

Item 3, Annex One:

East Area Committee: 30 November 2020

East Area Committee's Delivery Plan 2020 / 2023



The Plan is a working document, which will include addition information from other public sector partners and VCS Area Network, where relevant.

The Plan commits the Area Committee to a significant number of priorities, which will be delivered within the East of Sunderland, to address the key issues raised by residents. The Plan will be monitored by the Area Committee and actions will be addressed throughout the next three years via the East Neighbourhood and Communities Board.

Residents will be able to monitor delivery of the plan via the online activity tracker which will be available to access at www.sunderland.gov.uk as well as through quarterly Area Committee update reports. The East Area Priorities for 2020 – 2023 are:

1. Tackle empty properties
2. Derelict land
3. Affordable homes
4. Love Where You Live
5. Enforcement
6. Highways, pavements and street lighting
7. Parks, play, cycle and walking routes
8. Community cohesion
9. Support voluntary and community sector
10. Volunteer platform
11. Neighbourhood Watch
12. Reduce fear of crime
13. Preserve heritage

It is now the responsibility of East Sunderland Area Committee to deliver their Year One Delivery Plan and will form the work programme for the Area Committee and the Neighbourhood and Community Board for the coming months.

NB: numbers are for reference only, they do not list them in priority order.

Neighbourhood Investment priority		
1. Tackle Empty Properties		
Action	Next Steps	Update
Assistant Director Housing to present full update on Housing to East Neighbourhood and Community Board	East Area Committee to consider update and how they can enhance and support the offer within the East area.	<p>The Assistant Director of Housing attended the November 2020 Board meeting and provided an update on the Council becoming a Registered Provider in November 2019, and an Investor Partners with Home England which involved the Council approving the Housing Delivery and Investment Plan of £59m in February 2020 to deliver new social housing across three areas: i) Empty Properties; ii) Bungalows and iii) Support Accommodation.</p> <p>A recent restructure has strengthened the focus on dealing with empty properties. Over the last year 106 empty properties have been brought back into use in the East, from the 362 across the City. The majority of the empty properties were privately owned and a blight on local communities. The Housing Team are currently targeting empty property acquisitions and undertaking enforcement in the Hendon ward, working with Back on the Map and Thirteen Group. This work is supported by Environmental Health and Enforcement Officers, dedicated to improving housing standards by addressing concerns, mainly in the privately rented sector by tackling rogue landlords.</p> <p>In the East area the majority of empty properties fall within the Hendon, Millfield and St Michael's wards. Concerns were raised at the amount of empty properties, which were formerly used by students that now stand empty, as the City has seen a surge in higher spec student accommodation. 'Older' properties i.e. cottages in the Millfield ward, are left empty having a negative impact on the local community. Currently the Empty Properties Team are working on 18 empty properties in Millfield alone.</p> <p>In the short term, to support local Councillors deal with queries, it was agreed share details of a dedicated Officer who Members can contact directly with housing related issues.</p>
Request an update from the University regarding any future	Area Community Development Lead (ACDL) to provide	Representatives attended the November 2020 Board meeting and provided an update on the One Campus Master Plan (downloaded from: https://my.sunderland.ac.uk/display/aboutus/2018/04/01/one+campus+masterplan)

plans for Clanny House and The Precinct.	elected members with the update. In order to keep the community informed of any potential developments.	<p>Clanny House: the site is earmarked for long term disposal, but due to a long term lease it makes the disposal of the site more difficult.</p> <p>The Precinct: the site is earmarked for long term disposal. The University agreed to discuss their ideas and suggestions with Area Committee at a future meeting.</p> <p>The University confirmed that they are consulted on planning applications relating to proposals for larger scale student accommodation and would welcome the opportunity to be consulted on all planning proposals relating to student accommodation, in the city, regardless of the number of units involved.</p>
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2. Review all derelict land and properties and develop plan to address each site with partners and residents to further create green and cultural communities

Action	Next Steps	Update
Executive Director Economy and Place to provide an update on derelict land and properties to East Neighbourhood and Communities Board.	East Area Committee to consider update and how they can support the development of sites within the East area e.g. potential future development of Athol Road / Middle Hendon area.	<p>The Assistant Director of Housing attended the November 2020 Board meeting and provided an update Middle Hendon area development at Harrogate and Amberley Street.</p> <p>In partnership with Thirteen Housing Group, Cabinet approval to enter into agreement to finalise the feasibility of a housing development project which will deliver 100 affordable new homes for rent. Housing will be a mixture of bungalows for older people and two- and three-bedroom family homes. Initial surveys for feasibility are due to be completed by December 2020. If feasibility is positive planning will be applied and work could start on site in approximately late Spring 2021</p>

