

## **EAST SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE**

### **AGENDA**

**Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2023 at 5.30pm**

**VENUE – Council Chamber, City Hall**

#### **Membership**

Cllrs M. Herron (Chair), M. Dixon (Vice Chair), U. Ali, S. Bewick, A. Curtis, H. Fagan, P.W.L. Gibson, N. Hodson, M. Mordey, C. Morrissey, J. Potts, L. Reed, L. Scanlan, A. Wood and P. Wood

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**Assistant Director of Law and Governance**

**17<sup>th</sup> March, 2023**

**At a meeting of the EAST SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE held in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL on MONDAY, 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2022 at 5.30p.m.**

**Present:-**

Councillor Herron in the Chair

Councillors Curtis, Dixon, Fagan, P.W.L. Gibson, Mordey, Potts, Reed, A. Wood and P. Wood.

**Also Present:-**

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| Lee Bell        | - Station Manager, Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service                                |
| Vicky Gamblin   | - Gentoo                                                                                |
| Katie Kelly     | Environmental Services Officer, Sunderland City Council                                 |
| Graham King     | - Director of Adult Services & Chief Operating Officer of SCAS, Sunderland City Council |
| Shaun Makin     | - Station Manager, Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service                                |
| David Noon      | - Principal Governance Services Officer, Sunderland City Council                        |
| Jamie Southwell | - Neighbourhood Inspector, Northumbria Police                                           |
| Gilly Stanley   | - Area Community Development Lead, Sunderland City Council                              |
| Scott Wilson    | - Environmental Services Manager, Sunderland City Council                               |

Representatives from the East Rangers Clean and Green delivery partners

**Chairman's Welcome**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for Absence were received on behalf of Councillors Bewick, Hodson, Morrissey and Scanlan together with Julie Maven (VCS Representative)

**Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

## **Minutes of the Last Meeting of the Committee held on 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2022**

1. RESOLVED that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2022 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

### **VCS Area Network Progress Report**

Having been informed of the submission of apologies from the VCS representative, Members noted that the verbal update would be deferred until the next meeting of the Committee

### **Northumbria Police Update**

Neighbourhood Inspector Jamie Southwell provided the Committee with an update on the crime statistics for the East area and of the work done by Northumbria Police.

Within the Alpha 1 area total crime had decreased by 7%. Anti Social Behaviour had decreased by 15%, Residential burglaries had decreased by 3% against the backdrop of an increase of 39% in other burglaries.

The Alpha 2 area had seen an increase of 4% in total crime. Burglary rates were as those previously reported. Anti Social Behaviour had seen a reduction of 20% this was in part due to the deployment of additional resources along with work being done with the Raich Carter Centre and Young Asian Voices to provide outreach work.

The update on the Doxford Ward was not yet available however Inspector Southwell added that he would be in a position to circulate it on Wednesday of the following week.

Inspector Southwell brief the Committee on Operation Kraken which commenced on 21<sup>st</sup> November and would run until Christmas Eve. It involved uniformed and plain-clothed officers carrying out dedicated patrols to detect and disrupt crime in the city centre. It centred on a targeted approach to ensure Sunderland remained a safe city in the festive run-up for residents, shoppers and businesses.

With regard to the misuse of alcohol, operations over the previous 4 weeks had resulted in a decrease of 86% in street drinking.

The Chairman having thanked Inspector Southwell for his attendance and report it was:-

2. RESOLVED that the update from Northumbria Police be noted.

## **Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service Update**

Station Manager Shaun Makin was in attendance at the meeting to provide an update to the Committee. He advised that following a promotion and a change in his duties, this would be his final meeting of the Committee. He introduced Station Manager Lee Bell who would be representing the Fire and Rescue Service at future meetings.

The Committee was advised that there had been 55 deliberate fires during quarter 3 compared with 56 in the same period last year.

The ward breakdown for deliberate fires was as follows:-

Hendon – 34 – up from 18 last year  
Millfield – 9 – down from 19 last year  
Doxford – 4 – no change from 4 last year  
St Michael's – 6 – down from 7 last year  
Ryhope – 2 – down from 8 last year.

Station Manager Makin placed on record his thanks for all the work undertaken by Partners involved in the darker nights campaign and in the run up to bonfire night. He believed it represented a great example of multi-agency collaboration. This had involved a series of meetings to ensure a joined-up approach. All schools in hot spot areas were initially targeted in the build up to bonfire night with some locations having joint police and fire visits enforcing key ASB and fire safety messages.

Fire Officers and partners had increased their number of walks in Hendon prior to bonfire night as part of an initiative to target specific areas issuing wheelie bin stickers and carrying out litter uplifts. As a result, Hendon had its lowest number of bonfire night fires for years. There was still however an issue with the number of bins left out following a collection.

The Chairman having thanked Station Managers Makin and Bell for their attendance it was:-

3. RESOLVED that the report of the Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service be noted.

## **Gentoo Update**

Vicky Gamblin, Head of Operations, Gentoo Group presented a report, (copy circulated) which provided the Committee with an update on current Gentoo developments, projects and priorities for the period September to December 2022.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Ms Gamblin referred to the recent coverage around the tragic impact mould and damp could have within the home and the concern this could cause tenants. She advised that the health and safety of its tenants was Gentoo's number one priority and to this end a dedicated team had been set up to deal with any concern and provide the necessary support. This included a dedicated phone line (525 5500) where tenants could report any concerns about mould or damp.

In conclusion Ms Gamblin thanked Members for their continued support for, and involvement in the neighbourhood walkabouts.

The Chairman thanked Ms Gamblin for her report and invited questions and comments from the Committee.

In response to a request from Councillor Fagan for an update in respect of the outstanding fence repairs following the damage caused by Storm Arwen, Ms Gamblin stated that the 3 appointed contractors were following a programme starting in the Coalfield area of the city where the outstanding repairs had now been completed. Work was now ongoing in central areas with more than 2,000 jobs in the system. She advised that she would send a copy of the schedule to Ms Stanley so it could be circulated to Committee members.

In response to an enquiry from Councillor PWL Gibson, Ms Gamblin advised that the dedicated team set up to deal with any concern and provide support with regard to damp and mould comprised 10 members of staff, and that the dedicated phone line had taken over 200 calls during its first two weeks of operation.

Councillor A. Wood referred to paragraph 4.7 of the report and advised that the inconvenience to the residents of City Green and Benedict Court referred to was a real problem. In addition, the already existing issue of parking on the pavement was being exacerbated by the demolition of the Civic Centre.

4. RESOLVED that the report from Gentoo be noted.

### **East Sunderland Area Neighbourhood Delivery Plan 2020 - 2023**

The Chair of the East Sunderland Area Neighbourhood and Community Board submitted a report (copy circulated) which provided an update on the East Area Committee Delivery Plan for 2020/2023.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Prior to presenting the report, Councillor Dixon advised that representatives from the East Rangers Clean and Green delivery partners were in attendance to brief the Committee on the outcomes of the project to improve the visual appearance of neighbourhoods in the East Sunderland Area.

Councillor Dixon welcomed and introduced representatives from the Box Youth and Community Project, Back on the Map, Groundwork, Blue Watch Youth Centre, ICOS, The Friends of Doxford Park and the East Area Environmental Services Team who provided Members with a comprehensive powerpoint presentation detailing activities undertaken as part of the project which the Area Committee had supported via funding in the sum of £107,768.

Work centred on physical improvements, such as, grass cutting, pruning, edging, weeding, painting, planting, small tree works, other related gardening and grounds maintenances work, litter picks and educational campaigns.

Examples of the activities included:-

- The clearing of over 10 tonnes of general and green waste from Doxford Park
- The development of an outdoor education area within Doxford Park, the planting of over 150 trees, engaging with local schools to help paint up 90 bird and bat boxes, establishing herb and sensory gardens within the park's walled garden and working with local services to create a stumpery
- A total of 71 community action days facilitated by the Box Youth and Community Project collecting 10.3 tonnes of waste. In addition, there had been 75 litter picks collecting over 15 tonnes of waste and involving 104 adults and 277 children. There had also been activities regarding recycling, tree damage, planters, bird boxes /feeders and bug hotels.
- Groundwork had organised 61 Community Task Days which had included Bulb Planting, Bench Painting, Craft Sessions, Poster Making and involved 103 volunteers. In addition, 56 Community Litter Picks had been undertaken involving Thorneholme RA, Sunderland Police Cadets, Salvation Army, City of Life Church and the 86th Sunderland Scouts. This had resulted in 1009 bags of litter collected.
- Blue Watch had organised various litter picks and community action days to clear pathways and boundaries, creating flowerbeds and cleaning up Ryhope Beach. Educational campaigns had included young people from Blue Watch Youth Centre assembling and painting Bird & Bat Boxes that would be placed in trees within Ryhope Dene and pupils of Ryhope Junior School in partnership with Sustrans planting shrub saplings along the Ryhope to Seaton cycle pathway.
- ICOS had facilitated the fairy trail project to improve and enhance Backhouse Park together with various community events celebrating 100 years of Backhouse Park, the Jubilee, Refuge Week, a Teddy Bear Picnic and 'Let's plant 100 trees together'. 381 adult volunteers and 424 children took part in weekly clean-ups delivering a total of 4771 volunteering hours. As a result, 6685 kg of litter, refuse and green waste was removed from the Backhouse park and St Michael's Ward.

In conclusion Scott Wilson, Environmental Services Manager, Sunderland City Council, provided an overview of the contribution made by all of the East

Rangers Clean and Green delivery partners in striving to improve and maintain the visual appearance of the East Sunderland Area neighbourhoods.

Councillor Dixon thanked everyone who contributed to the project and invited questions and comments from members.

Councillor Curtis paid tribute to all the East Rangers and in particular to the Box Youth Project for their work in respect of disabilities.

Councillor Fagan praised the work undertaken by the friends of Doxford Park and everyone across the East Sunderland area who had given up their time to undertake litter picks. The most disheartening aspect was that within days of an area being left spotless it was as if the litter pick had had never taken place. It was heart-breaking and she struggled to think what the solution could be.

Councillor PWL Gibson endorsed the comments of his ward colleagues and paid tribute to the work undertaken by Steve at the Box Youth Project to support vulnerable adults.

Councillor A. Wood welcomed the creation of the 'stumpery' in Doxford Park. He noted that the East Rangers project as a whole had generated a really positive response on social media. He believed that the Area Committee's social media platforms together with those of the Council's and the press should be used to promote the benefits of volunteering and the enjoyment that it could bring. In addition, he asked if the local businesses in the Toll Bar area could be impressed upon in respect of the litter that they generated.

Councillor Reed paid tribute to the part played by ICOS in the St. Michael's ward and the community spirit generated through participation in the East Rangers project. One particular litter pick had involved residents who had formerly lived in Albania, Ukraine, the USA and Poland.

Councillor Mordey echoed the comments of his Area Committee colleagues and concurred with Councillor Fagan's comments on the never-ending merry go round nature of persistent littering. He believed the East Rangers Clean and Green was one of the most successful projects ever commissioned by the Committee and suggested that it was something it should look to continue and expand upon. On behalf of his absent colleague Councillor Scanlan, he paid tribute to everyone involved in the project. The Chairman Councillor Herron endorsed the comments.

There being no further questions or comments, Councillor Dixon added his own thanks to everyone involved in the successful delivery of the project. He stated that whilst it was natural that Councillors would be interested in the activities carried out in their own wards, the clear message was the importance of the cumulative benefits that the project had delivered across the whole of the East Sunderland area.



Councillor Dixon having then presented the remainder of the East Sunderland Area Neighbourhood and Community Board report, the Chairman thanked him for his presentation and it was:-

6. RESOLVED that:-

- i) the progress and performance update with regard to the East Neighbourhood Investment Delivery Plan 2020/23 be noted; and,
- ii) approval be given to the proposals for the future delivery as contained within Annex 1 of the report.

### **East Area Budget Report**

The Assistant Director of Housing and Communities submitted a report (copy circulated) which provided financial statements in respect of the Area Committee's delegated budgets.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Gilly Stanley, Area Community Development Lead, presented the report highlighting the Committee's financial statement, together with details of projects approved under delegated powers for support from the 2022/23 Community Chest budget. Members were informed that there were no spending proposals before it for consideration this evening and that with one meeting remaining in the current Municipal Year, the East Sunderland Area Committee had a remaining budget of £143,928 Neighbourhood Funding for capital and revenue projects to be allocated.

In response to an enquiry from Councillor Mordey, Ms Stanley confirmed that there had been no change in the fundamental process of allocating Community Chest funds other than the process was now paperless with Councillors no longer receiving a 'physical' copy of the application form.

