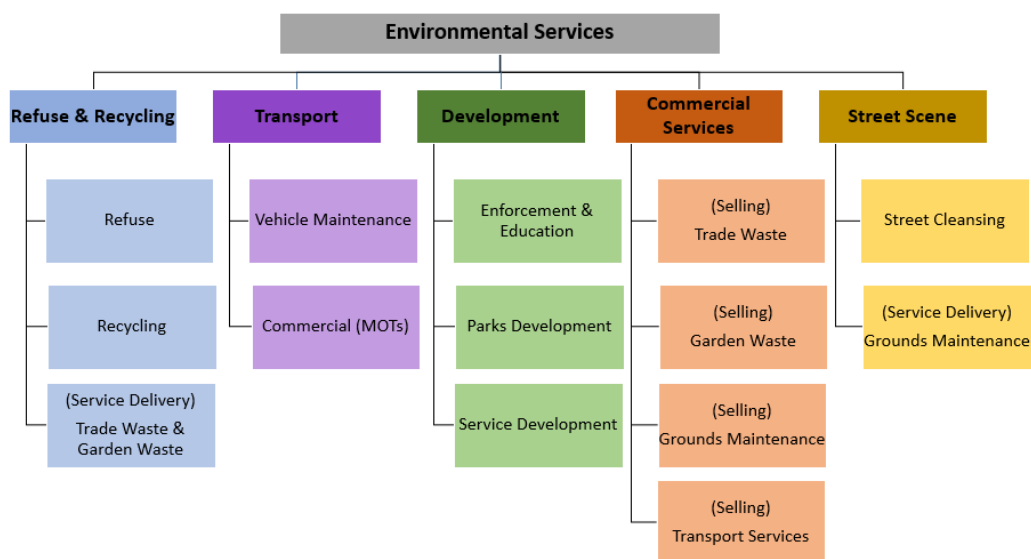
# Introduction

## Purpose of this Strategy

Environmental Services are vital to the Council; they impact the lives of residents every day both in their homes and as they walk through the district’s streets and parks. These front line services, and their performance in the streets and green spaces across the district, are valued by our residents. This is demonstrated in the 2018 Resident Survey when 11,224 residents replied to the question ‘what is the most important service?’ selecting ‘refuse collection and recycling’ as fourth most important closely followed by ‘keeping streets and public areas clean and tidy.’ Similarly, one of the largest themes in the resident comments was that the Council should address ‘cleaner’ issues, most notably fly tipping, littering and dog fouling whilst 90% of respondents said it was important or very important to them be able to live in a sustainable and environmentally aware way. Another theme from resident comments was requests to improve care of green spaces, parks, roundabouts and verges. This ties into the legacy of the “Cleaner, Safer, Greener” campaign, launched in July 2018, which saw Newark and Sherwood District Council pledge to make the District a Cleaner, Safer and Greener Place. The campaign’s Council wide focus on the front line issues that impact residents every day was a great success and it re-energised and refocused the Council on the streets and green spaces across the district.

Environmental Services covers a range of ‘Clean’ and ‘Green’ services using five delivery arms, namely; Recycling and Refuse, Development (including Parks Development and Service Development), Commercial Services and Street Scene, which utilises the synergies between Grounds Maintenance and Street Cleansing. All of which are underpinned by Transport, the delivery arm providing the vehicles that enable these services to happen. All of these services work to make our district Clean and Green the commonality between all is the aim to make the district a pleasant place to live, work and visit.

This strategy lays out how these services will be delivered over the next three years. This is a short term strategy as this service area is in a state of flux due to the draft National Waste Strategy, currently in its public review phase, and Environmental Bill. This service area looks set for change and therefore over the next three years the Council will focus on delivering this strategies objectives as well as preparing for change by developing this service to a solid baseline.





## Background

Newark and Sherwood is one of the seven Districts of Nottinghamshire. It has an area of 65,132 hectares which is the largest district of Nottinghamshire county. The resident population of Newark and Sherwood in 2018 was 121,566 living across 48,773 households. The predominant age band is 50 to 54 and the mean age of the Newark and Sherwood district population was 42 years compared to a mean age of 41 years for residents in the whole of Nottinghamshire. The central part of the District is predominantly rural with three main population centres namely; Southwell, Newark-on-Trent and Ollerton.

The District contains one of the world's most famous historical natural assets in the form of Sherwood Forest as well as the River Trent, one of England's largest river systems. The District is rich in history and the waterways passing through the district are now an important heritage feature with a wealth of cultural and natural history as well as several historic market towns. It is also a well-connected district with road networks woven across the district as well as national rail connectivity.

## Council Priorities

Newark and Sherwood District Council's strategic objectives were set as part of the Community Plan in May 2019 and they are as follows;



This strategy supports all of these objectives in a tertiary manner but it primarily links to these three objectives;

- Objective 1: Improve the cleanliness and appearance of the local environment
- Objective 6: Protect, promote and enhance the district's natural environment
- Objective 11: Generate more income, improve value for money and increase residents' satisfaction with the Council

## The Challenges we face

The authority strives to be a leader in environmental matters against a background of national and international uncertainty. Our nations exit from the European Union and evolving strategies and priorities from central government combined with uncertainty around demand from national and international materials markets makes long term planning extremely complex. That is why this strategy is designed to reposition our existing services so that we are ready to respond to anticipated demands.

We expect the governments Resources and Waste Strategy 2018 to have significant impacts on the services the council must provide and have aligned this local strategy with the time scales identified within that document. It is anticipated that from 2023 there will be a legal duty on all councils to offer additional services including kerbside glass and waste food collections. It is not yet clear if additional funding will be provided for these services. In any event the targets established in this strategy are deliberately challenging and will require a real shift in focus to prepare us for the implementation of the national strategy whilst positioning us to launch services independently should the national plans not come to fruition.

With all of the above in mind this document details the council's position on a range of environmental issues identifying the areas where we can operate directly to control outcomes and where we can work with or lobby other business units or external bodies to influence positive change. For ease of reference these areas are listed below.

### Control

- Garden Waste
- Glass (banks)
- Trees (NSDC land)
- Action day team
- Marketing and communications
- Customer experience
- NSH
- New service development
- Licensing HMOs
- Enforcement
- Climate Change (NSDC)
- NSDC Community

### Influence

- Food
- Glass (kerbside)
- Trees (non-NSDC land)
- Planning – Population, growth etc.
- Government (national)
- Community – Green Champions
- Climate change (non-NSDC)

## Progress since the last Strategy

### **Recycling and Waste Diversion**

The council released its Waste Strategy in 2006 and this was last given a light touch review in 2017. Since the development of that strategy the household waste recycling rates for Newark and Sherwood have improved significantly from 25% in 2004/5 to 32.9% in 2018/19. This is primarily due to the launch and expansion of the garden recycling scheme which continues to grow.

In addition to increasing the amount of material recycled from households the business unit has worked with its partners at Nottinghamshire County Council to develop further opportunities for diverting the waste we collect by launching battery recycling, a recycling scheme for our trade waste customers and recycling street cleansing waste. The remaining (residual) waste is now sent for energy recovery with the result that very little waste is sent to landfill.

### **Waste Minimisation**

The 2006 strategy set a target to maintain the total waste production at 440kg per head of population. This was based on the previous years figures (2004/5). In 2018/19 this figure had fallen significantly to below 372 kg per head. Overall this means that the authority is collecting under 45,200 tonnes of material from household which is less than 2004/5 despite the growth in the population of the district. In 2006 it was predicted that over 64,000 tonnes of material could be collected by 2020 it now appears that that figure will be much lower. This decrease will be due to many factors such as the light weighting by design of items such as glass bottles but such a shift is more likely to reflect a change in the purchasing behaviour of residents and an increased environmental awareness within our communities.