3. Create more affordable homes

Action	Next Steps	Update
Assistant Director Housing to present full update on Housing to East Neighbourhood and Community Board	East Area Committee to consider update and how they can enhance and support the offer within the East area.	It was noted that Partners (Gentoo, Thirteen, Home Housing, etc.) deliver affordable homes to residents in the City. The Council will bring added value to the social housing market by specialising in bungalows and supported accommodation. A good example of this, is the Council's first new build development in nearly 40 years at Cork Street, which is estimated at £4m investment. Providing 17 bungalows, 16 fully adapted bungalows and 1 general

needs bungalow. Supported by a new Day Centre for those with physical disabilities, which replaces the existing North East Disability Resource Centre based in the old Cork Street Nursery building. The development is currently ongoing with completion due early 2022.

4. Launch 'Love where you live' campaign

Action	Next Steps	Update
<p>Continue with litter picks and support the Rangers to continue to organise and advertise opportunities for residents / schools, etc to get involved.</p>	<p>ACDL to organise a Teams meeting in August with Rangers and extend invitation to Area Cllrs to discuss existing programme and potential improvements.</p>	<p>Performance management meetings have been held in August and November 2020 with the six partners. Although Covid has impacted on the amount of volunteers being able to engage in the projects, and no visits have been able to take place in local primary schools the Rangers projects has continued to deliver daily litter picks across the East, environmental task days and virtual educational campaigns. Recently, the Rangers contributed information into the 'Invest in Park's' report.</p> <p>The project is due to end in December 2020. It was agreed to discuss an evaluation of the project at the December Board meeting.</p>
<p>To continue Walk and Talk programme, but with the understanding that requests for improvements / community solutions do not need an organised walk but will need three Cllrs to agree to proposal along with service provider.</p>	<p>ACDL to follow up on outstanding works from lockdown period and provide Cllrs with an update position.</p>	<p>A review of the Walk and Talk programme was discussed in September. Area Committee approved a further £75,000 to be split evenly across each ward and added onto existing budgets. Based on experiences from year one, requests for projects: i) can be submitted via a street walkabout with residents, or ii) directly from Councillors which relates to feedback based on the Let's Talk resident's consultation exercise, or concerns raised by residents to Councillors. Iii) all projects must have the majority of ward Councillors approval and support from the relevant Services area, iv) with the main objective being to resolve local issues impacting on the quality of life for residents.</p> <p>The financial position of the ward budgets will be reviewed in December 2020, with the understanding that any unallocated grant could be returned to Area Committee budget to re-allocate.</p>

5. Ensure all available enforcement powers are used to tackle those who continue to fly tip, drop litter and spoil the neighbourhood

Action	Next Steps	Update
<p>Look into the possibility of establishing a Multi-agency team approach to addressing ongoing fly tipping on church commissioners land across Ryhope ward. Including securing boundary's and entrances to prevent unauthorised access by motor vehicles.</p>	<p>ACDL to organise a Team's meeting with those officers initially to consider the feasibility of this action.</p>	<p>Ryhope Task Group has been established. To address the following concerns: Environmental Crime and Waste Management; Reinstating King George 5th Playing Fields and Featherbed Lane Allotments, tackling unauthorised access of motor vehicles at certain pinch points across the ward.</p> <p>At a meeting in November the Group agreed a list of key actions to deliver with an update to be presented at a future meeting in December 2020.</p> <p>Updates will be presented to Area Committee, as and when appropriate.</p>
<p>Look into the possibility of a Multi-agency approach to address motorcycle disorder across Ryhope. Action Plan has already been developed in partnership with Local Neighbourhood officer, Local Councillor and Tim Ducker. Meeting to be established with Partners including landowners and stakeholders to establish way forward</p> <p>Look into the restriction of access to motorcycles onto King George the 5th playing field and the feasibility of reinstating the football pitches.</p>	<p>As above</p>	<p>As above.</p> <p>During October and November 2020 informal discussions have been held Local Services and Property Services to understand the process involved in reinstating the football pitches. During this time frame local Councillors identified a local group who are interested in supporting the council with bringing this under used area of land back into use. The group is Ryhope Community Association Junior Football Club. Discussions have been held with representatives from the</p>