In response to enquiries from Councillor Dixon, Ms Stanley confirmed the amount of funding the Committee had previously allocated to the East Rangers Clean and Green Project and explained the process should the Committee wish to continue its support for the Project.

Councillor Mordey asked if partners could be invited to apply yearly as part of a rolling East Rangers project? Ms Stanley advised that the East Rangers could not operate as a rolling project. The Committee's delegated budget was confirmed annually at the Budget Council meeting. As a result, the Committee could not operate rolling projects as it could not be certain of the funding it would be able to commit to them.

The Committee having agreed that they wished to continue to support the East Rangers Project in 2023/24, Ms Stanley advised that as the Committee's budgetary position for 2023/24 would be confirmed prior to the next meeting

of the East Sunderland Area Neighbourhood and Community Board, she would invite applications in respect of the East Rangers Project to be submitted for consideration at that meeting.

7. RESOLVED that:-

i) the financial statements set out in Table One, Two and Three of the report be received and noted.

ii) approval be given to the withdrawal of the aligned funding of £34,745 Neighbourhood Fund as detailed in paragraph 2.3 of the report.

iii) Sunderland MIND be invited to submit a smaller scale capital project to develop an outdoor traditional games and wellbeing area to the rear of the building up to a budget of £20,000 and that further information be shared at the Neighbourhood and Community Board in February 2023.

iv) the approval of three Community Chest applications supported from the 2022 / 2023 budget as detailed Item 4, Annex 1 of the report be noted

v) applications be invited in respect of the East Rangers Project to be submitted for consideration at the February meeting of the East Sunderland Area Neighbourhood and Community Board.

**Planning Applications – For Information Only**

Current Planning Applications relating to the East Sunderland Area for the period 10<sup>th</sup> October to 24<sup>th</sup> November 2022 were submitted for Members information only (copy circulated).

(For copy report – see original minutes)

8. RESOLVED that the report be received and noted.

The Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the Meeting.

(Signed) M. HERRON,  
Chairman.

# EAST AREA COMMITTEE

27 March 2023

## REPORT OF GENTOO

### 1 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 The following report provides an update from Gentoo for the East Area Committee from December to March 2023.

### 2 Background

- 2.1 Area Committee agreed that regular updates from Gentoo would be presented to each Committee meeting to enable members to be up to date on current Gentoo developments, projects, and priorities.

### 3 Update on Neighbourhood Services

- 3.1 Gentoo continue to work on a tenancy sustainability plan to support tenants impacted with the cost-of-living crisis, who may be facing poverty because they cannot heat their home, pay their rent, or buy the essentials they need for themselves or their children. Tenancies fail for multiple reasons of which financial resilience is only one, and often a symptom of the real cause, such as vulnerability, relationship breakdown, low incomes, and unemployment.

A Gentoo cost-of-living survey was sent out through social media during November 2022, with tenants asked twelve questions relating to how well they thought they might cope with the cost of living. Within two weeks 1550 responses had been received.

When asked *'how worried are you about the cost-of-living crisis?'* 51% said extremely or very worried with only 6% saying not worried at all. When asked *'how well do you think you will be able to cope with the cost-of-living crisis?'*, 46.47% said either extremely or very well. With 17.78% saying not so well or not well at all. Of all respondents, 76.27% had used a food bank in the previous 6 months. In response to *'What is your biggest concern about the cost-of-living crisis?'* 45.41% of respondents, stated, *'paying rent'* with *'paying energy bills'* at 24.59% and *'buying food'* at 22.47%.

Pension Credit is one of the most underclaimed benefits in the UK and is extra money to help you cover your costs if you're over State Pension age and living on a low income. Gentoo have promoted Pension Credit eligibility through social media and the website to encourage this group of tenants to claim. To also support this age group of vulnerable tenants, Gentoo have worked in partnership with the DWP and Northumbria Water to identify those pensionable age tenants who would qualify for water rates support, the collaborative work with the agencies has resulted in approximately 2,762 tenants being awarded a discount of between 10 and 50% of their water charges (Gentoo now have 8,629 tenants who have benefited from this support).

There continues to be poverty for families receiving universal credit, Gentoo currently have 10,683 tenants claiming universal credit. These tenants are supported monthly during the first four months of their claim by specialist officers, who ensure that access to all available services and financial support is discussed.

We continue to support initiatives such as 'Share the Warmth' campaign which distributes used coats, scarfs, and hats to individuals in need, we continue to work with utility suppliers to support tenants struggling to pay their bills and offer support through Gentoo's 'Crisis Fund'. Currently this year (up to the end of February) 774 requests have been assessed,

and a spend of £28,549 has already issued to tenants to top up their gas and electricity meters. Tenants are still able to access professional Money Matters support should they find themselves in financial difficulty and demand for this service has dramatically increased in the last three months.

- 3.2 The Tenant Satisfaction Measures were created by the Regulator of Social Housing as a new system for assessing how well social housing landlords in England are doing at providing good quality homes and services.  
From 1 April 2023, landlords must start collecting data for the tenant satisfaction measures (TSM's) ready for submission to the regulator in Summer 2024, these results will be published in Autumn 2024.  
The measures are intended to enable residents to scrutinise their landlord and hold them to account. The measures will also be used as a source of intelligence to the Regulator on whether landlords are meeting the regulatory standards. TSM's will be used alongside other tools to gain assurance that housing providers are providing good quality homes and services.  
The TSMs, which will be collected through tenant surveys and landlord data, will cover five main themes, including repairs, building safety, effective complaint-handling, respectful and helpful tenant engagement, and responsible neighbourhood management.  
The Group already have a pilot project underway to ensure readiness for the provision of data to the Regulator. The tenant surveys are being carried out by an independent organisation to allow for honesty and transparency.
- 3.3 We are currently in the final stages of negotiations with Durham Foodbank for our tenants to benefit from a small pilot, which has been designed to support tenants who are currently working with our Money Matters Team with energy vouchers.
- 3.4 The staff from the Ryhope Neighbourhood Team began to hold drop-in sessions at Ryhope Community Centre on 2 February 2023. The sessions will continue to be held on the first Thursday of the month 10am to 11.30am and hope to support the tenants in the area with any housing issues they may wish to discuss.

#### **4. Investment & Renewal**

- 4.1 Currently working with Bamford doors on the security design to replace the vandalised doors in the South Hendon blocks (Corporation Road, Canon Cockin Street & Villette Road). Due to the vandalism in the area, we have (at the time of writing the report) 17 windows awaiting reglazing. Most of these windows have been repeatedly smashed, so as a short-term measure will be glazed with Perspex.
- 4.2 Structural works to start in the basements of The Avenue (Ashbrooke) with additional fire detectors being installed.
- 4.3 Ongoing works in the Long Streets (St Leonards Street, Cairo Street, Hastings Street, Percy Terrace & Corporation Road) to replace 240 front and rear doors. Straightline is the principal contractor on site.
- 4.4 Hedworth Court, previously postponed modernisation of the block is set to commence at the beginning of April 2023.
- 4.5 AOV (automatic opening vents), works are still ongoing in 3L's (Lambton, Londonderry and Lumley Towers) and nearing completion (Equans are the principal contractor on site).

- 4.6 Benedict Court & City Green have benefitted from a communal area make over, with new furniture and carpets (except for the stairwell's).

## **5. Recommendations**

- 5.1 Note the content of this report.

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27 March 2023

## REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF EAST SUNDERLAND NEIGHBOURHOOD AND COMMUNITY BOARD

### East Sunderland Area Committee Delivery Plan 2020-2023

#### 1. Purpose of Report

##### 1.1 This report: -

- a. Provides an update of progress against the Area Priorities associated with the Delivery Plan, which will be the focus for the East Sunderland Area Committee during 2022-2023.
- b. Provides an update on Neighbourhood and Community Board Governance Arrangements for 2022 -2023.

#### 2. Background

- 2.1 Following the approval of the Neighbourhood Investment Plans in March 2020, the East Sunderland Area Committee has worked together to finalise their Delivery Plans. All priorities have been determined following significant resident consultation via Let's Talk Sunderland.

#### 3. Area Committee and Neighbourhood Investment Plan Governance Arrangements

- 3.1 The Area Committees are part of the Council's Executive Function and have two key roles:

- a. Influencing decisions on services delivered at a neighbourhood level; and
- b. Identification of key priorities for their areas, in the context of supporting the delivery of the Council's City Plan at a neighbourhood level and ensuring maximum impact where necessary, through utilising its own resources.

- 3.2 The Article 10 Neighbourhood Investment Plans were approved at Cabinet in March 2020.

- 3.3 It is now the responsibility of each Area Committee to deliver their agreed priorities to support the delivery of the Neighbourhood Investment Plan. Area Committee Delivery Plans have been developed to enable this to happen.

- 3.4 The Neighbourhood and Community Board (N&CB) will be Chaired by the Vice-Chair of the Area Committee. Neighbourhood and Community Board meetings will be held in July, November, February and April and dates are included in the council diary. If required, the Board may convene a further meeting(s) should there be a business need to do so and essential to ensuring delivery of the Area Neighbourhood Investment Plan Delivery Plan. All Committee members are invited to attend all board meetings.

- 3.5 Members will work alongside key officers in what will be practical action orientated groups. It should be noted that the Board is not a decision-making body, and the work / recommendations of the Board will be presented to the Area Committee for final endorsement. The Area Committee Chair and Vice-Chair were agreed at Annual Council in May 2022.

- 3.6 Area Plans from 2023/24 onwards are being developed, with data/intelligence gathering underway. Members will take part in a series of workshops and discussions to recommend priorities and actions for inclusion in these plans, which will be agreed at June 2023 Area Committee.

#### 4. Neighbourhood Investment Delivery Plan 2020-2023- Areas of Key Action/Progress

- 4.1 The Plan, which includes an introduction from the Chair of the Area Committee, commits to a significant number of priorities, which are being delivered within the East Area of Sunderland, to address the key issues raised by residents. The Plan is monitored by the Area Committee and actions will continue to be addressed up to 2023, via the East Sunderland Neighbourhood and Community Board.
- 4.2 Residents will be able to review the Area Committee Delivery Plan and monitor delivery of the plan via the Council's website which is available to access at [www.sunderland.gov.uk](http://www.sunderland.gov.uk), as well as through quarterly Area Committee update reports. Funding to support delivery of the plan has been allocated and further information can be found at **Item 4 Area Budget Report**
- 4.3 Progress against the Delivery Plan has been reported regularly to Neighbourhood and Community Board and Area Committee. Good news stories and promotion of projects and local information have been posted on the East Sunderland Community Facebook page.
- 4.4 Outlined below is a summary of the key areas of action/progress of the Board up to March 2023.

Priority/Issue	Update
Invest in Highways	Highways officers attended the Neighbourhood and Community Board in November and February to discussed schemes for 2023/24. Wards are using the Walk and Talk budget to make any amendments. Schemes are being considered at Area Committee in March.  Details in Item 3 Annex 2
Work with private landlords by ward and proactively deal with issues using all available enforcement powers	A Private Landlord Roadshow took place in 2021 with over 71 attendees. The event targeted private landlords and estate agents who manage portfolios, who received information on the Council's accreditation scheme; dealing with nuisance tenants and vetting systems; energy efficiency grants and environmental health standards. The Housing team have organised a further event for 14 <sup>th</sup> March 2023.
Launch 'Love where you live' campaign	The Area Committee invited the groups to apply to extend the scheme by 12months. These applications were considered at the February Board meeting and the Board are making a recommendation to Area Committee to approve. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Friends of Doxford Park- £21,206</li> <li>• St Michael's -ICOS- £14,974</li> <li>• Doxford- The Box- £15,000</li> <li>• Ryhope – Blue Watch £16,340</li> <li>• Hendon – Back on the Map £15,000</li> <li>• Millfield – Groundworks NE £17,280</li> </ul> Full details are provided in Item 4 Annex 1
Ensure all available enforcement powers are used to tackle those who continue to fly tip, drop	The Environmental Enforcement Team received Neighbourhood Funding to deliver a 12 month project. A 3 month extension was considered at the February Board meeting but due to staffing and recruitment this is unable to progress. The next

litter and spoil the neighbourhood	Neighbourhood and Community Board will consider the progress and performance of the project and future plans. The Board are making a recommendation to Area Committee to approve the funding of 10 Street Watch Cameras to be located across the East. Total value recommended £25,000 NICP Full details in Item 4 Annex 1
Enhance local green spaces to encourage wider use including sports equipment, refurbishment of existing equipment and delivery of activities which support health and wellbeing	Sunderland MIND be invited to submit a proposal which focuses on developing a traditional outdoor games area on a reduced scale and budget, proposal was presented to the Board in February and following discussions on opening the space to the public the board are making a recommendation to approve £28,845 NF to Sunderland MIND with initial opening hours to be an approval condition. Full details in Item 4 annex 1