## Our Purpose

Newark and Sherwood is a diverse and wide reaching district full of history with a balance of natural beauty and industry spread across a rural landscape interspersed with market towns and national transport connections. Environmental Services are key to Newark and Sherwood's identity by ensuring that all areas of, and gateways to, the district are clean and that the district continues to be green and thus embody Sherwood Forest that gives Newark and Sherwood its international identity. This service also plays a role in working with communities to connect with and empower residents to deliver cleaning and greening objectives. Nature and the environment are at the centre of the District's identity and as such keeping the district clean and green is vital. This is the value of this service area.

## Service Vision

Over the next three years the vision for this service is to deliver 'greener' change such as improving recycling, reducing Co2, increasing biodiversity and planting trees, as well as working to deliver behaviour changes such as waste minimisation, whilst still maintaining focus on providing an excellent day-to-day service keeping our customers satisfied, and keeping the district's streets and community led green spaces clean and tidy.

Our intention is to be constantly improving and innovating pushing this service forward and working with residents to achieve community led change. This vision will be delivered through Newark and Sherwood being a 'Leader of Place' leading by example and empowering residents and communities through positive engagement both directly and through empowered individuals known as 'Champions' who will work in their communities helping empower individuals to take responsibility to change their behaviours and lives to increase community pride. We will also work in collaboration with our strategic partners and partners across the Council to develop our District's 'Places'. Our ultimate aim is to make our residents lives better by improving where they live, work and visit thus improving their health and wellbeing.

## Environmental Services Strategic Objectives



To improve the district's recycling rate with the aim of increasing our recycling percentage. With the aim to maximise in a challenging context as we await national and local clarity.



Work with communities and partners to 'Green' Newark and Sherwood delivering district wide programmes focusing on tree planting and protecting and enhancing the district's natural environment.



Making Newark and Sherwood 'Clean' with a focus on areas in need by conducting targeted activity in identified communities and tackling key issues.



Work with our communities to create social capital in the 'Green' and 'Clean' agendas and encourage engagement with Environmental Services.



Engage with communities to deliver behaviour change through education and enforcement including campaigns.



Work with key colleagues within the Council to reduce Newark and Sherwood District Council's carbon footprint to offset the impact of Climate Change.



Maximise resources within the unit through efficiencies and commercialisation with the aim any additional resource being reinvested into greening initiatives and service improvements.

## Objective One

To improve the district's recycling rate with the aim of increasing our recycling percentage. The aim will be to maximise the rate in a challenging context as we await national and local clarity.

### Actions to Deliver;

- 1.1 Increase glass recycling rates by ;
  - Increasing the number of glass recycling sites in the district,
  - Refreshing signage and 'look and feel' at all sites,
  - Directing residents to 'Recycle Now' for information on recycling centres in the interim with the intension that the Council will develop their own page and information resources directing residents (see 5.1), and
  - Improving the use ability of bottle banks in Newark and Sherwood by rolling out mixed glass (aka combined colours) banks."
- 1.2 Explore options, and develop a business case, for delivering kerbside separated glass collection with the aim of having a delivery plan in place for March 2023 preparing for the National Waste Strategy.
- 1.3 Explore options, and develop a business case, for delivering a food waste collection service with the aim of having a delivery plan in place for March 2023.
- 1.4 Lobby central government for clarity on the National Waste Strategy, the Environment Bill, environmentally friendly design and development and reduction in food packaging.
- 1.5 Increase the number of households utilising the Council's garden waste service by extending the offer to include garden waste bags, an adaptable low-cost option for households with less garden waste, and using clear branding and targeted marketing of the service. Work with members to consider using powers of enforcement against residents who contaminate residual bins with garden waste to encourage residents to recycle their green waste using the garden waste service.
- 1.6 Work with communications to run targeted campaigns for areas with poor recycling rates and/or high contamination rates (see 1.5). Coordinating the Action Team and Environmental Protection Officers to target these areas with the support of colleagues across the Council. Work with members to consider using powers of enforcement against residents who contaminate residual bins with viable recycling.
- 1.7 Increase the number of residents 'reusing and recycling' by;
  - Increasing recycling from non-kerbside sources by developing and promoting the services available hosting a single site where all information is held to direct residents to recycling information,
  - Reviewing, refreshing and relaunching battery kerbside collection scheme,
  - Reviewing, refreshing and relaunching textile collections at glass banks including rebranding, promotion and consideration of additional sites.
  - Reviewing, refreshing and relaunching specialist bulky waste collection including electrical collection (see 5.2)
  - Reviewing, refreshing and relaunching the Council's composting scheme to encourage residents to compost.
- 1.8 Work with members and neighbouring authorities to consider options for, and develop a strategy for, lobbying Nottinghamshire County Council on recycling legislation. Working at a local level to adapt the Veolia contract to allow more recycling within mixed dry recycling household bins including glass and mixed plastics.

## **Objective Two**

Work with communities and partners to 'Green' Newark and Sherwood delivering district wide programmes focusing on tree planting and protecting and enhancing the district's natural environment.

### **Actions to Deliver;**

- 1.2 Plant trees on NSDC land including parks, green open spaces and other sites such as leisure centres, car parks etc.
- 1.3 Work with key partners to encourage tree planting across the District including Newark and Sherwood residents through free planting schemes and organisations and charities across the district considering corporate social responsibility/ carbon neutrality schemes.
- 1.4 Deliver community 'green' engagement and activities in parks such as community tree planting, community led 'green' awards such as East Midlands in Bloom and a 'green' focused education offer for schools and children.
- 1.5 Continue to develop the Council's parks as recognised community led green spaces that are safe and clean by increasing the number of green flag parks in the district and implementing improvements in Council parks.
- 1.6 Work with the planning system to facilitate the development of 'greening' objectives including;
  - Bio-diversity in new developments,
  - 'Greening' in planning decisions and housing developments,
  - Working to create 'green corridors'
  - Using planting to mitigate flood risk, and
  - Working with planning to build cleansing and recycling infrastructure into housing developments.
- 1.7 Work with key stakeholders to protect and preserve the district's environmental assets, including reserves, SSPIs and ecosystems, and expand these assets by increasing the number of local nature reserves and sites under environmental stewardship schemes in the district, and engage with national programmes such as nature recovery networks and positive management.
- 2.7 Develop an Open Spaces Strategy following a full review of all Council, and HRA, green spaces.

### **Objective Three**

Making Newark and Sherwood 'Clean' with a focus on areas in need by conducting targeted activity in identified communities and tackling key issues.

#### **Actions to Deliver;**

- 3.1 Dispatch the Street Scene operatives, led by the Action Team (a multi-skilled street scene team) to areas in need, such as target wards, town centres in the evenings and at weekends and the 'gateways' to the district including transport hubs and A-roads.
- 3.2 For the work of all Environmental Services officers to help tackle behavioural practices such as littering, fly tipping, graffiti and flyposting through education and enforcement (see objective 5) in collaboration with work across the council such as the Neighbourhood Contract.
- 3.3 Gain a better understanding of the needs across the district through analysis of data collected using a uniform methodology across the Council to identify areas of need and make informed decisions to target services, for example analysing transects data to identify most littered areas and identifying areas with high recycling contamination to receive targeted communications.
- 3.4 Gather data over 2021-22 to inform a full strategic review of bins across the district considering location and provision to improve satisfaction and cleanliness, including the consideration of modern technology, to present a business case late in 2022 to rollout the outcomes of the review in 2023.



## **Objective Four**

Work with our communities to create social capital in the 'Green' and 'Clean' agendas and encourage engagement with Environmental Services.

### **Actions to Deliver;**

- 4.1 Continue to deliver three targeted multi-agency days of action annually, providing free bulky waste collection on the days to discourage fly tipping and delivering mini days of action throughout the year led by the Action Team. Develop a network of volunteers 'Green Champions' through these days (see 4.4).
- 4.2 Work with colleagues across the Council to deliver a programme of recycling actions delivered under the 'Greening' brand (see 5.1) working with communities, businesses and organisations to encourage;
  - Reporting of environmental crimes,
  - Reduction in plastics,
  - Waste minimisation,
  - Use of compostable disposables, and
  - Engagement with other programmes such as Refill Newark and Sherwood.
- 4.3 Developing a cohort of champions to facilitate the delivery of all cleaner and greener objectives. These champions support the delivery of behaviour change in the community with resources and support from Environmental Services officers. Champions across the district working with the council to deliver change connecting with national programmes where appropriate, such as love my park week.
- 4.4 Listen to residents' needs and wants and coordinate with colleagues across the Council to deliver responsive services. Working with colleagues and partners to share knowledge and adapt services for vulnerable residents, identifying their needs and providing appropriate support.
- 4.5 Work with the communications team to communicate the work of the Environmental Services Business Unit to residents using multiple platforms to increase awareness of what the service can do, the challenges it faces and the good work done in the unit.

