

North Area Committee

28<sup>th</sup> January 2021

PRESENT:-

Councillors Wareing (Chair), Nicola (Deputy Chair), Drake-Davis, Matthews, McCobb, Lunn, Ross and Wilson.

IN ATTENDANCE:-

A. Shaw (Community Manager) and N. Stocks (Democratic Services Officer)  
Inspector M. Peasgood (Humberside Police) – minute 104  
J. Craig (Head of Planning) – minute 105  
A. Burton (Assistant Director Streetscene Services) – minute 106  
R. Stephenson (Head Of Highways, Transport Strategy and Design) – minute 107-108  
A. Wilson – (Streetcare and Open Spaces Strategic Manager) – minute 109  
L. Jamil (Head of Service, Strategy, Market Intervention and Growth) – minute 110  
M. Quigley (Housing Tenancy Manager) – minute 110-111

Apologies

<b>Minute No.</b>	<b>Description/Decision</b>	<b>Action By/Deadline</b>
<b>NON-EXEMPT ITEMS</b>		
101	<b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b>  No declarations were made in respect of the following agenda items.	Members Information
102	<b>MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 26TH NOVEMBER 2020</b>  The Democratic Services Officer submitted the minutes of the meeting held on 26 <sup>th</sup> November 2020, for approval.  <b>Agreed:-</b> That the minutes of the meeting of this Committee held on 26 <sup>th</sup> November 2020, having been printed and circulated, be taken as read and correctly recorded and be signed by the Chair.	
103	<b>PUBLIC QUESTIONS</b>  The Democratic Services Officer informed the Committee that no public questions had been received.	

104	<p><b>COMMUNITY SAFETY UPDATE</b></p> <p>The Local Inspector attended the meeting and updated the Committee on policing and community safety issues in the North Area.</p> <p>Members were informed that there had been a reduction across the majority of categories; however there had been an increase in drug-related offences. Operation Conquest had been launched to tackle organised crime and had increased the level of staffing and patrols in the area. The increase in drug-related offences recorded had been regarded as a positive result, insofar as this was evidence that intelligence and policing activity was working and these were no longer available on the streets.</p> <p>Members were further updated on Humber Talking and the implementation of Smart Contact, which would improve the accuracy of the statistics through the realignment of the boundaries.</p> <p>Members discussed the successful work undertaken to tackle graffiti and Operation Conquest. The local Inspector reiterated that a further discussion could be arranged to provide further insight into Operation Conquest outside of the meeting, if required.</p> <p><b>Agreed: -</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) That the update be noted;</li> <li>(b) that a meeting is arranged between the local Inspector and the Orchard Park Ward Members to enable further discussion around ongoing ward-related issues; and</li> <li>(c) that the statistics be circulated off agenda.</li> </ul>	Inspector Peasgood, Community Manager
105	<p><b>STRATEGIC HOUSING LAND AVAILABILITY ASSESSMENT 2020</b></p> <p>The Director of Regeneration submitted a report, which sought Members views with regard to the contents the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment 2020 (SHLAA 2020) as part of the Planning Service Evidence Base to underpin Development Management recommendations/decisions and Planning Policy creation and monitoring.</p> <p>Members were advised that the report set out the supply of housing across the city and issues around deliverability. This</p>	

represented a key planning document and assisted in the determination of planning applications and provided a strong evidence base upon which to defend the Council's position.

The Local Plan was adopted in 2016 and established a housing requirement to build in the region of 10,000 new houses by 2032, which was an average of 620 per annum. In terms of achievement 3,443 had been delivered. The vast majority of sites were already identified in the Local Plan and there was a specific five year requirement set out by Government to establish a plan of available sites. Ten sites had been identified in the North Area, seven of which already had planning approval.

The sites in the North Area contributed a total of 250 houses, 150 of which were located at the council-owned Dane Park and Isledane sites; and 103 x 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, which was privately owned. The majority of sites in the city were privately owned; and whilst there was clearly more control over council-owned sites, anyone could apply for planning approval and the Planning Department would work with willing land owners to bring these sites forward, where there was an appetite to build.