## 5. Recommendations - Members are requested to: -

- 5.1 Consider the progress and performance update with regard to East Area Committee Delivery Plan 2020/23 and agree proposals for future delivery as contained within **Annex 1**
- 5.2.1 Support the recommendation to approve the East Highways Improvements – details in **Item 3 Annex 2**

Annex 1 East Area Committee Delivery Plan 2020/2023  
Annex 2 East Highway Improvements

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### Item 3, Annex 1: East Area Committee's Delivery Plan 2020 / 2023

#### Updated March 2023 (Q4)

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](http://www.sunderland.gov.uk) as well as through quarterly Area Committee update reports. The East Area Priorities for 2020 – 2023 are:

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|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| 1. Tackle empty properties                 | 15. Social prescribing                     |
| 2. Derelict land                           | 16. Enhance local green space              |
| 3. Private landlords                       | 17. Support voluntary and community sector |
| 4. Affordable homes                        | 18. Volunteer platform                     |
| 5. Love Where You Live                     | 19. Local events                           |
| 6. Enforcement                             | 20. Youth clubs and spaces                 |
| 7. Bloom activities                        | 21. Reduce fear of crime                   |
| 8. Carbon and plastic pollution            | 22. Support local organisations            |
| 9. Highways, pavements and street lighting | 23. Fuel poverty                           |
| 10. Parks, play, cycle and walking routes  | 24. Credit solutions                       |
| 11. Digital technology and 5G              | 25. More than a Foodbank                   |
| 12. Use of existing and vacant properties  | 26. Heritage assets and activities         |
| 13. Job clubs and educational centres      | 27. Preserve heritage                      |
| 14. Community cohesion                     |                                            |

It is now the responsibility of East Sunderland Area Committee to deliver Year Three of the 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		
Links to: A Dynamic Smart City <i>More and better housing</i>		
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>Summary – Between Jan-Jun 21 there were over 3,000 empty properties across the city, with over a third being located within the East area. (Hendon 494; Millfield 247; St Michael's 252; Ryhope 86 and Doxford 56). They are numerous challenges faced by the Council, here are a few: no control over properties becoming empty; owner may have gone into the care system, prison, or property may have become repossessed (lengthy legal process); Houses of Multiple Occupation being vacant, results in 'spikes'; Poor engagement from some Landlords; Absent owners living outside the City. Action and activities being delivered to address the problem are: providing advice and guidance; implementing the EH Strategy and Action Plan; providing financial support; effective Partnerships (Thirteen, Gentoo, Back on the Map); Using enforcement powers; the Council buying empty properties to bring them back into use; linking to national programmes i.e. Mears; Matching potential tenants via the Accreditation and leasing models.</p> <p>Contact details for the Team are: <a href="mailto:empty.properties@sunderland.gov.uk">empty.properties@sunderland.gov.uk</a> or telephone 0800 234 6084 Monday to Friday 8.30am-5pm.</p> <p>Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022</p>
Request an update from the University regarding any future plans for Clanny House and The Precinct.	Area Community Development Lead (ACDL) to provide elected members with the update. In order to keep the community informed of any potential developments.	<p>Summary One Campus Master Plan (downloaded from: <a href="https://my.sunderland.ac.uk/display/aboutus/2018/04/01/one+campus+masterplan">https://my.sunderland.ac.uk/display/aboutus/2018/04/01/one+campus+masterplan</a>) 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. The Precinct: the site is earmarked for long term disposal. The University confirmed that they are consulted on planning applications relating to proposals for larger scale student accommodation and would welcome the opportunity</p>

		<p>to be consulted on all planning proposals relating to student accommodation, in the city, regardless of the number of units involved.</p> <p>Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022</p>
<b>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</b>		
<b>Links to: A Healthy Smart City <i>Cleaner and more attractive city and neighbourhoods</i></b>		
<b>Action</b>	<b>Next Steps</b>	<b>Update</b>
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>Summary</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. An update on the timescale was provided</p> <p>Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022</p>
<b>3. Work with private landlords by ward and proactively deal with issues using all available enforcement powers</b>		
<b>Links to: A Dynamic Smart City <i>More and better housing</i></b>		
<b>Council Activity</b>	<b>Next Steps</b>	<b>Update</b>
Assistant Director Housing to present full update on the Private Rented Sector to East Neighbourhood and Community Board	East Neighbourhood and Community Board to receive an update in August 2021 and consider next steps.	<p>Summary</p> <p>The Council's Accreditation Scheme which is free to access and open to Private Landlords. Benefits of joining include: free marketing, tenant searches and referencing / vetting scheme; advice and support; free waste permit and access to training and links to national webinars, surveys, newsletters, etc. to keep up to date with legislation. The Scheme host's an online Private Landlords Forum. From a tenant's perspective, they receive improved housing standards; improved behaviour, less of a negative impact on the neighbourhood, reduced issues with dumped waste and better trained landlords.</p>

		<p>A Private Landlord Roadshow took place in 2021 with over 71 attendees. The event targeted private landlords and estate agents who manage portfolios, who received information on the Council's accreditation scheme; dealing with nuisance tenants and vetting systems; energy efficiency grants and environmental health standards. The Housing team have organised a further event for 14<sup>th</sup> March 2023.</p> <p>Contact details for the Team are: <a href="mailto:privatesectorhousing@sunderland.gov.uk">privatesectorhousing@sunderland.gov.uk</a> or telephone 0800 234 6084 Monday to Friday 8.30am-5pm.</p> <p>Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022</p>
<b>4. Create more affordable homes</b>		
<b>Links to: A Dynamic Smart City <i>More and better housing</i></b>		
<b>Action</b>	<b>Next Steps</b>	<b>Update</b>
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>Summary</p> <p>To support the delivery of affordable housing the Council will bring added value to the social housing market by specialising in bungalows and supported accommodation. 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.</p> <p>Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022</p>
<b>5. Launch 'Love where you live' campaign</b>		
<b>Links to: A Vibrant Smart City <i>More residents participating in their community</i></b> <b>A Healthy City Smart City <i>Cleaner and more attractive city and neighbourhoods</i></b> <b>Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy <i>Community empowerment, engagement and involvement</i></b> <b>Low Carbon Framework <i>Consumption and Waste</i></b>		
<b>Action</b>	<b>Next Steps</b>	<b>Update</b>
Continue with litter picks and support the Rangers to	ACDL to organise a Teams meeting in	<p>Summary</p> <p>The East Rangers have been successfully deliver for a number of years.</p>

continue to organise and advertise opportunities for residents / schools, etc to get involved.	August with Rangers and extend invitation to Area Cllrs to discuss existing programme and potential improvements.	<p>At December Area Committee the 6 projects delivered an update on progress made to date and success of the schemes.</p> <p>The Area Committee invited the groups to apply to extend the scheme by 12months. These applications were considered at the February Board meeting and the Board are making a recommendation to Area Committee to approve.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Friends of Doxford Park- £21,206</li> <li>• St Michael's -ICOS- £14,974</li> <li>• Doxford- The Box- £15,000</li> <li>• Ryhope – Blue Watch £16,340</li> <li>• Hendon – Back on the Map £15,000</li> <li>• – Millfield – Groundworks NE £17,280</li> </ul> <p>Full details are provided in Item 4 Annex 1</p> <p>Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022</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.	ACDL to follow up on outstanding works from lockdown period and provide Cllrs with an update position.	<p>Summary</p> <p>£75,000 was approved in September 2022 and split evenly across five wards to enable Councillors to solve ward problems and enhance services offered by the voluntary sector.</p> <p>In November 2022, Members received an update on outstanding projects relating to the previously funded Walk and Talk Programme which ended in March 2022, and then went on to discuss the new round of funding for 2022 / 2023. The process for members to access the fund was discussed and agreed, which follows a similar procedure to Community Chest, as in, project proposals will be shared on a monthly basis for consideration.</p> <p>Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022</p>
<b>6. Ensure all available enforcement powers are used to tackle those who continue to fly tip, drop litter and spoil the neighbourhood</b>		
<b>Links to: A Healthy City Smart City <i>Cleaner and more attractive city and neighbourhoods</i></b> <b>Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy <i>Community empowerment, engagement and involvement</i></b> <b>Low Carbon Framework <i>Consumption and Waste</i></b> <b>Low Carbon Framework <i>Low Carbon and Active Transport</i></b>		

Action	Next Steps	Update
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.	ACDL to organise a Team's meeting with those officers initially to consider the feasibility of this action.	<b>Reinstating Featherbed Lane Allotments</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capital bid submitted to Medium Term Financial Plan to carry out works to recover and reuse up to 20 starter plots. Potential to renew 10-year lease with Church Commissioners.</li> <li>An update on the Allotments is due in 2023.</li> </ul> <p>A Full summary of the Ryhope Dene task group was provided at December Area Committee</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	As above	Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022
Look into the restriction of access to motorcycles onto King George the 5 <sup>th</sup> playing field and the feasibility of reinstating the football pitches.		<p>Summary</p> <p>The group is Ryhope Community Association Junior Football Club successfully submitted a Grass Pitch application and the fields are getting reinstated as a football pitch a 12m knee high barrier has been installed at the West side of the field, to prevent motor bike access.</p> <p>Following public consultation a fence around the pitches is favourable. The City Council have committed £40,000 towards the fence installation, which will be considered for planning permission and if successfully will be installed in 2023</p>

		Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022
Funded an Environmental Enforcement Programme to tackle environmental crime.	Receive regular performance updates on progress.	<p>Summary</p> <p>The Environmental Enforcement Team received Neighbourhood Funding to deliver a 12 month project. A 3 month extension was considered at the February Board meeting but due to staffing and recruitment this is unable to progress. The next Neighbourhood and Community Board will consider the progress and performance of the project and future plans.</p> <p>The Board are making a recommendation to Area Committee to approve the funding of 10 Street Watch Cameras to be located across the East. Total value recommended £25,000 NICP Full details in Item 4 Annex 1</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.	ACLD to arrange a site visit with representatives from Local Services and Environmental Enforcement to agree works and timescales.	Full update provided to East Area Committee December 2022- update pending on consultation and options.
<b>7. Take part in In Bloom activities and support residents and volunteers to grow their own to bring plants and flowers into communities</b>		
<b>Links to: A Dynamic Smart City <i>Lower Carbon and Stronger City Centre</i></b> <b>A Vibrant Smart City <i>More residents participating in their community</i></b> <b>A Healthy City Smart City <i>Cleaner and more attractive city and neighbourhoods</i></b> <b>Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy <i>Community empowerment, engagement and involvement</i></b>		
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Work with Local Services to encourage residents to 'adopt a planter'.	Invite a representative from Local Services Team to the August meeting to discuss options.	<p>Summary The East 'In Bloom' Task Group pulled together a draft policy on adopting plantings, with an option to widen the scope to include flower beds and highway barriers. As well as considering members of the public adopting certain areas of land / planters, information will also be shared on expanding the existing sponsorship scheme for roundabouts to include flower beds, etc. Local Services have approved the 'adopt a planter scheme' which has been rolled out across the City for all Areas to utilise.</p> <p>Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022</p>
Look into the possibility of establishing an East in Bloom competition to acknowledge our beautiful gardens and landscapes.	Invite a representative from Local Services Team to the August meeting to discuss options.	<p>Summary The East in Bloom Competition 2022 was a success with six categories (Best Garden, Yard, Commercial Premises, School, Community Effort and Container Display). Councillors selected the overall Winners, Highly Commended and Commended. All winners were invited into City Hall to meet each other, take part in a media call and receive their certificates and prizes.</p> <p>Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022</p>
Receive an update on Local Services Improvement Plans for East and City Centre.	Invite a representative from Local Services Team to the October meeting to discuss options.	<p>Summary The Task group highlighted the good practice identified and the relationships built between Environmental Service Managers and representatives from each of the five wards a proposal was submitted to create a new Joint Officer and Councillor working group. It was agreed to discuss the idea at a future Board meeting to finalise the details and practicalities.</p> <p>The opportunity to install bleed kits in the City Centre was a project discussed in these meetings. Bleed Bags which are a similar concept to installing defibrillators, whilst these help people who have suffered a cardiac arrest, the bleed control kit are designed to treat wounds which cause traumatic bleeding in the short term, allowing time for blue light services to gain access to the patient which can make the difference between life and death. St Michael's Councillors awarded a Community Chest grant to The Connor Brown Trust, who are leading on the introduction of Bleed Control Kits into the City Centre. New kits have now been installed in the City Centre and if the initial introduction is successful, there could be scope to establish the Bleed Control units on a similar scale and concept as community Defibrillator units. Both of which save lives. Work is ongoing.</p>