## **Objective Five**

Engage with communities to deliver behaviour change through education and enforcement including campaigns.

### **Actions to Deliver;**

- 5.1 Communications campaign 'Greening Newark and Sherwood: Your Home, Your Future' badging all 'greener' actions including green waste, composting, green spaces, minimising waste, changing purchasing habits and making recycling regulations easier to understand into a district wide campaign. Alongside this run targeted campaigns directed towards specific areas to tackle key issues such as recycling, littering and dog fouling. This targeted programme would consist of a variety of activities such as school talks, community visits and neighbourhood action days.
- 5.2 Continue to tackle fly tipping through the 'Not in Newark and Sherwood' Campaign encouraging responsible disposal with the lowest price bulky waste service in the district and enforcing against offenders with covert CCTV.
- 5.3 Reduce the number of Environmental crimes committed through increased enforcement activity, and increased profile of said enforcement activities, utilising all officers qualified to for enforcement. Working collaboratively with Community Protection Officers and wardens to ensure that Environmental Protection Officers and Rangers target key areas.

## Objective Six

Work with key colleagues within the Council to reduce Newark and Sherwood District Council's carbon footprint to offset the impact of Climate Change.

### Actions to Deliver;

- 6.1 To consider 'green' alternative options for NSDC's fleet by;
  - Developing a business plan for electric vehicles for long-term procurement planning for how the Council's fleet can be converted to electric ahead of central government targets,
  - Explore options for alternative fuels working with the Nottinghamshire Consortium,
  - Utilise an adaptable procurement schedule to ensure best use of vehicles, and
  - Procure 'greener' equipment aiming, where feasible, to shift all handheld equipment to be 100% electric by 2023."
- 6.2 Work with the Asset Management and Car Parks Business Unit to explore solar and vehicle charging options for the Council depot.
- 6.3 Work with colleagues across the Council, in partnership with communications, to improve recycling at Council sites and reduce the Council's use of single-use plastic and paper through targeted communications campaigns. The Council to lead the programme outlined in 4.2 underneath the programme banner of 'Greener' as highlighted in 5.1.
- 6.4 Work towards carbon neutrality by balancing carbon recreated by NSDC actions against oxygen created by NSDC green spaces and trees planted by NSDC schemes. This objective is linked to the Climate Emergency Action Plan in development by the Climate Emergency Working Group.

## **Objective Seven**

Maximise resources within the unit through efficiencies and commercialisation with the aim any additional resource being reinvested into greening initiatives and service improvements.

### **Actions to Deliver;**

- 7.1 Deliver innovative efficiencies within the unit such as better utilisation of staff, efficient work scheduling, synergies across the unit, greater information sharing and consideration of technology and new ways of working.
- 7.2 Develop all commercial services including, but not limited to Grounds Maintenance, Trade waste, Garden waste, Bulky waste, MOTs and Vehicle care. Delivery a new commercial marketing strategy focusing all branding on the Council's 'Unique Selling Point' of being ethical, reliable and environmentally friendly.
- 7.3 Consider potential new income streams within Environmental Services and, as appropriate, plan for the development and implementation of any new income streams post-2023.

## Our Approach

Developing Digital

## Customer Principles

Digital by Default

Aspiration – standard cross-service customer communication standard – responses

Range

Residents via customer services, online, via councillors, Social media, in person, direct e-mail

Customers via admin, directly to team by phone/email, contract meetings

## Delivering this Strategy

An Operational Action Plan has been written to underpin the delivery of the strategy presented here. Contained within the action plan are details of how these objectives will be delivered.

## Timeline

17 March 2020	Reviewed by Leisure & Environment Committee
25 March 2020	Reviewed by Economic Development Committee
2 April 2020	Approved by Policy and Finance Committee
March - April 2021	Action Plan annual review
March – April 2022	Action Plan annual review
November – February 2023	Develop new Strategy
March 2023	Strategy to Committee March 2023
April 2023 Onwards	New Strategy in Place

**LEISURE & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

**17 MARCH 2020**

**Environmental Services Project Update**

**1.0 Purpose of Report**

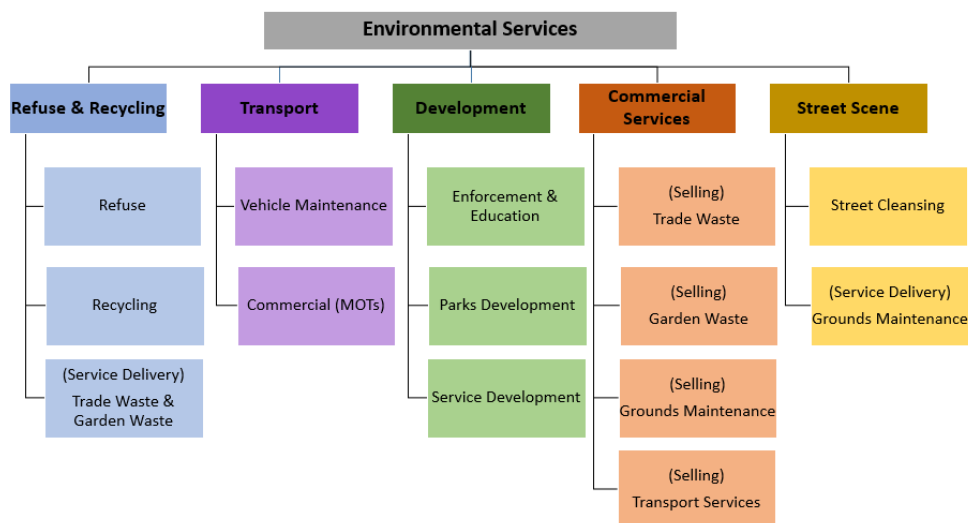
1.1 To update members in respect of the project to realign and invest in Environmental Services. This project commenced in September 2019 and the project aimed to realign and refocus the service towards effective delivery of the Community Plan.

**2.0 Background Information**

2.1 The Environmental Services within the scope of the development outlined in this report include; Street Cleansing, Refuse and Recycling, Transport, Parks and Grounds Maintenance. These services now sit within one unit enabling synergies across the functions however these services report into different Committees – namely, cleansing, waste and transport to Leisure and Environment and parks and grounds maintenance to Economic Development. This report will provide an overview of the work done within the project and compliments the Environment Strategy presented at this Committee under separate cover. This Strategy is for 2020-2023 covering refuse, recycling and green spaces and outlines the way forward for the Council over the next three years as the service prepares for national change. This report summarises the work done, and planned, for the development of this service whilst the strategy sets the vision for the service.

**3.0 Proposals**

3.1 The project aim was to develop the services within Environmental Services to a secure foundation through realignment and investment to enable the service to be ready to deliver the objectives outlined in the Community Plan. The project is still ongoing however the majority of the activity undertaken to develop and improve the services has been completed. These activities have been undertaken across the service and this report will review the work undertaken underneath each of the five ‘delivery arms’ within the newly formed environmental services;



### 3.2 **Restructure**

Firstly, the project undertook a service wide restructure to create the five delivery arms within Environmental Services. The aim of the restructure was to realign resource to strengthen street scene functions, improve succession planning and separate commercial services and service delivery to increase income generation and provide a better service for our residents and customers. The restructure was approved at JCC 18 October 2019, consultation took place and the restructure commenced November 2019. The Environmental Services Business Manager is in place and, at the time of this report, it is expected the structure will have been recruited to by April 2020 and the completed new structure will be in place by September 2020.