		<p>Management Committee who are interested in maintaining the land and using the playing fields as a sporting community hub to expand their Club to attract female coaches and players, as well as, working with other Sport Clubs in the area (cricket, boxing, rugby, fishing, etc) to encourage people outdoors, improving their health and wellbeing.</p> <p>The Scheme could be the first in the East area to deliver action against the Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy since being approved in March 2020 by Cabinet. Demonstrating the Council's commitment to link asset management to neighbourhood plans by identifying how to support local people to take over council assets for the benefit of their communities.</p> <p>Members are requested to note and endorse the move to reinstate the playing fields known locally as, King George 5th playing field.</p>
<p>Thing BIG, Act Local Millfield. Following on from the Reclaim the Lanes project resident's pledged to keep their back lanes tidy, manage their bins correctly and report fly tipping. In return, the Council would carry out a deep clean of the back lanes to bring them up to standard. Once the works have been carried out Environmental Enforcement Officers will monitor the lanes, taking relevant action against residents if standards fall.</p>	<p>ACLD to arrange a site visit with representatives from Local Services and Environmental Enforcement to agree works and timescales.</p>	<p>In October 2020 a site visit was held to discuss the deep clean project between Area Arrangements, Local Services and Environmental Enforcements in the back lanes around the Lime Street area. However, a change in the project was discussed and presented to the Millfield Councillors for consideration, who agreed to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • tidying up the raised beds and the gable ends of the terraced houses, near Lime Street Pocket Park. • removing the shrubs and bushes and planting a tree, as a focal point. • repointing the brickwork and cleaning the moss off the paths. • painting the metal perimeter railings surrounding the Park, and the goal posts. • install a bench and new bin. <p>If the budget allows, a few small play features could be added to the site i.e. exercise trail. This will create a bigger impact and last longer than a deep clean of the back lanes.</p> <p>The works are expected to be delivered as part of Local Services Winter Programme.</p>

6. Invest in highways, pavements and street lighting

Action	Next Steps	Update
Potential speed calming measures / traffic hotspots at the following locations:	Area Co-ordinator (AC) to consider if other Area Committees are requesting the implementation of additional traffic calming measures and discuss the feasibility and timescales for implementation with relevant officers initially. With a view to arranging a Task Group to develop implementation plan.	At the November Board meeting it was agreed to set up a Task Group. The purpose of the Task group will be to meet outside of Board meetings to develop the detail of specific area priorities. More exploratory in nature, to gather information and work with relevant partners and officers to develop proposals which in all cases come back to Board. The Board will finalise recommendations before being presented to Area Committee for decision. Area Committee are requested to approve the following nominations for representation on the Task Group, these are: Doxford Ward: Cllr Fagan Hendon Ward: Cllr Scanlan Millfield Ward: Cllr A Wood Ryhope Ward: Cllr Hunt St Michael's Ward: Cllr P Wood
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Consider possibility of replacing grass verge with concrete at Laurel Grove. 	Update October 2020 Board.	If endorsed, the ACDL will co-ordinate future meetings and update reports into the Board and Area Committee. A site visit was carried out in October 2020, and St Michael's Councillors carried out consultation with the residents who reside in properties 2-44 Laurel Grove. It was unanimously agreed to concrete over the grass verges outside their properties. Works are due to be completed over the Winter.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Cloisters, especially the junction on Tunstall Vale road. 		This site will be considered by the Task Group with an update presented to a future meeting.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Leechmere Way leading to Essen Way at the top of Strawberry Bank and the roundabout. 		This site will be considered by the Task Group with an update presented to a future meeting.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Consider traffic calming measure along Commercial Road near Blue House Pub / Grangetown Primary School. 		<p>This site will be considered by the Task Group with an update presented to a future meeting.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Traffic calming measures at Hall Farm Road 		<p>This site will be considered by the Task Group with an update presented to a future meeting.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Installation of a pedestrian crossing at Haddington Vale 		<p>This site will be considered by the Task Group with an update presented to a future meeting.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Look into the possibility of traffic calming measures at Stockton Road (section between St Benedict's Hospice and Hopewood Roundabouts) 		<p>This site will be considered by the Task Group with an update presented to a future meeting.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ traffic calming measures at Black Road. 		<p>This site will be considered by the Task Group with an update presented to a future meeting.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Traffic calming measures at and Hollycarrside Road / Toll Bar Road. 		<p>This site will be considered by the Task Group with an update presented to a future meeting.</p>
<p>Update to be provided on amount of investment planned by Highways Services for highways, pavements and street lighting replacement programme.</p>	<p>Highways Maintenance Programme for 2021 - 2022 to be presented to Neighbourhood and Community Board for discussion and recommendation to East Area Committee.</p>	<p>All East Councillors received notification to nominate damaged or uneven highways in the wards and forward the information onto the Highways Department to enable Highways Inspectors to visit the sites and propose a future works programme at the February Board meeting.</p> <p>The deadline was extended until the end of November 2020, and all Members are encouraged to submit roads from their wards.</p>