Look into the possibility of improving the gateway into the city by maintaining the grass verge from St Benedict's Hospice roundabout all the way along to Ryhope Village, then onto Toll Bar	Invite a representative from Local Services Team to the August meeting to discuss options.	Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022
Look into the possibility of developing Wildflower roundabouts to enhance the visual appearance and enhance biodiversity.	Invite a representative from Local Services Team to the October meeting to discuss options.	Summary 26 sites have been as either a wildflower site or WoW feature £42,000 budget was approved by Area Committee in September to Local Services who will start the work in January 2023, and liaise directly with ward Councillors on the progress throughout the lifetime of the project.
<b>8. Reduce the carbon footprint and create green solutions within neighbourhoods to reduce plastic pollution</b>		
<b>Links to: A Dynamic City Low Carbon</b> <b>Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy Community Empowerment, Engagement and Involvement</b> <b>Low Carbon Framework Green Economy and Consumption and Waste</b>		
<b>Action</b>	<b>Next Steps</b>	<b>Update</b>
Encourage VCS Groups and Residents to plant a tree for the Queen's Jubilee in June 2022. (Links to Local Events)	Invite a representative from Local Services Team to the August meeting to discuss options.	Summary Members received a report on 'In Bloom Activities', which referenced Plant a Tree The Woodland Trust have launched a <a href="#">Plant a Tree for the Jubilee - Woodland Trust</a> which encourages neighbours, community groups, schools and organisations to apply for a Tree Pack. Members who are school governors were asked to discuss this in schools and feedback any good news stories which will be shared. Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022
Investigate the feasibility of developing a Uniform Recycling Scheme across Schools in the East area.	Work with Partners across the East area to present an update to the October meeting.	Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022
Receive an update from the East Coastal Ranger and the Heritage Coast on the	ACDL to invite representatives along	Summary the Coastal Ranger and Heritage Coast Partnership updated on the variety of work being delivered along the coastline of Hendon and Ryhope. Feedback was

environmentally friendly and sustainable programme work ongoing in the East area.	to the July 2021 meeting.	received relating to potential projects which could complement and enhance the coastline. They included: installing an art feature at Hendon and developing disability access on the trail which runs adjacent to the exit of Ryhope Beach tunnel. To be considered at a future Board meeting
<b>9. Invest in highways, pavements and street lighting</b>		
<b>Links to: A Vibrant Smart City <i>People feeling safe in their neighbourhoods</i></b> <b>A Healthy City Smart City <i>Cleaner and more attractive city and neighbourhoods</i></b>		
Action	Next Steps	Update
Consider possibility of replacing grass verge with concrete at Laurel Grove.	Arrange site visit.	Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022
Infrastructure and Construction Services to provide performance updates on the 'Invest in Highway's' capital funded project.	Interim update due in January 2022	<p>Summary Area Committee approved £214,800 to carry out a series of capital works to reduce speeding and dangerous driving at identified sites listed below, along with associated works. Works are progressing with some completed. The below are the sites identified</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Junction on Tunstall Vale road - install two sets of speed cushions.</li> <li>• Essen Way - installation of fixed spot speed camera.</li> <li>• Commercial Road near Blue House Pub - install one set of speed cushions and speed table to complement priority give way junction.</li> <li>• Hall Farm Road - install two speed tables at the junctions of Aylesbury Drive and Aylsham Court.</li> <li>• Haddington Vale - carry out further investigations on this site.</li> <li>• Stockton Road - installation of fixed digital speed camera.</li> <li>• Black Road - installation of up to two priority give way junctions.</li> <li>• Hollycarrside Road - carry out further investigations on this site.</li> </ul>
Update to be provided on amount of investment planned by Highways Services for highways, pavements and street lighting replacement programme.	Highways Maintenance Programme for 2022 - 2023 to be presented to Neighbourhood and Community Board for discussion in January	

	with recommendation to March's East Area Committee.	
<b>10. Invest in Parks, play areas, cycle and walking routes in consultation with residents and users</b>		
<b>Links to: A Vibrant Smart City <i>More people visiting Sunderland and more residents informing and participating in cultural events, programmes and activities</i></b> <b>A Healthy City Smart City <i>Cleaner and more attractive City and neighbourhoods</i></b>		
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Area Committee approved £205,886 of capital investment to carry out improvement works across Barley Mow, Backhouse, Burn, Doxford and Ryhope Recreational Parks.	Monitor the implementation of the improvement works, with an interim update due in October 2021.	Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022
<p>Fixed play improvements comprising of new installation and refurbishment work will continue in areas which have 106 Developer contributions aligned. An update will be provided this Summer on sites and locations that have funding aligned and available to spend.</p> <p>A survey is to be undertaken of all fixed play sites to identify condition, age appropriateness, accessibility and play value. This will be used to inform discussion on which sites</p>	Invite the Assistance Head of Community Resilience to the July meeting to discuss the Open Spaces, Parks and Play equipment update.	<p>Members continue to receive updates on improvements being made to fixed play sites</p> <p>Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022</p>

should be targeted for further investment.		
Establish a Friends Group of Galley's Gill / Festival Park to support the development of Riverside Sunderland.	CSW to liaise with local VCS Groups within the area and consider the best way forward to set up a Friends Group.	Postponed until Riverside Sunderland is completed.
<b>11. Increase 5G access across all neighbourhoods and support people with digital learning resources</b>		
<b>Links to</b> A Dynamic Smart City <i>A lower carbon City with greater digital connectivity for all</i> A Dynamic Smart City <i>More local people with better qualifications and skills</i> Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy <i>Improving community resilience</i>		
<b>Action</b>	<b>Next Steps</b>	<b>Update</b>
Invite Back on the Map along to a future Board meeting to provide Members with an update on the Go! Get Online Project.	Interim performance update due in November 2021 meeting.	Summary The Go! Get Online project, was extended a further year from September 2022 to September 2023, updates and performance will be provided to future board meetings Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022
Carry out research to understand the digital divide within the East Sunderland community.	Consider the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment produced by Public Health, and other publications. Pull together a report to present to the November 2021 meeting.	A representative from Smart Cities will attend a future Board meeting.
<b>12. Review opportunity to utilise existing and vacant properties to create cultural hubs, leisure activities and safe places to bring communities together</b>		
<b>Links to</b> A Vibrant Smart City <i>More people visiting Sunderland and more residents informing and participating in cultural events,</i>		

***programmes and activities***  
**Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy *Socially productive asset management***  
**Low Carbon Framework *Policies and Operational Practices***

Action	Next Steps	Update
Review Community Buildings and Assets owned and leased by the Council within the East Area, and support the Management Committee's to operate at full capacity.	Identify premises, their governance, leasing arrangements, and programme of activity to enabling a position statement to be presented to a future Board meeting.	Summary It was noted that 62 VCSE buildings have been identified within the East area and mapped out on the Council's GIS Link. From the list approximately 30 are leased by the Council. The findings from the Taking Stock Survey have been discussed at a number of board meetings. In February 2023 the board developed a Call for Projects large and small grants to support capital improvements and agreed to make a recommendation to Area Committee to align £88,891 of NICP and advertise a Call for Projects for Community Asset Capital improvements.
Consider the findings from the Review and where feasible, support the development of cultural hubs, leisure activities and safe places to bring communities together.	Pending review.	Summary Members received detailed information relating to 358 sessions which are delivered across 20 community buildings in the East area, which highlighted investment opportunities to develop new provision, expand existing sessions or promote and signpost residents into sessions which have spaces and are not operating at full capacity. This information was cross referenced with statistics from Public Health data to assist with informing future decisions relating to social prescribing and developing a local offer in partnership with All Together Better and the Integrated Care board.  In addition, Members received a list of capital works identified by the 20 community buildings. The works listed would enhance the buildings and include a range of schemes, from improving the sign for the site to replacing a whole roof. The total costs of carrying out all the capital works stands at £2.8m

**13. Create job clubs and education centres within local community venues including digital skill training and basic skills**

**Links to:**    ***A Dynamic Smart City More and better jobs***  
***A Dynamic Smart City More local people with better qualifications and skills***  
**Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy *Improving community resilience***

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To consider the level of support available to residents from job clubs and educational centres within local community venues to see if there is opportunity to enhance the existing offer.	Receive an update on existing provision, identify gaps and consider next steps.	Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022
<b>14. 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</b>		
<b>Links to</b> <i>A Vibrant City Resilient People</i> <b>Healthy City Plan</b> <i>Starting Well: Give every child the best start in life</i> <b>Healthy City Plan</b> <i>Ageing Well: Strengthen the role and impact of prevention for older people</i>		
<b>Action</b>	<b>Next Steps</b>	<b>Update</b>
Consider inviting guest speakers to the Board to discuss any issues and potential solutions in the area	If possible, invite to January 2021 Board.	An invite has been sent to the Sunderland Partnership to provide an update on the Migration Fund project.  Discussed during year one. No further action.
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	Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022
East's Positive Parenting project is funded until March 2021. It involves four VCS Groups working with families who have children under the	Performance update due in January 2021.	Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022

age of 5 who need support helping their children reach the development stages and milestones associated to age abilities.		
<b>15. Social prescribing – develop local offer to improve health and wellbeing and access to services locally to reduce social isolation, improve mental health and support long-term health conditions, and ensure physical activity sessions are accessible and not cost or time prohibitive, in partnership with All Together Better</b>		
<b>Links to</b> <i>A Healthy Smart City Reduced health inequalities enabling more people to live healthier longer lives</i> <b>A Healthy Smart City</b> <i>People enjoying independent lives</i> <b>Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy</b> <i>Improving community resilience</i> <b>Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy</b> <i>Business growth and investment in VCS</i>		
<b>Action</b>	<b>Next Steps</b>	<b>Update</b>
Consider inviting a guest speaker from the Sunderland GP Alliance, to share information about the Social Prescribing team and the Service provided.	ACDL to invite a representative to a future meeting. Potentially for the October meeting.	Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022 And See update under area priority 12, review community buildings.
Public Health Practitioner to provide an update on the Health Inequalities Strategy from an East perspective.	Date TBC	Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022
Evaluate Community Connectors programme, with a view to fund a new programme for 2021 / 2022	Review Programme and share findings at the October meeting.	See area priority 12.
<b>16. Enhance local green spaces to encourage wider use including sports equipment, refurbishment of existing equipment and delivery of activities which support health and wellbeing</b>		



<b>Links to: A Healthy Smart City <i>Cleaner and more attractive city and neighbourhoods</i></b> <b>A Vibrant Smart City <i>More residents participating in their communities</i></b>		
<b>Action</b>	<b>Next Steps</b>	<b>Update</b>
Look into the possibility of developing Panns Bank, using Ousburn in Newcastle as a model, ensuring proposals complement the Riverside Sunderland, One Campus Masterplan and Port of Sunderland expansion plans.	Investigate the feasibility of enhance the quay side between Panns Bank and the Port of Sunderland and provide an update at the February meeting.	To be discussed during year two. No further action.
Look into the possibility of changing the use, or tidying up the land next to Grangetown CA, Stannington Grove.	Invite a representative from Property Services along to the February meeting to discuss options.	To be discussed during year three. The action was discussed, no further action to be taken at this stage.
Executive Director Economy and Place to provide an update on the future of the Civic Centre building and surrounding land and car parking, which is due to close in the Autumn 2021.	East Area Committee to consider update and how they can support and shape the development of the site.	Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022 .
Carry out a review, audit and capital improvements across Sunderland Cemeteries.	Invite the Bereavement Service Manager along to a future meeting to discuss.	In January 2022, Member were informed about a new joint working group being established across the City, between Officers and Councillors to improve the appearance and design of cemeteries. There was an opportunity to nominate representatives from the East onto the working group. Cllr Scanlan, Cllr Reed and Cllr Bewick were proposed as the East representatives. Update pending.
Consider the potential to develop the outdoor space to	Aligned area funding to support the upgrade of an outdoor area to	Summary Sunderland MIND be invited to submit a proposal which focuses on developing a traditional outdoor games area on a reduced scale and budget, proposal was presented to the Board in February and following discussions on opening the



the rear of Sunderland MIND Wellbeing Hub	encourage residents to be more active.	space to the public the board are making a recommendation to approve £28,845 NF to Sunderland MIND with initial opening hours to be an approval condition. Full details in Item 4 annex 1
<b>17. 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</b>		
<b>Links to</b> A Vibrant Smart City <i>More residents participating in their communities</i> Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy <i>Increasing social value through procurement and wider activity</i> Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy <i>Business growth and investment in the VCS</i>		
<b>Action</b>	<b>Next Steps</b>	<b>Update</b>
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.	Area Committee approved an investment of £50,000 to develop the Centre over the next two years. Update due 2023  Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022
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.	August 2021 receive an update.	Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022