### 3.3 **Refuse & Recycling**

The main focus for the refuse and recycling delivery arm has been creating efficiencies and realigning services to reflect best practice. This included;

- Utilising the new larger vehicles and driving efficiency by removing a waste round from the programme. At the time of this report, it is expected the round will be removed late February or early March with a minimal impact on residents. It is expected that approximately 80 households will have their collection day changed. The savings made with the removal of this round are being reinvested into the development of the action team.
- Redesigning the rounds to ensure best use of the waste vehicles by adapting how collections are made to best practice methods.
- A review of the trade waste service to ensure best practice in charging methodology and service delivery, including a transition to zero-based budgeting and the expansion of the trade recycling offer.
- Finally, an additional supervisory resource has been added to ensure efficiency and best practice in service delivery.

### 3.4 **Transport**

The project has enabled several actions within transport;

- The restructure included the addition of a mechanic apprentice, set to join the team Summer 2020. They will act as an additional resource and offer a route for succession planning.
- A refresh of the procurement process for vehicles to ensure transparency and best practice, and
- Consideration of sustainable options for our fleet (please see the strategy for details).

### 3.5 **Development**

Three functions now sit within development;

- Education and enforcement houses waste enforcement but also leads on changing behaviour through education and thus leads on campaigns and days of action.
- Development leads on reporting and the constant development of the service as a whole considering performance, synergies and efficient use of resources.
- Parks development contains the ranger service as well as a new role Environmental Programme Officer which leads on the green and sustainability agendas including ownership of the 'Greening' campaign encapsulating work to improve sustainability across Newark and Sherwood with a special focus on recycling.

### **3.6 Commercial Services**

The commercial services within Environmental Services are; garden waste, trade waste, bulky waste, transport and grounds maintenance. The service delivery of these functions stays within the appropriate delivery 'arm' however the 'commercial' arm focuses on 'selling' these services this will include brand management, marketing, pricing and customer interaction. Creating a central point for at cost services improves communication and cross marketing. The new Commercial Manager will drive the renewed focus on commerciality working to optimise the income achieved by the service through marketing and communication and consideration of the offer. This will include the potential introduction of a quality and affordable trade recycling offer.

### **3.7 Street Scene**

The newly formed street scene delivery arm contains street cleansing and grounds maintenance functions. The following activities have been undertaken;

- In coordination with housing, health and community relations and in response to data gathered through the Residents Survey, the wider district (areas outside of town centres) has been zoned to enable areas that require it to be cleaned more regularly.
- A new street cleansing shift is being introduced allowing town centre cover every weekend and until 6pm Monday to Saturday to ensure that our town centres are well-presented as people commute through or go into town for the evening. Subject to recruitment, this shift will be in place from April 2020.
- A three person 'Action Team' has been created. This multi-skilled team are able to complete cleansing and light grounds maintenance tasks such as pruning, bin installation and pothole filling (on council land only). They will work with the litter hit squads to target key areas and respond to multi-faceted service requests as well as acting as the foundation, in terms of staff presence, for days of action. Subject to recruitment, this team will be in place from April 2020.
- Finally, there has been extensive development of the Grounds Maintenance Service to get this service to a solid foundation from which it can be grown as a commercial service. The following activities have taken place;
  - Alterations to shift patterns to enable greater capacity during the summer months,
  - A review of all sites to update site schedules ahead of the development of a digital work management/scheduling system,
  - Introduction of a refreshed, and commercial, pricing matrix and service budget,
  - Review of internal SLAs for services delivered in-house, and
  - Working to develop, and populate, a digital system for recording site information and associated tasks. This system is in development. The intention is that the system will cover all aspects of Street Scene. The system will be developed in phases and the intention is to roll-out phase one in May 2020.

### **3.8 Next Steps**

The project is expected to close in May 2020 when the reshaped services will become 'Business as Usual'. Subject to approval at Policy and Finance on 02.04.20, the Environmental Services Strategy will direct service from April 2020 until March 2023. The standard lifespan for a strategy is five years however this strategy has a shorter lifespan in reflection of the currently altering national picture. The purpose of this three year strategy is to deliver the Community Plan objectives and prepare the service for the changes coming so that the service will be on a solid foundation in 2023 ready to grow and to deliver nationally mandated change.



### 3.9 **Garden Recycling Update**

Finally, to keep members up to date, there are currently 12,476 garden recycling customers a market penetration of 23.6%. The customer service is ready for rollout on 1 April 2020, communications informing customers of the change and requesting customers to sign up for the service for 2020/21 have been sent out and the service has been rebranded to 'Garden Recycling' to reflect that garden refuse is composted not landfilled and is thus recycled sustainably.

### 4.0 **Equalities Implications**

4.1 Equalities impact assessments will be completed where appropriate for activities taking place within this project.

### 5.0 **Financial Implications (FIN19-20/4539)**

5.1 The projected additional costs for the new Environmental Services were included in the 2020/21 Revenue Budget. There will be some additional costs in 2019/20 due to some staff recruitment before the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020. These can be covered through current projected underspend within the service. There will be some staff redundancy costs, which have not been finalised yet. There will be a separate report to address this issue if required.

5.2 Since the last report to this committee on 24 September 2019, the additional capital budget of £89,410 was approved to purchase three additional vehicles. These will enable the action team to operate and the new shifts to start as per paragraph 3.3 and 3.7.

### 6.0 **Community Plan – Alignment to Objectives**

6.1 This project works deliver the following Community Plan objectives;

- Improve the cleanliness and appearance of the local environment,
- Protect, promote and enhance the district's natural environment, and
- Generate more income, improve value for money and increase residents' satisfaction with the Council (income generation to be achieved by the development of the Environmental Services Commercial Services).

### 7.0 **RECOMMENDATIONS**

a) For members to note the progress made in the development of Environmental Services.

#### **Reason for Recommendations**

**To deliver the improvements required to ensure delivery of the Community Plans' objectives.**

#### **Background Papers**

Nil

For further information please contact Ella Brady on Ext.5279

**Matthew Finch, Director of Communities & Environment**

**PROGRESS REPORT NEWARK AND SHERWOOD YMCA COMMUNITY AND ACTIVITY VILLAGE**

**1.0 Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 To provide members with an update report in respect of building progress at the YMCA Newark and Sherwood Community and Activity Village.

**2.0 Background Information**

- 2.1 YMCA commenced Phase 1 work at the above site in May 2018 and completed Phase 1 in October 2018. In order to keep members apprised of progress regular update reports will be presented to Leisure and Environment Committee.

**3.0 Progress Report**

**3.1 Phase 1**

Phase 1 included the construction of two full size floodlit 3G pitches, a floodlit 6 lane synthetic athletics track and field facility, full perimeter security fencing, temporary changing provision and car parking to facilitate the early operation of the site. The two 3G football pitches and athletics track are fully operational and the feedback from local football and athletics club users has been extremely positive.

**3.2 Current Utilisation**

Through the period of September 2019 to February 2020, 107 football groups and 27 athletics groups have based themselves at the Village. Nottingham Forest have sessions at the Village and Newark Town Football Club are currently chasing promotion with YMCA putting facility upgrades in place to ensure they are able to secure promotion to the league above next season. Discussions are taking place with Notts County FC for a health programme that could be run in the area and RHP Football Club have increased by 5 teams this season showing growth in participation.

**3.3 Installation of Multi-Use Games Courts**

YMCA have secured additional funding for the installation of two multi-use games courts which will provide appropriate surfaces predominantly for recreational tennis and netball. They will eventually become fully flood lit courts, but initially will be installed without floodlighting. Charles Lawrence Construction has been selected for the installation of the courts, which will commence in the next four weeks with anticipated completion by the end of May.

**3.4 Professional Tennis Courts**

YMCA have been in consultation with LTA and Sport England to secure funds to build three professional tennis courts in collaboration with local tennis clubs. However, at present, ensuring financial viability (full-cost recovery with sinking funds) is currently a challenge

based on the discrepancy in current tennis club fees and fees that achieve full-cost recovery. It is anticipated that a viable solution will be developed and agreed over the next several months, releasing funds to build the three tennis courts.