7. Invest in Parks, play areas, cycle and walking routes in consultation with residents and users

Action	Next Steps	Update
Invest in Parks	Area Committee to consider the potential for Park developments at future board meeting. Update to November 2020 Board.	At the November Board meeting a Park Profile was shared with Members identifying previous works carried out in the Parks in the last 12 months carried out by the East Rangers and Local Services, proposed works scheduled to be carried out in the next 12 months and a list of potential investment opportunities that could be funded by area resources. Members are requested to approve the proposed projects listed, in principle, subject to an application form, costings and consultation to be carried out.
Backhouse Park – gather information on any potential plans or opportunities to develop the Park.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To clean and dredge out the whole stream running through the centre of the Park. Renew the gate in the middle of Ryhope Road with a replica copy and cut back the trees to open up the space and make it lighter.
Barley Mow – consider its development into a holistic outdoor wellbeing hub		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Install new benches and bins
Burn Park – gather information on any potential plans or opportunities to develop the Park		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investigate the feasibility of establishing a new entrance and pathway through the Eastern side of the park. Install an information sign / notice board in the Park and enhance the existing signage at the entrances of the Park. Investigate the feasibility of reinstalling a drinks fountain Install a bench and bins
Doxford Park – was under section 12 (tackling youth disorder but moved to section 5)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Park Ranger Mural project on the depot gates New signage at the main entrance and remove the pedestrian gate Main entrance at Silksworth Road: mural art project located on the depot gates to improve the appearance

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Main entrance at Silksworth Road: look to bring the derelict building next door to the Friends Groups / CMS office back into use. • Lake and cascade: Closed loop water feature installed • Meadow: Create a family friendly picnic area including family picnic tables around the new islands
<p>Look into the possibility of investment into Ryhope Recreation Park to bring back into use tennis courts and old bowling green. Fencing to be renewed and surfaces repaired. Emphases would need to be placed on securing agreement from the Church Commissioners to demolish old caretaker's house to address anti-social behaviour and maximise parks facilities as the initial step</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Renew the fencing around the tennis court • Install a new multi use games station on the old tennis court • Demolish the derelict caretakers house • Look at demolishing the empty buildings nears the play area
<p>Riverside Sunderland will see more than 0.5 billion investment focus on developing the City Centre covering employment, business investment and housing. The Area Committee will support the delivering of the Programme by aiming to establish a Friends Group of Galley's Gill / Festival Park to support community engagement and participation within the green space and</p>	<p>ACDL to liaise with local VCS Groups within the area and consider the best way forward to set up a Friends Group.</p>	

encourage it to flourish and become an outdoor hub for community activity.		
8. Development community cohesion to allow all people of different social backgrounds, ethnicities, faiths, and generations to interact with and relate to each other in a positive way		
Action	Next Steps	Update
Consider inviting guest speakers to the Board to discuss any issues and potential solutions in the area	If possible, invite to January 2021 Board.	
East's More Males project is funded until May 2021. It involves three VCS Groups encouraging men over 50, who are socially and mentally isolated to interact in their local community in positive activities.	Performance update due in January 2021	
East's Positive Parenting project is funded until March 2021. It involves four VCS Groups working with families who have children under the age of 5 who need support helping their children reach the development stages and milestones associated to age abilities.	Performance update due in January 2021.	