Support CHANCE to turn the disused car park into a community play area.	Invite the Centre manager along to the January 2022 meeting.	Area Committee approved £16,500 to install a climbing wall, multi-use play station, seating and an art feature.
Look into the possibility of supporting Ryhope Community Association save energy and money on heating bills by improving their currently heating system.	Invite the Centre Manager to the October meeting.	<p>Summary</p> <p>Members approved £43,340 to provide Ryhope CA with running costs for a family and older people's programme, as well as funding strategic support the sustainability of the Centre.</p> <p>The Centre Manager, the City Council and the VCS Alliance agreed a support package, in addition to the grant, which included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Property Services identifying leasing arrangements between the City Council, the CA and the Cricket Club and to identify roles and remit of all parties relating to repairs, refurbishments, insurance, maintenance and risk assessments;</li> <li>• Working with the CA on a funding strategy and submitting bids focusing on salaries and operational costs, as well as, capital costs for new heating, lighting, windows and wall cavity installation;</li> <li>• Liaising with the University to secure academic placements / works experience for students studying towards qualifications that relate to supporting children, families and older people, in addition to developing a volunteer's strategy / campaign to assist with delivering and administrating sessions.</li> </ul> <p>Next update due in April 2023.</p>
Look at the feasibility of supporting Sunderland MIND reach out into local Schools to identify and work alongside children and young people to improve their mental wellbeing.	Following on from a presentation delivered at Area Committee in September, the organisation were invited to submit a proposal that would improve children and young people's mental wellbeing.	In November 2022, Members considered and discussed a proposal which focused on several elements, these were: to target age groups from year three to year eleven and deliver peer mentor training to young people. Followed up by teacher training to support the peer mentors within the School. Host a weekly lunch project and afterschool club and offer a Listening Ear Service. Several schools were identified as potential pilot hubs, but it was agreed to extend the reach by approaching more schools, as well as, identifying the possibility for Schools to provide match funding. A funding application will be considered at a future Board meeting

Learn more about the expansion plans of Sunderland Bangladesh International Centre and consider how Area Committee can offer support.	Invite a representative from SBIC to a meeting to deliver a presentation.	<p>Summary</p> <p>In November 2022, the Centre Manager attended the Board meeting to provide Members with an update on the expansion plans for the building and the reasoning behind the idea. Reasons for the expansion related to a growing population of African, Asian and European's residents, using and accessing Services within the Centre. In addition, further information was provided on a new business model which works towards 70/75% of the Centre being self-sustainable and less grant dependent in future years. Members were keen to learn more about the project in the Near Year, after discussions have been held with other investors.</p> <p>Update to be provided in Summer 2023</p>
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## 18. Launch a volunteer platform to support residents to get involved more within their communities

**Links to** A Vibrant City *People Participation*

Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy *Community Empowerment, Engagement and Involvement*

Action	Next Steps	Update
Co-ordinate volunteers from Covid 19 hub and link with our VCS.	Update volunteer platform to enable matching volunteers to future VCS volunteer requirements in the area.	Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022
Following on from the OSCARS Volunteering Awards Members were keen to host an event every two years to celebrate and acknowledge the extraordinary commitment of East volunteers.	Members need to discuss and agree further details, i.e. dates, categories, etc.	Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022

## 19. Support communities to deliver local events

**Links to** A Vibrant City *People Participation*

A Vibrant City *Events and Visitors*

Action	Next Steps	Update
Support residents, schools, places of worship and VCS Groups to organise small local events which celebrate the Queen celebrate her 70 <sup>th</sup> Jubilee in June 2022.	Members to discuss a suitable model at the December meeting.	Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022
Keep a watch and brief on potential events for 2021 / 2022	Provide Board updates as and when.	To be discussed in year three.

which maybe postponed due to covid restrictions.		
<b>20. Support Youth clubs and spaces for young people to be together and feel safe – young people just want to hang out and don't always want organised activities – they just want to be together in a safe and flexible environment</b>		
<b>Links to:</b> <i>A Healthy Smart City Access to equitable opportunities and life chances</i> <i>A Vibrant Smart City More people feeling safe in their homes and neighbourhoods</i> <i>Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy Improving community resilience</i>		
<b>Action</b>	<b>Next Steps</b>	<b>Update</b>
Fancy a Day Out aka holiday hunger school holiday programme to be considered at the June Area Committee meeting.	Grant requests to be considered at the June 2021 Area Committee meeting. Interim update due October, subject to approval.	The Fancy a Day Out programme has continued to be delivered by the 10 voluntary groups upto June 2023. Update on project performance due June 2023
Maximising Community Assets: Sunderland Community Hub and East End ABC restarted in May 2021, providing access to the boxing club for children and young people, instead of hanging around the streets.	Interim update due November 2021	Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022

## 21. 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.	The Force were due to review re-establishing a 'new look' Neighbourhood Watch scheme, but unfortunately Covid has superseded work demands and there is no plans to restart this in the next two years. On that basis the action has been removed from the plan. REMOVED

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

### Links to: A Vibrant Smart City *More people feeling safe in their homes and neighbourhood*

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.	Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022
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	Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022

	meeting for consideration.	
Strengthen relationships between West Neighbourhood Policing Team and Doxford Cllrs	ACDL to co-ordinate through LMAPs and specific update meetings.	<p>Summary</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Cllr Dixon and Cllr Scanlan (East LMAPs representatives) raised awareness about the purpose of LMAPs and what sort of issues warrant referrals to the Group. Examples of issues that meet and do not meet the criteria were shared and discussed. LMAPs meetings are held every 8 weeks, with issues being raised and feedback provided by the Cllr representatives.</p>
<b>23. Support local organisations to grow capacity to support those who require additional support within communities to ensure they access services which are available to them</b>		
<b>Links to</b> <i>Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy Developing the role of Anchor Institutions</i>		
<b>Action</b>	<b>Next Steps</b>	<b>Update</b>
The City is establishing a Sunderland VCS Alliance	Invite the VCS Alliance Manager to the September 2021 Board	Future updates will be shared through the VCS Update Report.
<b>24. Publish our Statement of Intent in relation to fuel energy measures that positively impact on fuel poverty</b>		
<b>Links to</b> <i>A Vibrant Smart City Resilient People</i> <i>Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy Improving Community Resilience</i> <i>Healthy City Plan Strengthen the role and impact of prevention</i>		
<b>Action</b>	<b>Next Steps</b>	<b>Update</b>
An updated Statement of Intent has been agreed by Cabinet and work is underway to	Invite a representative along to provide an	Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022

establish the Sunderland Delivery Framework.	update on the framework. Date TBC.	
<b>25. Launch an affordable credit solution for residents</b>		
<b>Links to</b> A Vibrant Smart City <i>Resilient People</i> Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy <i>Improving Community Resilience</i> Healthy City Plan <i>Strengthen the role and impact of prevention</i>		
<b>Action</b>	<b>Next Steps</b>	<b>Update</b>
<p>Moneywise Credit Union is now working with Sunderland City Council to develop a media campaign to promote the Credit Union as a place to save but also as a place to access affordable credit targeting staff and residents as part of the wider financial resilience activity.</p> <p>This will target residents across the city but will work in areas with a range of local providers. The service will also work alongside the Illegal Money Lending Team</p>	<p>Invite a representative along from Moneywise Credit Union to provide members with an update at the November meeting on their service, and understand how Committee can encourage more community buildings to act as payment hubs.</p>	<p>Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022</p>
<b>26. Ensure a 'more than food' offer is built into foodbank provision</b>		
<b>Links to</b> A Vibrant Smart City <i>Resilient People</i> Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy <i>Improving Community Resilience</i> Healthy City Plan <i>Strengthen the role and impact of prevention</i>		
<b>Action</b>	<b>Next Steps</b>	<b>Update</b>



This has been successfully embedded during the Covid-19 crisis with welfare checks and information being provided to anyone accessing crisis food support either via the council or partners.	Invite representatives from Welfare Rights to the February meeting to provide an update on the More Than Foodbank model.	Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022
<b>27. Communicate heritage assets and deliver heritage activities to improve health and wellbeing and improve community cohesion</b>		
<b>Links to: A Vibrant Smart City <i>More people visiting Sunderland and more residents informing and participating in cultural events, programmes and activities</i></b> <b>Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy <i>Community empowerment, engagement and involvement</i></b>		
<b>Action</b>	<b>Next Steps</b>	<b>Update</b>
Celebrate heritage assets, but also be forward thinking and consider new art projects, introducing an open tender process to attract or retain Sunderland artists.		To be discussed in year three.
<b>28. Preserve and celebrate local heritage</b>		
<b>Links to: A Vibrant Smart City <i>More people visiting Sunderland and more residents informing and participating in cultural events, programmes and activities</i></b> <b>Sunderland Community Wealth Strategy <i>Community empowerment, engagement and involvement</i></b>		
<b>Action</b>	<b>Next Steps</b>	<b>Update</b>
Stephenson Trail opened on the 18 September 1822. Look into the opportunity to improve the trail (info points, app, etc.)	To consider alongside Coalfields and West Area Plans. Look into the potential of a Multi	In November 2020, Area Committee agreed the Membership of the Task Group for the Stephenson Trail, this was: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Doxford ward: Cllr Heather Fagan</li> <li>• Millfield ward: Cllr Andrew Wood</li> </ul>

and host a celebration event in partnership with Coalfields and West Area Committees, if agreeable in 2022 at the turn of its 200 <sup>th</sup> 'birthday'.	<p>Area Task group to develop proposals to come back to a future board.</p> <p>Update February 2021 Board</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>St Michael's ward: Cllr Peter Wood</li> </ul> <p>A Stephenson Trail Task and Finish group with members from the Coalfield, East and West areas have developed an action plan and each of the three Area Committees have approved £50k funding.</p> <p>In February 2022, the Stephenson Trail Task Group received an update on the Walking the Routes results, which identified environmental and physical improvements required. Working with Council services and partners the Task Group is developing an action plan to improve the route of the trail.</p> <p>The Cultural Spring have delivered an Educational programme and have engaged with seven primary schools, whose location is near the Trail. The selected Schools in the West area have worked with specialists from the creative sector to produce an Education Pack which has now been shared with other Primary Schools within the City. In addition, there is an array of community activities on offer during 2022, which include: way markers competition; song writing; banners and flags project; photo competition; oral history recordings; pop up gigs across the summer months</p> <p>Three local community organisations (one from each of the Coalfield, East and West areas) are supporting the project by carrying out environmental and physical improvements with the support of volunteers. The groups will also assist in the design of interpretation boards for each area, at relevant points along the route. The groups will work in partnership with colleagues from Local Services who are also carrying out work to improve the trail. A celebration event took place in November 2022 at City Hall. All groups, schools, Members and volunteers were invited, it was a great event with schools from across the three areas attending.</p> <p>Further update to follow</p>
To support the Heritage Action Zone initiative, an interpretation board has been funded to enhance the brown sign	<p>Receive a future update from HAZ on the initiative.</p> <p>Update to be arranged.</p>	Full update provided at East Area Committee December 2022

directing people to Old Sunderland.		
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# **EAST SUNDERLAND AREA NEIGHBOURHOOD AND COMMUNITY BOARD**

**6 FEBRUARY 2023**

## **HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2023-24**

### **REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF INFRASTRUCTURE AND TRANSPORTATION**

#### **1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is for members to consider and recommend to Area Committee the list of streets for their area, to a value of £100,000 that should be included in the Highway Maintenance Capital Programme 2023-2024.

#### **2. BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 At November's Neighbourhood and Community Board members were informed of the process for developing and approving the 2023-2024 Highway Maintenance Capital Programme for works on the adopted highway network.
- 2.2 At the meeting Board members were informed that a citywide programme of priority schemes would be prepared by officers to a value of 75% of the available City Region Sustainable Transport Fund (CRSTF), Highway Maintenance budget allocation and that 25% of the Highway Maintenance Capital Programme would be allocated to the members for spend on their recommended list of maintenance schemes.
- 2.3 Subject to Cabinet approval and Council ratification the amount of CRSTF capital allocation for Highway Maintenance will be in the region of £2m. Based on this amount £500,000 in total has been allocated to the Regeneration Areas.