### **3.5 Cycling**

At present the cycling circuit is being reviewed in collaboration with local cycling clubs across the district and British Cycling. At present there is a shortfall of approximately £450,000 to develop the full 750-metre circuit. British Cycling will not support a full circuit as their current focus is mass market and entry into cycling for our geographic area due to other nearby facilities being available and currently underutilised.

A possible solution to release British Cycling funding and other match funding is to build a training circuit to support entry into cycling and road safety and after completion seek additional funding to extend the course into the full 750-metre circuit. This is unlikely to progress until the main building development nears completion, approx. January 2021.

### **3.6 Skateboard, BMX & Scooter Track**

Skateboard, BMX & Scooter Track is anticipated to be fully funded and ready for installation by Summer 2021. The land currently set-aside for this facility will be used to facilitate the main building development during the construction period.

### **3.7 Phase 2 Community & Activity Village Main Building**

The Phase 2 development was initially delayed to realize additional funding resources and to provide additional time to secure agreements with substantial key stakeholders. YMCA is now on track to commence Phase 2 works, currently scheduled to commence Late Spring / Summer 2020 with the construction of the main village building and its immediate surrounds.

R.G. Carter Construction was selected by the YMCA to build the Village building after a full OJEU Procurement process was completed. Final contractual discussions are due to complete by March 31<sup>st</sup> 2020 to commence building onsite by Late Spring / Summer 2020. The build timeline will support a soft-launch by Summer 2021 and full launch by start of Autumn 2021 in time for sports clubs, nursery and student enrolment.

The Phase 2 building includes: educational classrooms, music and film studios, dance hall, arts suite, changing facilities, large community cafe and kitchen, function spaces, early years nursery provision, classrooms, physio therapy rooms, changing rooms for the entire Village, mental health and NHS consulting rooms, functional fitness and an Olympic standard climbing centre. The addition of multiple VCS, NHS and other delivery partners has increased the building size by 1000 square metres and subsequently, phase 2 build costs are £10.2M inclusive of contingency.

### **3.8 Community Investment**

In April 2020 the YMCA, with the support of Triodos Bank, will launch a retail/crowdfunding Social Investment Bond to further facilitate the capital required to make the full vision of the Village a reality. The Bond will be available for as little as £50 ensuring all individuals

and business could afford to invest in their future and that of the community creating both a social and financial return for those who choose to invest. Investment will subsequently lower commercial lending requirements.

### 3.9 **Phased launch of the building 2021**

- Completion of Education, Hospitality Wings - confirmed as Late Spring / Early Summer 2021.
- Completion of NHS, Climbing Wall, Gym and Wellbeing suites – confirmed as late summer / early autumn 2021.

### 3.10 **Community Development Partners**

There has been ongoing work with local partners to establish engagement in the Village as well as sourcing occupants for the upcoming building.

Conversations are ongoing and partners have been identified who meet and agree with the YMCA core values and strategic priorities.

They must also be willing to work collectively both operationally and strategically to support the Village and the community by adopting and working in line with our place-based approach.

### 3.11 **Education Partners include:**

- Lincoln College Group
- U3A
- Inspire Culture
- REAL Education
- WEA

Each of the Education partners are having discussions to access classroom space in the building as well as accessing other on-site facility usage for their students.

### 3.12 **Community Health Partners include:**

The YMCA is in discussions with a large number of community health partners, football clubs, the NHS Foundation, local charities and other voluntary organisations. We envisage these partners to be sited within the building accessing various spaces or utilising desk rental. Other options for residence include treatment rooms, workshop space which would also include access to other on-site facilities for their users.

### 3.13 **Community Arts Partners include:**

- Dance 4
- Inspire Culture
- Non-such dance company
- Tom Dale Dance company
- Next Door Dance company
- LOV
- Confetti

The Arts partners would cater for bookings as well as joint delivery on site.

### 3.14 **Research partners**

Nottingham Trent University will be researching the impact of the YMCA and the activities of its partners on the wellbeing and social mobility of young people and families signed up to NSCAV activities.

### 3.15 **Other**

DWP and local colleges are being approached to develop apprenticeships and recruitment packages for the new staff team across YMCA Newark & Sherwood

- Childcare
- Housing
- Sports
- Leisure and Music
- Grounds maintenance

### 3.16 **Businesses**

Discussions are taking place to develop pathways which would provide vocations with the following providers:

- Construction
- Leisure & music industry
- Electronic
- Printing

## 4.0 **Equalities Implications**

4.1 The YMCA is a fully inclusive organisation and will be responsible for ensuring that all operational aspects of project are Equalities Act 2010 compliant.

## 5.0 **Financial Implications**

5.1 There are no financial implications for the Council in relation to this report.

## 6.0 **Community Plan – Alignment to Objectives**

6.1 The YMCA is a key partner and the delivery of this project will contribute towards the delivery of a number of priorities contained within the Community Plan 2019-2023; particularly the objective to ‘improve the health and wellbeing of local residents, with a particular focus on narrowing the gap in healthy life expectancy and other health outcomes’ and to ‘reduce levels of deprivation in target areas and remove barriers to social mobility across the district’.

## 7.0 **Comments of Director(s)**

7.1 I welcome the progress made on what will be a transformational and long-term project with far reaching benefits for residents of Newark and Sherwood. The report provides a helpful update on the funding strategy and particularly the overall levels of financial support rightly offered by the District Council to realise phase 2 of the project.

## 8.0 **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

8.1 That the progress report be noted.

**Reason for Recommendation(s)**

**To provide an update on the progress of the development of the YMCA Community and Activity Village.**

**Background Papers**

Nil

For further information please contact Andy Hardy on Ext 5708.

Matthew Finch  
Director – Communities & Environment

## LEISURE AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

17<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2020

### A CO-ORDINATED CAMPAIGN AND ENFORCMENT APPROACH TO FLY TIPPING

#### **1.0 Purpose of Report**

1.1 To inform members of the progress made in developing and implementing a co-ordinated approach to fly tipping within the district.

#### **2.0 Background Information**

2.1 In September 2019 a report was presented to Leisure and Environment Committee setting out an outline approach to fly tipping. This was in support of the Council's Cleaner, Safer and Greener campaign and the objectives of the Community Plan. The action plan forms part of the 'Not in Newark and Sherwood' campaign.

2.2 Fly tipping is the illegal disposal of household, industrial, commercial or other "controlled" waste without a waste management licence. The waste can be liquid or solid. Fly tipping is not the same as littering.

#### **3.0 Introduction**

3.1 On order to provide a co-ordinated approach to fly tipping and to ensure that a robust and effective plan is in place a 'Fly Tipping Task Group' has been established to develop a range of actions across a number of disciplines that provide a framework for future work.

3.2 The task group consists of staff from the following areas:

Public Protection  
Environmental Services  
Communications  
Legal

3.3 The action plan that has been developed is multi-faceted in that it addresses short, medium and long term solutions across enforcement, education, prevention and public awareness.

3.4 The Task Group has been meeting regularly and Members will be aware of some of the actions that have already been implemented. For example the review of the Council's Bulky Waste Collection service has been undertaken and changes to the service are to be introduced in April. A more co-ordinated approach to enforcement has also been implemented with the Community Protection Officers now working more closely with both the Neighbourhood Wardens in the Housing Service and the Environmental Wardens in the Waste Team. This approach has already seen an increase in the enforcement activity in relation to fly tipping. In 2019 one fixed penalty notice was issued in relation to fly tipping. So far in 2020 six fixed penalty notices for fly tipping have been issued.

3.5 In the September report to committee a number of provisional ideas were set out. These have now been further developed and a detailed action plan has been put together.

#### 4.0 Proposals

4.1 The action plan set out below shows the range of actions that have been developed and the progress so far. It is proposed that the action plan will be in place until late this year when it will be reviewed. It is proposed that a targeted 12 month campaign is resourced and delivered being led jointly by the Business Managers from Public Protection and Waste and Transport. The campaign is called 'Not in Newark and Sherwood' and will dovetail with the wider campaign across Nottinghamshire.