Members sought further clarification around Haworth Park Playing Fields, on the grounds that they believed that the Area Committee had previously objected to the development of this site. In response, Members were informed that the table in question identified a number of sites which had been promoted by third parties, however these had not been recognised by the Council as suitable sites. The SHLAA focussed on potential for housing but the Planning Authority had to determine whether it was a sensible and sustainable site to bring forward. These were still reflected in the SHLAA but were not promoted sites.

A further query was raised with regard to site 32, which was a former church on Lambert Street. Members reiterated that the condition continued to deteriorate and they were keen to see this resolved as soon as possible. Reference was made to the former Newland Primary School, which had been sympathetic converted into flats and provided a good example of what could be achieved. In response, Members were informed that the Lambert Street site had been problematic, however the property had been included for further review within the Buildings at Risk quarterly update to the next Planning Committee and there was a keenness to seek some resolution.

The Head of Planning reiterated that the only capacity to influence the allocation of land was via the review of the Local Plan. It was anticipated that the Local Plan would be brought back to the Committee for review in due course.

	<p><b>Agreed: -</b></p> <p>(a) That the North Area Committee notes the contents the SHLAA 2020 as this is a part of the Planning Service Evidence Base to underpin Development Management recommendations/decisions and Planning Policy creation and monitoring;</p> <p>(b) that the North Area Committee supports the recommendation for the Head of Planning, in consultation with the Chair of the Planning Committee to be authorised, if necessary, to make any minor drafting changes to the SHLAA 2020 prior to publication;</p> <p>(c) that Ward Members receive further clarification of the exact location of the 103 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue site;</p> <p>(d) that Ward Members concur that Haworth Park Playing Fields is not deemed suitable for housing land; and</p> <p>(e) that Ward Members continue to have concerns around the continued deterioration of the abandoned church site on Lambert Street. Members are keen to see this resolved as soon as possible and request that they are kept informed on the progress.</p> <p><u>Reasons for Recommendations</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The NPPF requires Local Planning Authorities to prepare a SHLAA annually but it is considered important that members of all Area Committees are fully cognisant of the contents of the report in question.</li> <li>• It should be remembered that the SHLAA details housing supply, including a 5 year deliverable housing supply, to maintain a supply of housing permissions and Local Plan housing allocations to meet the Local Plan housing requirement.</li> </ul>	Head of Planning
106	<p><b>CCTV UPATE BRIEFING</b></p> <p>The Assistant Director of Streetscene Services submitted a briefing paper, which updated Members on the developments and forthcoming developments with the management of CCTV, back office infrastructure and strengthening of Surveillance Camera Commissioner Code of Practice (CoP), and sought Members views with regard to the best way forward for the management of local area cameras.</p>	

	<p>Members were largely supportive, however assurance was sought that all cameras would remain in their current location, should the management be undertaken by Civic. In response, Members were informed that there was no intention to take over the ownership or placement of the cameras, provided this was in accordance with GDPR regulations, however there would be some additional benefits to the Area Teams, such as access to data reports.</p> <p>Further discussion took place around environmental crime and fly-tip monitoring and whether it would be difficult or more costly or difficult to add cameras to the network. In response, Members were informed that new technology was much lighter and cheaper and therefore no issues were envisaged. Civic were able to pick up alerts and recordings were instantaneous, which would aid fly-tip related data collection.</p> <p>Members were informed that a further report would be submitted to the committee in due course.</p> <p><b>Agreed:</b> - That the briefing paper be noted.</p>	<p>Assistant Director of Streetscene Services</p>
<p>107</p>	<p><b>MAJOR PROJECTS AND INFRASTRUCTURE HIGHWAYS REPORT</b></p> <p>The Assistant Director Major Projects &amp; Infrastructure, submitted a briefing paper, which updated the Committee on the progress of highways related projects and schemes, together with anticipated dates for completion and costs within the North Area.</p> <p>Members discussed ongoing issues around Ellerburn Avenue. Members were informed that some further investigation was required around a section of unregistered land and as such it was anticipated that this would roll into the 2021/22 programme.</p> <p>A further discussion took place around a scheme in Goddard Avenue. Members were advised that there was no obvious resolve to increase parking etc. however further discussion could be undertaken at Ward level. Members reiterated that issues around the previously allocated funds remained unresolved.</p> <p>The Community Manager informed Members that the funding was no longer in the budget and as such, further discussions was required at Ward level.</p> <p><b>Agreed:</b> -</p>	