#### **3.0 PROGRAMME**

- 3.1 In determining the candidate streets for the proposed Highway Maintenance Programme 2023-2024, information has been analysed and considered from the following sources:
- Machine based and manual (driven and walked) condition surveys.
  - Councillors' input throughout the year, as well as the recent submissions following October's emailed invitation.
  - Reports from residents and businesses
  - Highway inspectors' reports and engineers' inspections.

Officers also examine accident claim locations and consider whether scheme work would be appropriate to mitigate future claims.

- 3.2 Appended to this report is a table, which contains the candidate streets for consideration. To assist members deliberations officers have prioritised a list of streets (shown in bold), which totals the £100,000 (or thereabouts)

area allocation and takes into account local priorities.

- 3.3 Members may wish to endorse this list or, following discussions with their Area colleagues, choose to replace some of those streets highlighted in the table with those that are not highlighted. A set of A4 plans setting out the limits of the works at each location will be distributed prior to the meeting and will be made available to the councillors to view online.

#### **4.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

Neighbourhood and Community Board members are recommended to consider the streets listed in the table up to a value of £100,000 (or thereabouts), and confirm, the schemes to be recommended to the March East Area Committee for inclusion in the Highway Maintenance Capital Programme 2023-2024.

**EAST SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE  
NEIGHBOURHOOD AND COMMUNITY BOARD  
Members Recommendations for inclusion in the  
Highway Maintenance Capital Programme 2023-2024**

<b>STREET NAME</b>	<b>WARD</b>	<b>Treatment</b>	<b>Estimate Footway £</b>	<b>Estimate Road £</b>
Knollside Close (Part)	Doxford	Road surfacing		6000
Withernsea Grove PH1	Doxford	Road Resurfacing		13100
*China Street	Hendon	Road Resurfacing		5700
Noble Street (Rear)	Hendon	Road Resurfacing		12400
*Tower Street West (Rear)	Hendon	Road Resurfacing		9500
Aiskell Street (Part)	Millfield	Road Resurfacing	1870	
Ashwood Street (Footway)	Millfield	Slurry Seal Footway	2880	
Ashwood Street PH3 (Road)	Millfield	Road Resurfacing		8600
*Ashwood Street PH4 (Road)	Millfield	Road Resurfacing		11000
Johnson Street	Millfield	Road Resurfacing		1870
Waterworks Road (Part)	Millfield	Road Resurfacing		8040
Carnegie Street (Part)	Ryhope	Road Resurfacing		3630
Cherry Tree Square	Ryhope	Road Resurfacing		9500
Stockton Terrace (Rear)	Ryhope	Road Resurfacing		6080
Humbledon View (Rear)	St Michael's	Footway Surfacing		6850
Tunstall Vale (Rear)	St Michael's	Road Resurfacing		9500
*Willow Bank Road	St Michael's	Road Resurfacing		5700
		<b>SELECTION TOTAL</b>	<b>4750</b>	<b>117470</b>

**TOTAL = £122220**

Those schemes marked with an asterisk (\*) are wholly or partly funded through Members Walk and Talk budgets.

<p align="center"><b>EAST SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE</b>  <b>27 March 2023</b>  <b>EXECUTIVE SUMMARY SHEET – PART I</b></p>	
<p><b>Title of Report:</b>  East Area Budget Report</p>	
<p><b>Author(s):</b>  Assistant Director of Housing and Communities</p>	
<p><b>Purpose of Report:</b>  Area Committee has delegated budgets to allocate to specific strategic priorities identified in the Neighbourhood Investment Plan, with the overall aim to benefit the wider community and to attract other funding into the area. The report provides a financial statement as an updated position on progress in relation to allocating Area Committee Neighbourhood Funding, Neighbourhood Investment Plan Capital Programme and Community Chest, and presents proposals for further funding requests.</p>	
<p><b>Description of Decision:</b>  Committee are requested to:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Note the financial statements set out in section 2.1 and 3.1.</li> <li>(b) Approve The Friends of Doxford Park NF funding £21,206 towards East Park and Street Ranger</li> <li>(c) Approve International Community Organisation of Sunderland (ICOS) NF funding £14,974 towards The East Rangers St Michaels Extension</li> <li>(d) Approve The Box Youth and Community Project NF funding £15,000 towards The East Rangers Doxford Extension</li> <li>(e) Approve Blue Watch Youth Centre NF funding £16,340 towards The East Rangers Ryhope Extension</li> <li>(f) Approve Back on the Map NF funding £15,000 towards The East Rangers Hendon Extension</li> <li>(g) Approve Groundwork NE &amp; Cumbria NF funding £17,280 towards The East Rangers Millfield Extension</li> <li>(h) Approve Sunderland MIND NF funding £28,845 towards Remember This? Improvements to Outdoor Area</li> <li>(i) Approve Sunderland City Council NICP £25,0000 towards 10 Street Watch Camera</li> <li>(j) Align £88,891 NICP towards Community Assets in the East</li> <li>(k) Note the 24 East Community Chest approvals supported from 2022 / 2023, as detailed <b>Item 4 Annex 2</b></li> </ul>	
<p>Is the decision consistent with the Budget/Policy Framework? <span style="float: right;">Yes</span></p>	
<p><b>Suggested reason(s) for Decision:</b>  The Area Committee has an allocation of £433,836 (inc. £34,745 from 2021 / 2022 aligned to Sunderland MIND's Sport Hub and a return to budget of £5,557 from the Platinum Queen's Jubilee Call for Projects) from the Neighbourhood Fund, £67,814 remains in the Neighbourhood Investment Capital Programme and a further £50,000 in the Community Chest budget to deliver key priorities identified in the relevant Neighbourhood Investment Delivery Plan and to attract other funding into the area.</p>	
<p><b>Alternative options to be considered and recommended to be rejected:</b>  The circumstances are such that there are no realistic alternatives that could be considered.</p>	
<p>Is this a "Key Decision" as defined in the Constitution? No  Is it included in the Forward Plan? No</p>	<p>Relevant Scrutiny Committees:</p>

## Item 4

### EAST SUNDERLAND AREA COMMITTEE

27 March 2023



### REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES

#### East Sunderland Area Budget Report

#### 1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 Area Committee has delegated budgets to allocate to specific strategic priorities identified in the Area Neighbourhood Investment Plan, with the overall aim to benefit the wider community and to attract other funding into the area. The report provides a financial statement as an update position on progress in relation to allocating Area Committee Neighbourhood Funds, Neighbourhood Investment Capital Programme and Community Chest and presents proposals for further funding requests.

#### 2 Area Committee Neighbourhood Fund

- 2.1 The table below shows the financial position of the East Area Committee Neighbourhood Fund 2022 / 2023:

Project Name	Committee Date	Returned	Aligned	Approved	Remaining
<b>Actions from March 2022, Rolled over into the new financial year 2022 / 2023</b>					
Sunderland MIND	14.03.22	-	£34,745	£0	£34,745
Platinum Queen's Jubilee	18.05.22	-	£10,000	£4,443	£5,557
<b>Starting Balance for 2022 / 2023</b>					<b>£433,836</b>
Fancy a Day Out – Part 1	27.06.22	-	-	£26,980	£406,856
Fancy a Day out - Part 2	14.07.22	-	-	£36,626	£370,230
Ranger's Wish List	02.08.22	-	-	£12,208	£358,022
Maximising Community Assets	20.09.22	£5,000	-	-	£363,022
Enforcement Team	20.09.22	-	-	£3,795	£359,227
Go! Get Online Prog.	20.09.22	-	-	£70,000	£289,227
Walk and Talk	20.09.22	-	-	£75,000	£214,227
WoW Features	20.09.22	-	-	£42,000	£172,227
Maximising Community Assets	20.09.22	-	-	£18,500	£153,727
Supporting Ryhope CA	20.09.22	-	-	£43,340	£110,387
East Returns	12.12.22	£33,541	-	-	<b>£143,928</b>

*Table One: Neighbourhood Fund Statement 2022 / 2023*

- 2.2 There are 7 applications to the Neighbourhood Fund presented to Area Committee for consideration detailed at **Item 4 Annex 1**
1. East Rangers – Friends of Doxford Park £21,206
  2. East Rangers – St Michael's ICOS £14,974
  3. East Rangers – Doxford The Box £15,000



4. East Rangers – Ryhope Blue Watch £16,340
5. East Rangers – Hendon Back on the Map £15,000
6. East Rangers – Millfield Groundworks £17,280
7. Remember This? Improvements to Outdoor Area Sunderland MIND £28,845

- 2.3 The total Neighbourhood Fund budget requested for approval is **£128.645**. If approved, the remaining balance will be **£15,283**

### 3. Neighbourhood Investment Capital Programme

- 3.1 The table below shows the financial position of East Sunderland Neighbourhood Investment Capital Programme for 2020 / 2023.

Project Name	Committee Date	Budget Returned	Budget Aligned	Budget Approved	Budget Remaining
<b>Starting Balance for 2020/2023</b>					<b>£500,000</b>
East LMAPS CCTV	30.11.20	-	-	£11,500	£488,500
Invest in Highways	15.03.21	-	-	£214,800	£273,700
Invest In Parks	15.03.21	-	-	£205,886	£67,814
Garden Room	27.06.22	-	-	£40,000	£27,814
Invest In Highways	12.12.22	£44,077	-	-	£71,891
Invest in Parks	12.12.22	£42,000	-	-	<b>£113,891</b>

**Table Two: Neighbourhood Investment Capital Funding Statement 2020 / 2023**

- 3.2 East Sunderland Area Committee has been allocated £500,000 for capital developments which complement the Neighbourhood Investment Plan. Members will be responsible for allocating the funding through a majority decision at Area Committee.
- 3.3 The Capital Programme can be allocated in one year, or across more than one, depending on what proposals come forward throughout the year(s). The Area Committee have up to three years to allocate the full amount (March 2023).
- 3.4 At the February Neighbourhood and Community Board, members agreed to recommend to Area Committee £25,000 towards 10 street watch cameras. Full detail can be found in **Item 4 Annex 1**. The board also consider the results of the Taking stock survey's and agreed to make a recommendation to align £88,891 towards a community asset call for projects. Applications will be considered in April with recommendations being made to June Area Committee.
- 3.5 There is 1 funding application presented to Area Committee for consideration from the 2020 / 2023 Neighbourhood Investment Capital Programme.
- Street Watch cameras (10) – Sunderland City Council - £25,000
- 3.6 There is 1 funding alignment presented to Area Committee for consideration from the 2020 / 2023 Neighbourhood Investment Capital Programme.
- Community Assets capital improvements – Call For Projects - £88,891

- 3.7 The total Neighbourhood Fund budget requested for approval is **£113,891** If approved, the remaining balance will be **£Nil**

#### 4. Community Chest

- 4.1 Each ward has been allocated a ward budget of £10,000 each, to support projects which complement the Neighbourhood Investment Plan. The process to allocate Community Chest is online and can be access via [Area Committee Funding - Sunderland City Council](#). Ward Councillors will continue to lead on seeking suitable project proposals and making decisions on applications received. Where it become difficult to make a majority decision and discussions cannot be resolved at a ward level the outcome will be escalated to Area Committee for a final decision.
- 4.2 The table below details the Community Chest awards starting balances, returns and approvals for 2022 / 2023, **Item 4, Annex 2** shows the approvals supported up until March 2022.

Ward	2022/2023 Allocation	Budget Returned	Budget Approved	Budget Remaining
Doxford	£10,000	£166	£8,889	£1,111
Hendon	£10,000	-	£4,478	£5,522
Millfield	£10,000	-	£9,691	£309
Ryhope	£10,000	-	£3,128	£6,872
St Michael's	£10,000	-	£3,741	£6,259
<b>Total</b>	<b>£50,000</b>	<b>£166</b>	<b>£29,927</b>	<b>£20,073</b>

*Table Three: Community Chest Funding Statement 2022 / 2023*

#### 5. Recommendations:

- 5.1 Note the financial statements set out in section 2.1 and 3.1
- 5.2 Approve The Friends of Doxford Park NF funding £21,206 towards East Park and Street Ranger
- 5.3 Approve International Community Organisation of Sunderland (ICOS) NF funding £14,974 towards The East Rangers St Michaels Extension
- 5.4 Approve The Box Youth and Community Project NF funding £15,000 towards The East Rangers Doxford Extension
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- 5.7 Approve Groundwork NE & Cumbria NF funding £17,280 towards The East Rangers Millfield Extension
- 5.8 Approve Sunderland MIND NF funding £28,845 towards Remember This? Improvements to Outdoor Area
- 5.9 Approve Sunderland City Council NICP £25,0000 towards 10 Street Watch Camera
- 5.10 Align £88,891 NICP towards Community Assets in the East
- 5.11 Note the 24 Community Chest approvals supported from 2022 / 2023, as detailed **Item 4, Annex 2**

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Annex 1 NF and NICP Executive Summaries  
 Annex 2 Community Chest Grant Approvals 2022 / 2023

### Application No 1

<b>Funding Source</b>	Neighbourhood Fund
<b>Name of Project</b>	East Park and Street Ranger Extension
<b>Lead Organisation</b>	Friends of Doxford Park

<b>Total cost of Project</b>	<b>Total Match Funding</b>	<b>Total NF Application</b>
£21,206	Nil	£21,206
<b>Project Duration</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>End Date</b>
12 months	April 2023	April 2024

### **ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS**

#### **Project Description:**

We will deliver a revised East Rangers project from the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023 to 31 March 2024 and will follow on from the current East Rangers project.