Action	Progress	Comments
Re-launch the council's bulky waste service	75% Complete	Report taken to committee and new charging infrastructure agreed. Artwork commissioned, agreed and ordered
Promotion and advertising of new bulky waste service on collection vehicle	50% Complete	Advertising artwork commissioned, agreed and ordered
Promote three free collection days in three communities, to dovetail with the Days of Action	Planning 75% complete. Roll out later in calendar year	Areas identified already are Southwell and Clipstone. A third area is yet to be agreed but will be shortly. All bulky waste items will be collected from identified areas
Produce leaflet for tradespeople reminding of the responsibilities of carrying waste and ensuring its proper disposal	On going	Whenever officers visit business they are promoting the message that waste must be disposed of correctly and legally.
Day of Action addressing illegal waste carriers to be carried out in conjunction with the Police	Complete. This took place in Newark and involved, Police NSDC, VOSA, HMRC and the Environment Agency. 14 vehicles were stopped and inspected. One person was served with a Notice to produce waste documents. One vehicle was found to have no insurance.	Second day now being planned. This is likely to be in the west of the district.
Scrapyard visits with the Police	Programmed for later in year	
Install 'covert cameras' and signage at key sites	Project under way. Potential sites identified. First three sites identified as the worst fly tipping	Artwork commissioned, agreed and ordered. Sign stations built and roll out commenced. A small project



	hotspots within the district. These are all A Road laybys.	regarding the placement of overt cameras has commenced. Supplier has been identified and the project has reached the GDPR check stage
Negotiate with the County Council and amended access to Household waste sites for trade vehicles	Positive progress has been made. NCC and Veolia have agreed in principle to open the site in Newark to vehicles not exceeding 3500 kg on a pay as you visit basis. Veolia are undertaking feasibility study to ascertain the implications of this.	
Examine feasibility of covert operation for rogue waste collection businesses.	Later in year.	Details being developed but will be subject to legal sign off.
Approach local social media sites to ensure the irresponsible promotion of 'tip run' requests and services are monitored to prevent the risk of residents falling foul of the law	Later in year	Twitter, Facebook and other social media sites will be targeted to promote legal disposal of waste and discourage 'tip run' posts.
Examine feasibility of using Public Space Protection Orders to control fly tipping on Deerdale Lane/Eakring Road	Good progress being made. An agreement in principle has been reached with the County Council, Forestry Commission and Mansfield DC. The Council's legal team have confirmed that the PSPO can be used for this purpose.	The terms of the PSPO and the way it will operate now need to be developed.

## 5.0 **Equalities Implications**

- 5.1 The set of actions likely to be involved in the campaign have been assessed and it is considered that with the exception of the use of covert cameras there are not likely to be any implications.
- 5.2 If, and when covert cameras are deployed these will be done in accordance with the information Commissioners Office guidance and the protocols issued by the Surveillance Commissioner.

## **6.0 Financial Implications**

6.1 None from this report as a budget to support this work was agreed in September

## **7.0 Community Plan – Alignment to Objectives**

7.1 Objective 1 of the Community Plan is to ‘Improve the cleanliness and appearance of the local environment’. This is supported by the following actions:

Reduce littering, fly-tipping, graffiti and dog fouling, through a programme of education aimed at changing behaviours.

Increasing the number/profile of enforcement actions

Supporting communities to build civic pride and facilitating activities to enable communities to improve their local areas.

7.2 The campaign actions proposed will assist in the delivery of this element of the Community Plan.

## **8.0 RECOMMENDATION(S)**

- a) Members are asked to note the progress made on the action plan put together by the fly tipping task group.**

### **Reason for Recommendation(s)**

To allow a sustained and targeted programme to be delivered to reduce the level of fly tipping in the district.

### **Background Papers**

Nil

For further information please contact Andy Kirk ext 5577 or Alan Batty ext 5467 .

Matthew Finch  
Director - Environment and Communities

## Appendix: Not in Newark and Sherwood media coverage

Press releases issued since start of campaign: 6

### Print coverage

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# Major crackdown on scourge of fly-tipping

By Dan Churcher  
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A MAJOR new campaign is being proposed to crackdown on the scourge of fly-tipping in Newark and Sherwood, where the equivalent weight of 50 double decker buses is dumped every year.

Councillors will consider ramping up action to catch and punish offenders in order to combat the unsightly and costly problem, with incidents of illegal dumping on the increase and running at nearly four a day.

The new campaign, Not In Newark and Sherwood, follows on from Newark and Sherwood District Council's highly successful Cleaner, Safer, Greener initiative that was aimed at creating a greater sense of pride in the environment and tackling environmental crime.

During the financial year 2018-19, the council removed 1,438 fly-tips with a combined weight of 361.89 tonnes.

For the current 2019-20 period, 425 fly-tips had been removed between April-July with a combined weight of 81.36 tonnes.

Fly-tipping, the illegal disposal of household, industrial, commercial or other controlled waste without a waste management licence, has been highlighted as a particular problem for the district because it is covered by large areas of open countryside.

In many cases, it is suspected offenders are rogue waste operators who work for cash and do not operate with the necessary licences.

The district council works closely with police to tackle rural crime and employs Environment Protection Officers who specifically deal with environmental offences.

Last month, the county-wide Not in Notts campaign was launched to ensure closer partnership working between councils, including Newark and Sherwood, to target the offenders.

Earlier this year, the district council adopted a new community plan with one of its key objectives being to improve the cleanliness and appearance of the local environment.

Roger Jackson, chairman of the district council's leisure and environment committee, said: "Four incidents of fly-tipping every day is a real stain on our district but we are absolutely determined to confront the issues and deal with those who are responsible."

"The council proposes to embark on a wide range of actions throughout this campaign, but would appeal to the public to be our eyes and ears in helping identifying the cowboy waste operators who are spoiling the environment."

MEMBERS of the council's leisure and environment committee will discuss the proposals at its next meeting on Tuesday.

Key aspects of the proposed new campaign are likely to include:

- Stop and check days of action, in conjunction with police, to target vehicles carrying waste without the necessary trading paperwork.
- Specific 'bring out your dead' days for householders to dispose of bulky waste free of charge in specific communities.
- Challenging local social media sites to stop the promotion of illegal tip-run requests and services.
- Covert surveillance to snare rogue waste removal operators who take rubbish away or cash but do not have waste carrier notices.
- Shutting down public access to problem fly-tipping sites
- Relaunching and reviewing the council's bulky waste collection service which not only provides for the ethical disposal of waste but is cheap as well as protecting householders from possible prosecution.



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## 'Bring Out Your Dead' plan to stop flytipping



PLANS to crack down on flytipping are set to include a 'bring out your dead' style event so people can safely dispose of their waste.

Members of Newark and Sherwood District Council's leisure and environment committee voted unanimously to approve plans to combat flytipping not only in Newark and Sherwood, but the county as a whole.

Recently, councils across the county joined forces to launch a 'Not in Notts' campaign with the aim to share intelligence and work across boundaries to reduce incidents of flytipping across Nottinghamshire.

The new campaign, Not in Newark and Sherwood, will see the re-launch of the council's bulky waste service, the introduction of three 'bring out your dead' style days where the council will take items free-of-charge, and carry out at least two days of action with police.

Plans seek to ensure the public and businesses are aware of their responsibilities when disposing of waste and to not rely on a rogue man with a van to take rubbish away.

If rubbish is flytipped illegally, the householder or business would still be responsible.

Committee chairman Roger Jackson said: "Flytipping is a real scourge, especially in rural areas such as Newark and Sherwood, and we're also asking local people to be our eyes and ears as to who is doing it."

DISTRICT council leader David Lloyd inspects recent flytipping at Clay Lane, Newark.



THE fly-tip at Sherwood Pines, which led to the prosecution of a Newark builder.

## Warning issued over fly-tipping

PEOPLE who turn to social media sites for tip runs are warned that they could end up in court.