	<p>(a) That the briefing paper be noted,</p> <p>(b) that further discussion be undertaken at Ward level to resolve ongoing issues around Goddard Avenue and the funding of the project; and</p> <p>(c) that Members receive a further update on the Stanbury Road slurry sealing.</p>	<p>Head of Highways, Transport Strategy And Design and Community Manager</p>
<p>108</p>	<p><b>CYCLING UPDATE</b></p> <p>The Assistant Director of Streetscene Services submitted a briefing paper, which updated the Committee on the cycling budget and progress against the delivery of schemes in the North Area.</p> <p>Members were informed that the scheme had a slightly different emphasis than previously envisaged.</p> <p>During their discussions Members sought further clarification as to whether the Beverley Road scheme plans were ready. In response, Members were informed that, whilst there was some work that could be undertaken quickly, the majority of the scheme was at the outline design stage and the junction of Beverley Road would take longer to design and deliver. Further discussion would be undertaken at Ward level once a comprehensive design was prepared.</p> <p>Members were further informed that a review was ongoing with regard to the Cottingham link. There were two potential routes being considered, and it was anticipated that further information would be available by Easter 2021.</p> <p><b>Agreed:</b> -That the briefing paper be noted.</p>	
<p>109</p>	<p><b>OPEN SPACE UPDATE</b></p> <p>The Assistant Director, Streetscene submitted a briefing paper, which updated Members on the review of the Open Space Strategy and Playing Pitch Strategy and sought direction on the priorities of Members in regard to the provision and development of open space going forward.</p> <p>Members were informed that the pandemic had highlighted the importance of the city's parks and open spaces and the number of residents that had little or no garden for recreational activity and exercise. The Open Space Strategy considered both Council and privately owned sites, which were accessible to</p>	

members of the public and officers were keen to utilise Members' local knowledge.

Further discussion took place around the land south of Sutton Road, near Sutton Road bridge. Members suggested that there was window of opportunity to hold discussion with the new land owners and establish whether they would be open to working with the Council to address the ongoing issues and improve the space.

Members reiterated that a significant amount of funding had been invested in Philip Larkin Close amenity green space and King George V Playing Fields, and Members were also in the process of engaging with residents of 33<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and were keen to invite residents' views as to what could be achieved with regard to the local amenity green space. In response, Members were informed that the review sought to protect the value of green space and would enhance any ongoing consultation.

Further discussion took place around public consultation and whether this would be undertake more widely. In response, members were informed that this briefing paper was just a starting point and sought to add value to the Open Space Strategy and build upon Trees for Climate and mental health awareness. There was a tendency to concentrate on larger citywide parks; however this provided the opportunity to review at a local level and sought to address not just the open space but where there may be a need for a bench etc.

**Agreed:-**

- (a) That the briefing paper be noted;
- (b) that the list be updated to include a small play area on Tudor Drive;
- (c) that the Streetcare and Open Spaces Strategic Manager ascertains whether the new land owner would be receptive to working with the Council to address the ongoing issues and improve the land south of Sutton Road and that he attends a future ward meeting to discuss potential options for the site;
- (d) that clarification is sought as to whether the amenity green space at Philip Larkin Close is adopted and if not, what steps can be undertaken to progress with the adoption of this land; and
- (e) that Members undertake further review at Ward level