In evaluating existing service delivery, we have assessed that there needs to be a more proactive approach and independency within the East Rangers. Therefore, we wish to propose a revised model which will incorporate what we know works well in addition to implementing new ideas. This will improve responsiveness to identified needs including requests from Councillors and residents, partner organisations and SCC who have identified hot spots. Issues arise and change on an on-going basis and programmes of activities planned at the beginning of the project may miss opportunities to make a greater impact. The initial planned locations for East Ranger attention will be concentrated on Doxford Park, and act as a Park Ranger, but recognise that other requests for Services and Support may be referred to us via Local Services. This responsive approach will continue to be delivered to address local concerns.

The Doxford Park Ranger will support adult volunteers to complete a range of tasks in the Park for example strimming and raking, cutting back vegetation, edging along pathways and weeding. They will assist the Council in the delivery of the Pocket Park Project and the Friends Group with the delivery of the Crowdfund project in the walled garden. During Week 1 of each month the Park Ranger will meet with SCC Local Services to understand what duties need to be carried out in the Park and when feasible work schedules will be aligned to working with the Local Services Team in Doxford Park. This can be carried out by a mixture of communication tools e.g. emails, Teams, site visits, telephone.

There will be opportunities for the Park Ranger to deliver educational campaigns and Task Days/Team Challenge events with local groups e.g. schools, employers to engage and encourage community involvement in maintaining the Park.

The Doxford Park Ranger will continue to provide vital Risk Management, Health and Safety guidance to all Partner VCS Groups to ensure compliance with safety legislation, in addition to storing, managing, maintaining and co-ordinating the usage of the equipment to all VCS partners across all five wards.

## Outputs

Data Field	Code	Output Target
<b>A Dynamic Smart City Output</b>	<b>CODE</b>	
number of Adults moved into Education, Employment or Training	105	5
<b>A Healthy Smart City Output</b>	<b>CODE</b>	
number of children and young people benefiting from this project	203	80
number of community cleans up carried out	209	220
number of litter picks carried out	210	40
tonnage of waste cleared from neighbourhoods	211	Tbc
amount of greenspace sites improved by area (m2)	212	tbc
Issues reported via <a href="http://www.sunderland.gov.uk/report-it">www.sunderland.gov.uk/report-it</a>	213	24
number of existing / derelict assets brought back into use by (2m)	214	Tbc
<b>A Vibrant Smart City Output</b>	<b>CODE</b>	
number of safety measurers installed/delivered to improve neighbourhoods	302	12
number of volunteers recruited and participating	304	100
number of volunteer hours delivered	305	630
number of external organisations involved or supported	306	14
number of residents participating in decision making	308	20

## Budget

Item and Description	Total Costs	Match Costs	NF Contribution
12x salary monthly payments incl tax and NI deductions	£17,737.80	-	£17,737.80
Combined insurance, PL, Eland PI	£472.08	-	£472.08
2x gator insurance	£1,153.96	-	£1,153.96
Xero accounting software x 12 months	£345.60	-	£345.60
Strimmer line 2.7mm x 261m reel x 5 reels	£139.60	-	£139.60
Fuel for equipment 20 litres p/wk x 36 weeks (grass cutting season)	£1,080	-	£1,080
Fuel for gator 20 litres p/m x 8 months	£276.96	-	£276.96
<b>Total</b>	<b>£21,206</b>	-	<b>£21,206</b>

This project meets the *Enhance Local green spaces* priority from the East Delivery Plan. Neighbourhood and Community Board Recommend Approve

## Application No 2

<b>Funding Source</b>	Neighbourhood Fund
<b>Name of Project</b>	East Area Rangers Extension – St Michael's
<b>Lead Organisation</b>	International Community Organisation of Sunderland (ICOS)

<b>Total cost of Project</b>	<b>Total Match Funding</b>	<b>Total NF Application</b>
£14,974	Nil	£14,974
<b>Project Duration</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>End Date</b>
12 months	April 2023	April 2024

### **ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS**

#### **Project Description:**

We will deliver a revised East Rangers project from the 1st April 2023 to 31 March 2024. This project will follow on from the current East Rangers project.

In evaluating existing service delivery we have assessed that task days could be more flexible. Having set days of the week for task days works well especially for sharing equipment but these set days do not account for unforeseen circumstances such as poor weather or when new sites are identified. We wish to propose a revised model which will incorporate what we know works well in addition to implementing new ideas. This will improve responsiveness to identified needs including requests from councillors and residents, partner organisations and SCC who have identified hot spots. Issues arise and change on an on-going basis and programmes of activities planned at the beginning of the project may miss opportunities to make greater impact. In the unlikely event that new locations are not identified, the initial planned locations for East Ranger attention will be concentrated on Backhouse Park.

The Backhouse Park Ranger will support adult volunteers to complete a range of tasks in the Park for example strimming and raking, cutting back vegetation, edging along pathways and weeding. They will assist and work closely with the Council and the Friends Group. Week 1 of the month will be aligned to working with the Local Services Team (one day per ward), carrying out a mixture of roles working alongside Local Services (litter picking, cutting back vegetation, edging paths, removing moss, collecting leaves, etc.), with the main work schedule being identified by SCC Local Services the week beforehand to ensure delivery plans complement each other. This can be carried out by a mixture of communication tools e.g. emails, Teams, site visits, telephone. Week 2 and week 4 of each month will see a combination of Task Days and Litter Picks being carried out by the Park Ranger in Backhouse Park, with the understanding that local Councillors may make recommendations for other sites to be targeted in the ward.

There will be 10 campaigns delivered approximately every 6 weeks, including Bird Watching and identifying birds, with qualified ornithologists or bug surveys for children and other educational talks on the ecosystem. Other types of educational campaigns are popular with all age groups and abilities, and range from tackle dog fouling, recycling, Pimp by Bin, wildlife surveys to making and installing bird feeders.

Additionally, ICOS will train additional volunteers as Park Rangers, working with an appropriate external partner – Horticultural Management Services Ltd- this will improve the skills and employability of the local people, as well as contribute to increased sustainability and effectiveness of the East Rangers project, as more volunteers will be able to undertake the tasks associated with the programme safely.

Moreover, ICOS will also install a bird watching station to ensure that local residents, including families and children will be able to use the park more often and in a more creative and engaging way.

Horticultural Management Services Ltd will continue to provide vital Risk Management, Health and Safety guidance to ICOS to ensure compliance with safety legislation, in addition to storing, managing, maintaining and co-ordinating the usage of the equipment to all VCS partners across all five wards.

## Outputs

Data Field	Code	Output Target
<b>A Dynamic Smart City Output</b>	<b>CODE</b>	
number of low carbon initiatives supported	103	1
number of Young people moved into Education, Employment or Training	104	2
number of Adults moved into Education, Employment or Training	105	5
<b>A Healthy Smart City Output</b>	<b>CODE</b>	
number of assets purchased, improved and / or developed to contribute towards healthier lives	202	1
number of children and young people benefiting from this project	203	40
number of people benefiting and enjoying independent lives	204	120
number of community cleans up carried out	209	24
number of litter picks carried out	210	24
tonnage of waste cleared from neighbourhoods	211	Tbc
<b>A Vibrant Smart City Output</b>	<b>CODE</b>	
number of volunteers recruited and participating	304	120
number of cultural, heritage and community events supported and delivered	309	10
number of visitors footfall at neighbourhood events	311	120

**Budget**

Item and Description	Total Costs	Match Costs	NF Contribution
Staff time: East Area Ranger @ 12h/ week x 52 weeks	£11,512.80	-	£11,512.80
Volunteer expenses (travel etc.)	£400	-	£400
Staff expenses including travel	£400	-	£400
Delivery costs- gloves, bags, small equipment etc.	£700	-	£700
Sessional work/children's activities	£600	-	£600
Overheads (e.g. printing, utilities) at 10%	£1,361.20	-	£1,361.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>£14,974</b>	-	<b>£14,974</b>

This project meets the *Enhance Local green spaces* priority from the East Delivery Plan.  
Neighbourhood and Community Board Recommend Approve

### Application No 3

<b>Funding Source</b>	Neighbourhood Fund
<b>Name of Project</b>	East Area Rangers Extension - Doxford
<b>Lead Organisation</b>	The Box Youth & Community Project

<b>Total cost of Project</b>	<b>Total Match Funding</b>	<b>Total NF Application</b>
£16,440	£1,440	£15,000
<b>Project Duration</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>End Date</b>
12 months	April 2023	April 2024

### **ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS**

#### **Project Description:**

TBYCP will continue to deliver the East Rangers project from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 24. The project will follow on from our current East Park and Street Rangers Project. The delivery plan over the past 12 months has proven to be a very effective model for delivering outcomes in the Doxford Ward and we propose that we continue delivery for a further 12 months based upon the same model.

Although we have an identified task day (Thursday of each week) our Rangers have been flexible in their approach which has allowed the Doxford team to provide a rapid response service to requests made by Local Services, local Councillors, and members of the public. We have planned work to ensure hotspot areas are targeted on a rotational basis, for example in any one month we will spend a day in Blakeney Woods, a day clearing footpaths and bridlepaths bordering Camberwell Way, a day in the vicinity of Doxford Park Way (including subways, playing fields and around by the Community Association), and a day along Nettles Lane and Burdon Lane. Tasks will include collecting litter, clearing, and edging pathways of weeds/moss etc and cutting back overhanging branches etc. If weather conditions prevent activity on the allocated day, we will reschedule activities to take place another day of the same week. Similarly, if tasks in an area are completed in half a day, we will spend another half day targeting another area within the Ward. We will continue to work with Local Services and the Environmental Enforcement Team to ensure that resources can be targeted to achieve maximum impact within the Doxford Ward.

The Doxford Rangers will continue to involve children, young people and adult volunteers in activities to keep the Doxford area clean and tidy with the aim of involving them and encouraging them to develop and sustain an interest in their own community, alongside raising awareness about recycling and the environment. We will raise awareness amongst volunteers in relation to the reporting littering and fly tipping offences online, and in relation to what the penalties are for individuals who commit offences. Our aim will be to encourage volunteers to pass on their learning and relevant information to family members, friends, and colleagues.

We will deliver six education campaigns over the year on a bi-monthly basis. Campaigns will focus upon issues relevant to the area. They will be incorporated across all our programmes of work in each week so that they target a good cross section of the population. Educational campaigns have proven popular with all age groups and are likely to include campaigns on dog fouling, fly tipping, sorting waste into correct bins, recycling, reducing waste in the home and damage to the environment.