The campaign, Not In Newark And Sherwood, was launched by the district council in September to take an uncompromising approach to fly-tipping offenders.

There are nearly four incidents a day in the district.

Rogue rubbish collectors are actively advertising their services on social media sites by posing as legitimate waste removal services but often just dump their collections on other people's land.

A builder in Newark who used Facebook to search for a waste removal service has been fined for failing to use a licensed waste carrier, after wood, building materials and bags of rubbish were discarded on the outskirts of Sherwood Pines.

The council took legal action after officers found addresses on paperwork among the rubbish that

traced the debris back to the owner.

Jay Boby, 27, was fined £250 reduced to £167 for an early guilty plea, with £180 legal costs, totalling £347 to be paid in 14 days.

A second defendant, Corey Batterham, has also been identified by the district council but failed to attend court. A warrant has been issued for his arrest.

"Fly-tipping is a serious offence which not only results in a considerable cost to the public purse to clear up but is also harmful to the community and the environment," said Andrew Kirk, the council's business manager for waste management.

"This should serve as a warning to other residents that we will thoroughly investigate incidents of fly-tipping and pursue offenders through the courts.

"It also highlights the consequences of using man-with-a-van type services that pose as legitimate waste carriers on social media."

As part of Not In Newark And Sherwood, the council has pledged to challenge local social media sites, particularly those that actively promote illegal tip run requests and services.

A stop-and-check day, in conjunction with the police, is scheduled when vehicles carrying waste without the necessary trading paperwork will be targeted and appropriate action taken.

In 2018-19, the council removed 1,438 fly-tips with a combined weight of 361.89 tonnes. Between April and November this year, 639 fly-tips had been removed with a total weight of 169.59 tonnes.

The council advises people to always check for a valid waste carrier's licence, which can be done on the Environment Agency website.

If someone offers to remove waste the householder must make sure they have the appropriate licences to remove it so it

# Flytipping at beauty spot costs rogue operator £3,000

ROGUE waste operators are being warned they face the full force of the law after the successful prosecution of a man who touted his services on social media.

Corey Batterham, 24, must pay more than £3,000 after pleading guilty to dumping waste at a beauty spot, highlighting the penalties imposed on offenders for their actions — a message spelled out in a Newark and Sherwood District Council's campaign.

Batterham, from Newark, failed to attend court in the first instance, before being arrested by police and was brought before Nottingham Magistrates' Court.

Magistrates were told Batterham had dumped polystyrene, cardboard, building materials and household rubbish on a roadway at Sherwood Pines after being paid by Jay Boby, a Newark builder, to dispose of the waste.

The court heard Boby had spotted a posting on Facebook from Batterham offering waste removal.

Council inspectors were able to trace the rubbish back to the original owner.

Batterham was ordered to pay a



THE offending flytip at Sherwood Pines that was dumped by Corey Batterham, 24, from Newark.

£1,900 fine, £1,000 legal costs and £181 victim surcharge.

At an earlier hearing Boby, 27, who had failed to take the appropriate steps to prevent rubbish being fly-tipped, was also was fined for failing to use a licensed waste carrier.

He was ordered to pay £250, reduced to £167 for an early guilty plea, with a £30 victim surcharge and

£150 legal costs, totalling £347 to be paid in 14 days.

Andrew Kirk, from the council's waste management, said: "We welcome the outcome of the case as it sends out a stern warning to fly-tippers who are being targeted in the district council's Not in Newark and Sherwood campaign.

"We take fly-tipping very seriously and we will seek the toughest punish-

ments possible where the evidence supports a prosecution.

"Not only is fly-tipping harmful to the community and the environment, it results in a considerable cost to the public purse to clear up."

As part of Not in Newark and Sherwood, the council has challenged local social media sites, not to promote illegal tip run requests and services.

# A saving in waste collection

PEOPLE who need white goods or bulky waste taken away will pay £1 less in future.

Newark and Sherwood District Council's leisure and environment committee voted to cut the bulky waste and white goods collection charges to make the scheme more attractive to residents with the aim of cutting fly-tipping.

The meeting was told if the service was offered for free it would result in a short-fall of £84,000, and dramatically increase the demand for the service, which could double the cost of running it to £168,000.

Instead, it was decided that, as well as offering the free collection of white goods during three planned days of action for 2020 — dates still to be confirmed — that the cost of the service be reduced to £14 to £13 for the first item, and from £8 to £7 for subse-

quent items for both bulky waste and white goods.

That would make the charges the cheapest in Nottinghamshire.

It is hoped the reduction in costs, and plans to offer free collection during the Days of Action, will prevent people paying somebody to take their white goods away, only to see them fly-tipped.

Members heard that leaving goods out for collection by scrap dealers would not solve the problem.

Committee member Donna Routledge said: "There's a lot of people who think they are doing the right thing by leaving white goods for the scrapman, but don't realise leaving things in the garden for the scrapman will be stripped and the rest fly-tipped."

# Fined for dumping Christmas rubbish

By Rachel Armitage  
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FLY-TIPPERS have been warned they will pay for their crimes after a man was hit with a £400 fine for dumping his excess Christmas waste.

The offender, from Newark, admitted to dumping the rubbish, comprising food waste, nappies and letters containing personal details, which traced the rubbish back to the owner.

He was issued with a fixed penalty notice of £400, which is reduced to £200 if paid within 10 days.

The post-festive period often leads to an increase in illegal dumping, as householders clear their homes of packaging, leftovers, decorations and even Christmas trees, and four such incidents are reported each day.

District council leader David Lloyd, said: "The festive period is inevitably a time of year when homes accumulate increased amounts of waste. However, this is absolutely not an excuse for making the countryside a dumping ground.

"We take fly-tipping very seriously and expect everyone to dispose of their rubbish responsibly.

"As well as the council's own recycling services and household waste recycling centres, there are plenty of legitimate rubbish removal services



BAGS of fly-tipped rubbish were found in Newark.

that will dispose of your waste legally and responsibly.

"We have recently seen a number of successful prosecutions for fly-tipping offences and we will always seek the toughest punishments possible where the evidence supports a prosecution.

"Not only is fly-tipping harmful to the community and the environment, it results in a considerable cost to the public purse to clear up."

The council's Not in Newark and

Sherwood, part of the wider Not in Notts anti-fly-tipping campaign, has already led to a reduction in incidents of fly-tipping.

So far, 1,036 fly-tips had been removed between April 2019 and January 2020 with a combined weight of 236.47 tonnes, a decrease on this period last year.

The council has advised residents to always check for a valid waste carrier's licence via the Environment Agency website.

# Festive flytipping proves expensive

WRAPPING paper, cards and empty toy packaging were among a festive flytipping frenzy found on a village lane.

A social media appeal was launched by Newark and Sherwood District Council to trace the culprit after a police officer spotted the rubbish on Christmas Day afternoon in Clipstone.

Having seen the appeal, the individual responsible handed himself in and removed the waste — and was hit with a £400 fixed penalty notice.

The council has warned offenders they will pay for their crimes after another man was given the same fine for dumping Christmas rubbish, including food waste, nappies and personal documents, in a Coddington layby.

Similarly, a mixture of household waste, old toys, cables and building materials were dumped on a public footpath in Edwinstowe and, after investigation, the waste owner incurred the same £400 fine.

Council leader David Lloyd said: "We take flytipping very seriously and expect everyone to dispose of their rubbish responsibly.



"As well as the council's own recycling services and household waste recycling centres, there are plenty of legitimate rubbish removal services, including the council's own, that dispose of your waste legally and responsibly."

"We are aware that rogue waste disposal operators posing as legitimate businesses are actively advertising their services on social media sites and often just dump collected

rubbish on other people's land or in public.

"However, these are not the only individuals guilty of flytipping. Everyday people, simply looking for a quick way of getting rid of a large amount of waste are attempting to cut corners and flout the law."

The council has advised residents to always check for a valid waste carrier's licence which can be done easily on the Environment Agency website.