9. Support the voluntary and community sector to provide additional services and extend opening times within local community venues as well as host community events, activities and nurture family learning

Action	Next Steps	Update
The importance of Blue Watch to St Michael's ward was recognised, especially in relation to support to children in need from the Grangetown and Hill View area. Support and invest in Blue Watch to establish a community hub in St Michael's ward.	ACDL to look into potential opportunities for a base in the area and discuss feasibility at a future board.	
The Box are currently preparing a business and funding strategy to justify the expansion of the building, if favourable, invite representatives along to discuss future plans and consider allocating capital funding to support the initiative.	July 2021 receive an update.	
Support CHANCE to turn the disused car park into a community play area.	Receive an update from CHANCE at Oct or Nov meeting	During October 2020 a community consultation exercise was carried out asking children, young people, families and local residents what they would like to see developed in the car park. The results of the consultation will be shared with the Board in December 2020.
Evaluate Community Connectors programme, with a view to funding a new programme for 2021 / 2022	Review at September Board to enable Area Committee to consider approving funding.	During August 2020 information was gathered against all 29 projects funded under the 2019 Community Connectors Programme. It was noted that seven projects have ended, as they had continued to deliver throughout lockdown. Eight projects had been extended due to the building closing down, with staff being furloughed or volunteers being over 70 and having to self-isolate. Fourteen projects needed the

		<p>end date of the project to be revised as the building still remains closed and discussions are pending.</p> <p>Several projects were highlighted as performing well and have been extended, with £49,900 being approved by Area Committee in September 2020.</p>
<p>Fancy a Day Out aka holiday hunger school holiday programme is funded up until April 2021, involving 9 VCS Groups delivering 140 sessions.</p>	<p>Update to November Board on Summer and October Half Term activities.</p>	<p>At update on the Fancy a Day Out Programme was provided to the November Board meeting. Key heading statistics include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nine members from East VCS Area Network delivered the scheme between the 21 July and 4 September 2020 • 115 sessions were delivered across the Summer School holidays. • 387 individuals regularly attended the sessions. • 27 volunteers supported the delivered of the Programme, delivering a variety of roles, from cook, to play co-ordinator to delivery driver. • 2,541 hours of voluntary work was accumulated, which has an estimated value of £30,492 in-kind contribution towards the Programme • £7,464 of addition external funding was awarded to the VCS to enhance the programme with extra food and equipment • In total, £37,126 of match funding was secured against the Neighbourhood Fund investment of £15,625 <p>An update was provided on the sterling work the VCS Groups delivered to help out families eligible for free school meals during the October half term. During the discussion it was agreed to consider extending the Programme over the Christmas holidays, which currently is not included but it was felt to make an exception due to the impact the coronavirus has had on the economy and local job markets in the East area, which has resulted in many families being pushed closer to living in poverty.</p> <p>Funding proposals are being agreed and Members are requested to note that a funding request could be made outside the Committee cycle to support this project.</p>
<p>Get Online (G.O.) continues to provide a digital network across</p>	<p>Evaluation due December 2020.</p>	

<p>the East area and is funded up until December 2020. The project is delivered by five VCS Groups, with each Group having a designated ward to provide access to computers, WiFi and one to one support to people who'd like to expand their digital knowledge and skill sets.</p>		
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10. Launch a volunteer platform to support residents to get involved more within their communities

Action	Next Steps	Update
<p>Co-ordinate volunteers from Covid 19 hub and link with our VCS.</p>	<p>Update volunteer platform to enable matching volunteers to future VCS volunteer requirements in the area.</p>	<p>In July 2020, as the country moved towards the recovery stage of the pandemic, volunteers who were registered on the Covid-19 Volunteering Platform were contacted and asked whether or not they would like to continue to volunteer in their neighbourhood post Covid-19. From a pool of 232 volunteers, 72 residents said yes.</p> <p>Information was gathered from the East VCS Area Network on the latest volunteering opportunities available and a catalogue was produced and shared with the 72 residents.</p> <p>To support the Covid 19 Hub volunteers link with VCS Groups, Area Committee approved a Project which would enable VCS Groups to apply for a small grant up to £500 to cover the costs of items, such as, DBS Checks, training, workwear, etc. if they successfully recruit any of the East Covid-19 Volunteers from the Platform. This funding opportunity was shared with the VCS Area Network and updates will be presented to the Board, as and when appropriate.</p>
<p>Following on from the OSCARS Volunteering Awards Members were keen to host an event</p>	<p>Members need to discuss and agree</p>	<p>The OSCARs event is due to be held in 2021. Due to covid-19 it will be unrealistic to expect the event to be face to face. Ideas are being discussed on how to host a virtual celebration, with a future report due to be presented.</p>

every two years to celebrate and acknowledge the extraordinary commitment of East volunteers.	further details, i.e. dates, categories, etc.	
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11. Establish a Neighbourhood watch/help scheme in partnership with the Police and residents