b-e) Open Spaces Strategic Manager

	and forward any further comments to the Open Spaces Strategic Manager.	
110	<p><b>NORTH REGENERATION PROJECTS</b></p> <p>The Head of Housing Strategy and Renewal submitted a briefing paper, which updated Members on the Neighbourhood Renewal projects in the North Area.</p> <p>Members were informed that Unity in the Community had not secured planning approval as yet due to the unilateral undertaking relating to the site as they were not the land owners; however they continued to be supported throughout the process.</p> <p>A further discussion took place around Dane Park and a new approach to increase the desirability, which included a choice of finishes.</p> <p><b>Agreed: -</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) That the briefing paper be noted; and</li> <li>(b) that Members receive further clarification that all residents of Axdane have been fully updated on the progress.</li> </ul>	Head Of Service Strategy, Market Intervention And Growth
111	<p><b>NORTH AREA HOUSING BUDGETS</b></p> <p>The Assistant Director Neighbourhoods &amp; Housing submitted a report, which updated Members on the balances within the three Housing area Budgets for the North Area.</p> <p>Members were informed that some additional projects had been identified, including a section of the footpath near to Thorpepark School and some fencing work in the Beverley and Newland Ward. It was anticipated that all budgets would be fully committed.</p> <p><b>Agreed: -</b> that the briefing paper be noted.</p>	Assistant Director Neighbourhoods & Housing
112	<p><b>NORTHERN AREA HOUSING PERFORMANCE FOR THE PERIOD UP TO THE END OF NOVEMBER 2020</b></p> <p>The Assistant Director, Neighbourhoods &amp; Housing submitted a briefing paper, which updated the Committee on the performance of the North Area Housing Team and the Housing</p>	

	<p>Investment Team for the period up to the end of 30th November 2020, as contained in Appendix (a) of the report.</p> <p>Members were informed that the North Area had achieved its highest rent collection since 2007 at 121%. There had also been 1000 allocations during lockdown.</p> <p><b>Agreed: -</b></p> <p>(a) That the briefing paper be noted; and</p> <p>(b) that the North Area Housing Team be commended for their achievements around rent collections and relets during the lockdown period.</p>	<p>Assistant Director, Neighbourhoods &amp; Housing</p>
<p>113</p>	<p><b>NORTH WARD BUDGETS AND SECTION 106 FUNDS</b></p> <p>The Assistant Director, Neighbourhoods &amp; Housing submitted a report, which updated the Committee on the 2020-2021 Ward budget allocations for the North Area in relation to Ward Budgets and Section 106 monies, and to seek Committee agreement to the allocation of funds received in connection with planning agreements for the enhancement of public open space in the North Area.</p> <p>Members were advised that carry forward figures had now been confirmed and further discussion would be undertaken at ward level around the updated balance budget sheets.</p> <p><b>Agreed: -</b></p> <p>(a) That the Ward budget balance for each ward as set out in paragraphs 6.1, 6.2 and 6.3 be noted.</p> <p>(b) that from the Orchard Park Ward planning funds, the sum of £61,235.50 (App ref 15/00788/FULL) be re-allocated to; progress the installation of play equipment at Quillcourt/ Nashcourt at a cost of £20,614.52 and the enhancement of Shaw Park at a cost of £40,620.98. This agreement relates to funds provided from within the council for the building of Council owned properties in lieu of contributions that would be received from a developer for a private sector development.</p> <p><u>Reasons for Recommendations</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To inform Members of the remaining unallocated ward budgets in the North Area to ensure the consideration of all future applications is within the total available</li> </ul>	<p>Assistant Director, Neighbourhoods &amp; Housing</p>

	<p>balances for the ward.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The s.106 Planning Obligation Protocol, December 2014 (updated December 2015) requires project details and costings to be endorsed by Planning Services and then confirmed by the Area Committee.</li> </ul>	
114	<p><b>NORTH AREA NEIGHBOURHOOD MANAGEMENT UPDATE</b></p> <p>The Assistant Director, Neighbourhoods &amp; Housing submitted a briefing paper, which updated the Committee on Ward activity across the North Area Team.</p> <p>Members were updated with regard to a recent staffing appointment.</p> <p><b>Agreed –</b> That the briefing paper be noted.</p>	
115	<p><b>RESOLUTION LIST</b></p> <p>The Democratic Services Officer submitted a list of actions that had been agreed at previous meetings. Members commented on the progress of the actions contained within the Resolution List.</p> <p><b>Agreed: -</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) That minutes 90b and 91c be deleted from the resolution list; and</li> <li>(b) that all remaining items be retained until such time as matters are resolved.</li> </ul>	a-b) Democratic Services Officer – NS
116	<p><b>WORK PROGRAMME</b></p> <p>The Democratic Services Officer submitted the Committee’s Work Programme.</p> <p><b>Agreed:-</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) That the Work Programme be noted; and</li> <li>(b) that Members are invited to forward and suggestions for future agendas to the Chair or Democratic Services Officer for review.</li> </ul>	Democratic Services Officer