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# Man fined after building rubble and waste was dumped at Clumber Park

An address was found in the rubbish which helped investigations

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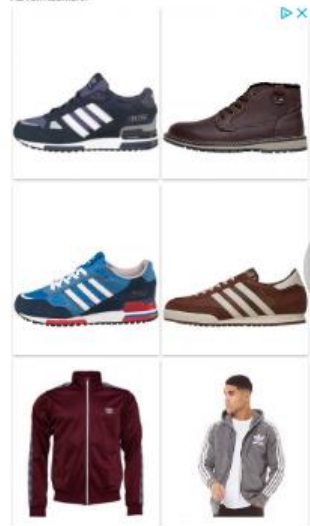
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Clumber Park was blighted by a heap of building rubble and household waste - but the dumper left a trail.

Council workers found an address on papers which led to a woman who had a wall knocked down at her home, [city magistrates](#) heard.

Then they tracked down builder Jay Boby, 27, who had asked a man on Facebook to remove the pile and

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# Rogue waste business dumped builder's rubbish at beauty spot

Council concerned there is a rise in fly-tippers advertising their services on social media

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A fly-tipper who advertised his dumping business on social media has been hauled before the courts and fined more than £3,000.

**Newark and Sherwood District Council** is now warning other rogue waste operators they will 'face the

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## Using social media to find rubbish collectors could land you in court, council warns

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**The fly-tipped rubbish at Sherwood Pines.** (Image: Newark and Sherwood District Council)

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People turning to social media to find rogue rubbish collectors to take their waste to the tip have been warned they could end up in court.


Rogue collectors advertise their services on social media sites by posing as legitimate waste removal services but often just dump their collections on other people's land or in public.

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## Newark man hit with hefty £400 fine after dumping Christmas rubbish

The council said the post-festive period often leads to an increase in illegal dumping i

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**Waste from over Christmas including trees have been found dumped in Newark.** (Image: Newark and Sherwood District Council)

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Fly-tippers in Nottinghamshire have been warned after a Newark man was fined £400 for dumping his excess Christmas waste.


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# Fly tippers fined after Christmas items dumped in Nottinghamshire

'There are plenty of legitimate rubbish removal services'

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Household waste, old toys, cables and building materials dumped in Edwinstowe. (Image: Newark and Sherwood District Council)

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Wrapping paper, cards and empty toy packaging were among Christmas items dumped in a village lane.

On Christmas afternoon, a police officer spotted the rubbish in Baulker Lane, [Clipstone](#).

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## Promotion on Newark and Sherwood District Council social media

20 November 2019

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Yesterday we joined forces with Newark Police - Nottinghamshire and other agencies in the first of several operations to clamp down on issues highlighted by our anti fly-tipping #NotinNewarkandSherwood campaign.

A waste carrier licence is a legal requirement for services involved in transporting, buying, selling or disposing of waste and our officers checked every vehicle stopped to ensure they were compliant.

Illegal waste operators are actively collecting rubbish from households often for it to be found fly-tipped on other people's land or in public. A number of vehicles found carrying waste failed to produce a licence and have seven days to produce the document or will face legal action.

A total of 21 vehicles were stopped by police, which found three vehicles to be driven without insurance, one with a failed MOT and one without tax.

Find out more about the day 📄 <https://bit.ly/35jXNWb>



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**Fly-tipping? #NotinNewarkandSherwood.** A Newark man has been ordered to pay more than £3,000 after dumping polystyrene, cardboard, building materials and household rubbish on a roadway at Sherwood Pines.

Paying for your waste to be removed? If you don't take the appropriate steps to prevent your rubbish from being dumped you could also face prosecution. Rogue waste disposal operators - posing as legitimate businesses – are actively advertising their services on social media sites and we are urging everyone to be vigilant and always check for a waste carrier license.

Find out more <https://bit.ly/2D1090b>



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Festive leftovers? Excess packaging or decorations? Dispose of your waste responsibly. A Newark man has been ordered to pay a £400 fine for dumping his excess Christmas waste in a layby in Coddington.

The culprit admitted to dumping the rubbish, comprising food waste, nappies and letters containing personal details, when interviewed by our enforcement officers and was subsequently issued with a fixed penalty notice.

Documents containing addresses traced the rubbish back to th... [See more](#)



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A rubbish disposal that could've cost £0, costing £400. Almost all the items in this photo could have been disposed of in a household recycling bin, but instead, the fly-tipper chose to dump them down a village lane over Christmas.

Wrapping paper, gift tags, cards and empty toy packaging were among a festive fly-tipping frenzy dumped down Baulker Lane, in Clipstone. Acknowledging the error of his ways, the individual responsible saw an online appeal, subsequently turned himself in and swiftly removed the rubbish. He was then issued a fixed penalty notice of £400.

Got a large amount of rubbish? We'll shift it. Book a large waste collection here  <https://www.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/bulky/>

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## LEISURE AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

17 MARCH 2020

### ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE EXEMPT REPORTS CONSIDERED BY THE LEISURE & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

#### **1.0 Purpose of Report**

1.1 To provide the Leisure & Environment Committee with a list of the exempt business considered by the Committee for the period 5 March 2019 to date.

#### **2.0 Background Information**

2.1 The Councillors' Commission at their meeting held on 25 September 2014 proposed a number of changes in respect of exempt information, one of which being that 'the Committees undertake an annual review of their exempt items at their last meeting prior to the Annual Meeting in May'. This was ratified by the Council on 14 October 2014.

2.2 Members will also be aware that the Council agreed a review mechanism for exempt items which was incorporated into the Access to Information Procedure Rules. Rule 18 provides Members with a mechanism to request a review of exempt information with a view to this being released into the public domain should there be substantive reasons to do so.

#### **3.0 Proposals**

3.1 The following table provides the exempt business considered by the Leisure & Environment Committee for the period 5 March 2019 to date:

<b>Date of Meeting</b>	<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Exempt Paragraph</b>	<b>Opinion of Report Author as to current status of the report</b>
19 November 2019	Proposed expansion of the fitness suite and consideration of alternative management arrangements at Southwell Leisure Centre – update	Paragraph 3	Information remains confidential

#### **4.0 RECOMMENDATION**

**That the report be noted with those items which are no longer considered as exempt being released into the public domain.**

#### **Reason for Recommendation**

**To advise Members of the exempt business considered by the Leisure & Environment Committee for the period 5 March 2019 to date and those items which can now be released into the public domain.**



Background Papers

Nil

For further information please contact Nigel Hill, Business Manager – Elections & Democratic Services on Ext: 5243.

John Robinson  
Chief Executive

**Forward Plan of the Leisure & Environment Committee Decisions from 1 January 2020 to 23 June 2020**

This document records some of the items that will be submitted to the Leisure & Environment Committee over the course of the next twelve months.

These committee meetings are open to the press and public.

Agenda papers for the Leisure & Environment Committee meetings are published on the Council's website 5 days before the meeting <http://www.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/agendas/>. Any items marked confidential or exempt will not be available for public inspection.

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June	Sports & Recreation Facilities Plan	<a href="mailto:leanne.monger@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk">leanne.monger@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk</a> <a href="mailto:andy.hardy@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk">andy.hardy@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk</a>
June	Mental Wellbeing – presentation from Charitable/Voluntary Group.	<a href="mailto:leanne.monger@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk">leanne.monger@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk</a> <a href="mailto:helen.ellison@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk">helen.ellison@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk</a>
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Sept	Active4Today Performance (Q1)	<a href="mailto:Leanne.monger@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk">Leanne.monger@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk</a> <a href="mailto:andy.hardy@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk">andy.hardy@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk</a>

Nov	Active4Today Draft Business Plan and Performance (Q2)	<a href="mailto:Leanne.monger@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk">Leanne.monger@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk</a> <a href="mailto:andy.hardy@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk">andy.hardy@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk</a>
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Jan	Active4Today Final Business Plan and Performance (up to end Nov - part Q3)	<a href="mailto:Leanne.monger@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk">Leanne.monger@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk</a> <a href="mailto:andy.hardy@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk">andy.hardy@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk</a>