Action	Next Steps	Update
During Covid-19 residents developed support groups via social media to help each other out. Harness this community spirit to develop structures to develop Neighbourhood Watches or Resident Associations to continue the ethos of communities helping each other post Covid-19. i.e. Alexandra Park Residents Group.	ACDL to bring information to future board meeting re neighbourhood watch schemes. Update to December 2020 Board meeting.	

12. Reduce fear of crime by working in partnership across neighbourhoods to bring communities of all ages together

Action	Next Steps	Update
Joint patrols between Police/ASB Team and Cllrs to develop action plans to address substance misuse, ASB and youth disorder in Blakeney Woods.	ACDL to set up Task group(s) to address hotspot.	An internal meeting was held with colleagues from ASB Team, Environmental Enforcement and Eco Team. A key issue that was flagged up during discussions was around the lack of reports coming through the council's 'Report it' system. It seems the public prefer to talk about issues that impact their community on social media, instead of notifying the authority's. This results in Services not being aware of local concerns and problems being left unaddressed. Contact details of key officers have been shared with local Cllrs, who do receive reports from residents that are actioned, but it was felt many might be 'hidden'. Area Arrangements are currently working with the Communications Team on a social media marketing campaign to get the message out to the public about to report concerns and the many different channels they can use to do this.

Black Path / Mineral Line – repeatedly cleared and cleaned, but ASB remains an issue – consider what else can be done.	Check with West Area Committee priorities and consider setting up a joint Task Group. Proposals from which to come to future board meeting for consideration.	
Strengthen relationships between West Neighbourhood Policing Team and Doxford Cllrs	ACDL to co-ordinate through LMAPs and specific update meetings.	The West Neighbourhood Team have shared contact details with the Doxford Councillors to strengthen relationships, and a written report from the West Inspector is now provided to East Area Committee.
Maximising Community Assets is funded up until March 2021, with four community buildings opening up on a Friday and Saturday night providing an alternative to hanging around the streets.	Performance update due in January 2021	
13. Preserve and celebrate local heritage		
Action	Next Steps	Update
Stephenson Trail opened on the 18 September 1822. Look into the opportunity to improve the trail (info points, app, etc.) and host a celebration event in partnership with Coalfields and West Area Committees, if	To consider alongside Coalfields and West Area Plans. Look into the potential of a Multi Area Task group to develop proposals to	At the September Board meeting with was agreed to nominate representatives from the East to attend a Multi Area Task Group. The representatives would join Councillors from the West Sunderland and Coalfields areas and key stakeholders to: Between now and December 2021: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improve accessibility, where feasible. (currently the trail is not suitable for wheelchairs and pushchairs)

<p>agreeable in 2022 at the turn of its 200th 'birthday'.</p>	<p>come back to a future board.</p> <p>Update February 2021 Board</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve it's visual appearance by carrying out environmental and landscaping works • Consider feature points along the route which may benefit from an installation, which could be an art feature, designated viewing point or an interpretation board. • Carry out historical research about the Trail and provide information and stories about its past relating to its use and purpose. Use the information to inform future marketing information to raise awareness about its influence at a local and international level. • Promote access to local facilities i.e. toilets or points of interest along the route. <p>Between January 2022 and September 2022</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plan, organise and deliver a joint celebration event across all three Areas • Encourage local people and visitors to use the Trail post September 2022 <p>Members are requested to endorse the following representatives, these are:</p> <p>Doxford ward: Cllr Heather Fagan Millfield ward: Cllr Andrew Wood St Michael's ward: Cllr Peter Wood</p> <p>If endorsed, the ACDL will co-ordinate future meetings and update reports into the Board and Area Committee.</p>
<p>To support the Heritage Action Zone initiative, an interpretation board has been funded to enhance the brown sign directing people to Old Sunderland.</p>	<p>Receive a future update from HAZ on the initiative. Update to be arranged.</p>	