## Outputs

Data Field	Code	Output Target
<b>A Healthy Smart City Output</b>	<b>CODE</b>	
number of adults enjoying a healthier lifestyle (mentally, physically, independently)	201	15
number of assets purchased, improved and / or developed to contribute towards healthier lives	202	30
number of children and young people benefiting from this project	203	80
number of people signposted into Public/VCS services	205	30
number of people receiving information, advice and guidance	206	30
number of community cleans up carried out	209	50
number of litter picks carried out	210	50
tonnage of waste cleared from neighbourhoods	211	15
Issues reported via <a href="http://www.sunderland.gov.uk/report-it">www.sunderland.gov.uk/report-it</a>	213	20
<b>A Vibrant Smart City Output</b>	<b>CODE</b>	
number of safety measurers installed/delivered to improve neighbourhoods	302	6
number of volunteers recruited and participating	304	100
number of volunteer hours delivered	305	1600
number of external organisations involved or supported	306	8
number of hours spent delivering this funded project	307	475
number of residents participating in decision making	308	15

**Budget**

Item and Description	Total Costs	Match Costs	NF Contribution
Salary costs – task days (50wks x 5hrs)	£3,750	-	£3,750
Salary costs – litter picks (50 x 3hrs x 2 staff)	£4,500	-	£4,500
Salary costs – educational campaigns (6 campaigns x 12hrs x 2 staff)	£2,160	£1,080	£1,080
Salary costs – Coordination of activities and monitoring (50wks x 2hrs )	£1,500	-	£1,500
Campaign resources (6 campaigns x £50)	£300	-	£300
Use of van/minibus (Task days/litter picks(65)	£1,300	-	£1,300
Reward activities -children & young people litter picks (15 x 12yp)	£1,080	-	£1,080
Volunteer refreshments (50 weeks)	£750	-	£750
Consumable resources (fuel for machinery/trimmer cord, saw blades, rubbish sacks etc)	£500	-	£500
Equipment (repair or replacement) & PPE(litter grabbers, brooms, shovels, containers etc)	£240	-	£240
Admin/photocopying/telephone/stationery	£360	£360	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>£16,440</b>	<b>£1,440</b>	<b>£15,000</b>

This project meets the *Enhance Local green spaces* priority from the East Delivery Plan.  
Neighbourhood and Community Board Recommend Approve

## Application No 4

<b>Funding Source</b>	Neighbourhood Fund
<b>Name of Project</b>	East Area Rangers Extension - Ryhope
<b>Lead Organisation</b>	Blue Watch Youth Centre

<b>Total cost of Project</b>	<b>Total Match Funding</b>	<b>Total NF Application</b>
£18,840	£2,500	£16,340
<b>Project Duration</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>End Date</b>
12 months	April 2023	April 2024

### **ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS**

#### **Project Description:**

Blue Watch wishes to continue to be part of the East Rangers partnership to support the delivery of the East Rangers project from the 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024. The project outlined in this application will follow on from the current East Rangers project, which benefits from existing positive partnerships and relationships that are in place.

In evaluating current service delivery, we have assessed that task days are very productive and have the added benefit of bringing the East Rangers into positive contact with residents. Having set days of the week for task days works well, especially for sharing equipment and providing volunteers with a structured and consistent time to volunteer. We wish to add to what we know works well through implementing new ideas and expanding good practice. We believe this approach will improve responsiveness to identified needs including requests from Ward Councillors and residents, partner organisations and SCC, who identify grot spots and areas of the Ryhope Ward that would benefit from the East Ranger service.

We have learnt through experience that issues can arise and change on an on-going basis, with programmes of activities planned at the beginning of the project may miss opportunities to make greater impact. In the unlikely event that new locations are not identified, the initial planned locations for East Ranger attention will be concentrated on. These areas are already known areas and have been identified through local intelligence, for instance, Black Road, Village Green, The Railway Pub, Dene, Old Golf Course/King George 5th playing field, Venerable Bede Path, Recreation Park, Ryhope Street South, and Dinsdale Street. Adopting a responsive approach will enable the East Rangers to continue in their efforts to address local concerns.

The East Ranger will continue to support children, young people, and adult volunteers to complete a range of tasks in the Ryhope Ward. For example litter picking, raking, cutting back vegetation, edging along pathways and weeding. We know how popular litter picks are with local children and young people. Litter picks and recycling activities as part of the Smart Recycle Scheme are included in externally funded programmes they engage in such as Holiday Activity Food and Fancy A Day Out. We continue to observe how 'many hands can make light work' of litter on the streets and green areas of Ryhope. We have invested in resources for children and young people with size appropriate litter pick sticks and Blue Ring Holders for refuse sacks. These help make litter picks a more enjoyable and less strenuous experience for children and young and adults who may have issues with their grip.

Evaluation and consultation has informed us that residents appreciate the tasks carried out by the East Rangers and have reported this via Facebook and verbally to the East Rangers during task days. Activities delivered through the East Rangers project often have an instant positive visual impact. Residents also appreciate knowing that locations will not be a one off and that a plan is in place to revisit locations as part of a wider programme of activities. We have become increasingly aware that visual impact is important both before the task days themselves and the removal of

litter, which is extremely popular, generates good publicity and receives positive feedback from residents.

The East Ranger will carry out a variety of tasks and task days including:

- litter picking
- strimming, cutting back vegetation, edging paths, removing moss, collecting leaves etc.
- projects with local groups i.e. planting bulbs etc.
- if require, carry out proactive work i.e. leaflet drops, bin stickers
- educational campaigns
- recruiting and supporting volunteers
- provide access to the Smart Recycling Scheme
- attend quarterly performance management meetings
- update online performance system
- engage with local businesses and schools
- share social media news
- targeting the top ten streets identified as being the most problematic when it comes to waste management, dog fouling or other related problems

Educational campaigns will engage people throughout the Ward. Educational campaigns are popular with all age groups and abilities, and range from one use plastics, tackling dog fouling, recycling, wildlife surveys, to making and installing bird feeders.

The Smart Recycle Scheme based at Blue Watch will continue to be an excellent resource for people supporting the East Rangers programme as they learn that the recycling they collect through litter picks will be collected weekly by J&B Recycling. Children and young people are proactive in supporting the Smart Recycle Scheme ensuring that as much of recyclable litter they collect, especially cans and plastic bottles, is discarded in the recycle bin rather than general waste.

We will continue to work with CMS who have provided us Risk Management and Health and Safety guidance that ensures we comply with safety legislation, in addition to storing, managing, maintaining and co-ordinating the usage of the equipment.

2 examples of Education Campaigns:

#### Ryhope Junior School Environmental Presentation

Ryhope East Rangers were invited to Ryhope Junior School for a presentation by two classes of children on how plastics and other litter is destroying marine life. Both groups had done a great amount of research on different plastics and how they enter the seas and oceans including littering from boats and flushing into the waterways from household and commercial waste.

Examples were given by the children on how many years some plastics take to disintegrate and how they can entangle sea creatures or be swallowed by them leading to their death.

All the children contributed to the presentations and participated in a questions and answers session.

#### Blue Watch Junior East Rangers

We carried out research on how much plastic is recycled. We discovered that according to National Geographic, in 2021, 91 percent of plastic never gets recycled. We also learned that most of the plastic that does get recycled is downcycled, which means it gets less and less useful every time. It eventually becomes so flimsy that it can no longer be recycled properly. Thinking about what we had learned, we decided we wanted to raise awareness of the importance of reusing as well as recycling.

Children have been looking for alternatives to plastic and how these alternatives can have an important impact on reducing the amount of plastic we use. For example, reusable grocery bags have seen a growth in popularity in recent years, and they are a great way to limit the amount of plastic that needs to be generated in the first place.

In the month of October we collected 82 clear plastic discarded water bottles as part of our litter picks. We also collected discarded plastic containers that had been purchased with fruit in them, plastic carry bags and pop bottles.

We decided that we are going:

- to use more reusable bags for carrying shopping
- to use reusable bags for fruit & veg
- to try not buy fruit and veg that is sold in plastic containers
- to use refillable water bottles
- to whenever we can, drink tap water to lessen the demand for plastic bottled water

## Outputs

Data Field	Code	Output Target
<b>A Healthy Smart City Output</b>	<b>CODE</b>	
number of adults enjoying a healthier lifestyle (mentally, physically, independently)	201	10
number of assets purchased, improved and / or developed to contribute towards healthier lives	202	2
number of children and young people benefiting from this project	203	120
number of people benefiting and enjoying independent lives	204	30
number of people signposted into Public/VCS services	205	10
number of people receiving information, advice, and guidance	206	30
number of community cleans up carried out	209	48
number of litter picks carried out	210	60
tonnage of waste cleared from neighbourhoods	211	15
Issues reported via <a href="http://www.sunderland.gov.uk/report-it">www.sunderland.gov.uk/report-it</a>	213	6
<b>A Vibrant Smart City Output</b>	<b>CODE</b>	
number of people more resilient and able to help themselves in a crisis	301	8
number of safety measurers installed/delivered to improve neighbourhoods	302	10
number of volunteers recruited and participating	304	80
number of volunteer hours delivered	305	600
number of external organisations involved or supported	306	5

number of residents participating in decision making	308	120
number of cultural, heritage and community events supported and delivered	309	2
Number of items purchased to host an event	310	2

### **Budget**

<b>Item and Description</b>	<b>Total Costs</b>	<b>Match Costs</b>	<b>NF Contribution</b>
Task days 48 x 6 hours	£4,320	-	£4,320
Projects working with SCC 96 hours	£1,440	-	£1,440
Litter picks 60 average x 2 staff	£5,400	-	£5,400
Educational activities 6 x total 100 hours	£1,500	-	£1,500
Project management hours Inc. supervision, volunteers, schools, attending meetings, monitoring & evaluation etc. 120 hours @ £16.50 p/h	£1,980	-	£1,980
Resources i.e. plants, bulbs, paint etc. (as required)	£400	-	£400
Reward activities and resources	£600	-	£600
PPE and disposables	£300	-	£300
Promotion including; Facebook and social media posting, photocopying, stationery, transport etc.	£400	-	£400
Smart recycling project	£2,500	£2,500	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>£18,840</b>	<b>£2,500</b>	<b>£16,340</b>

This project meets the *Enhance Local green spaces* priority from the East Delivery Plan. Neighbourhood and Community Board Recommend Approve

### Application No 5

<b>Funding Source</b>	Neighbourhood Fund
<b>Name of Project</b>	East Area Rangers Extension – Hendon
<b>Lead Organisation</b>	Back on the Map

<b>Total cost of Project</b>	<b>Total Match Funding</b>	<b>Total NF Application</b>
£15,00	£0	£15,000
<b>Project Duration</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>End Date</b>
12 months	April 2023	April 2024

#### **ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS**

We have a set programme that covers the whole of the Hendon Ward where we rotate on a weekly basis. Some areas where we have identified as major grot spots which need more intense work. Carrying on from last year's successful programme we will continue to improve responsiveness to the identified needs including requests from councillors, residents, partner organisations and SCC who will notify us of any concerns raised across the Hendon Ward.

Issues arise and change on an on-going basis and programmes of activities planned at the beginning of the project may miss opportunities to make greater impact. In the unlikely event that new locations are not identified, the initial planned locations for East Ranger attention will be concentrated on known areas which have been previously identified by local intelligence. This responsive approach will continue to be delivered to address local concerns.

The East Ranger will support local residents and volunteers to complete a range of tasks in the Hendon Ward for example litter picking and task days. We will also carry out weekly neighbourhood walkabouts. By doing this on a regular basis we can identify grot spots fly tipping alongside bulky waste and contaminated bins. We can also talk to local residents when doing the street walks promoting the services and explaining to them about how to report issues in the SCC report site or through us at Back on the Map. We are aware that visual impact is important both in terms of the task days themselves and the removal of litter which is extremely popular, generates good publicity and receives positive feedback from residents.

We will carry out a daily litter pick on Vilette Road and the surrounding areas. It was identified last year that there was a lot of litter in these areas. We are working closely with Katie Kelly and her team where she is getting more bins in the areas we have identified as major problems. Alongside the daily litterpicks we will continue to work in the following areas, Railway Sidings, New Park and Church Walk, Hendon Beach Barley Mow Park and Sans Street area.

A full programme of activity will be produced and shared with the Councillors and the public to notify them of developments / locations being tackled throughout the programme.

In addition, monthly Rangers Teams meetings will be held and representatives from each of the Partner VCS Organisations, Local Services and Cllrs to ensure that the Rangers work programme and Service Delivery Programmes complement each other

## Outputs

Data Field	Code	Output Target
<b>A Healthy Smart City Output</b>	<b>CODE</b>	
number of community cleans up carried out	209	24
number of litter picks carried out	210	60
Issues reported via <a href="http://www.sunderland.gov.uk/report-it">www.sunderland.gov.uk/report-it</a>	213	100

## Budget

Item and Description	Total Costs	Match Costs	NF Contribution
Salaries	£11,800	-	£11,800
Overheads & management	£1,500	-	£1,500
Equipment & consumables	£1,000	-	£1,000
Insurance contributions	£200	-	£200
Promotion& Publicity	£500	-	£500
<b>Total</b>	<b>£15,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>£15,000</b>

This project meets the *Enhance Local green spaces* priority from the East Delivery Plan.  
Neighbourhood and Community Board Recommend Approve



## Application No 6

<b>Funding Source</b>	Neighbourhood Fund
<b>Name of Project</b>	East Area Rangers Extension - Millfield
<b>Lead Organisation</b>	Groundwork NE & Cumbria

<b>Total cost of Project</b>	<b>Total Match Funding</b>	<b>Total NF Application</b>
£20,780	£3,500	£17,280
<b>Project Duration</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>End Date</b>
12 months	April 2023	April 2024

### **ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS**

We will deliver a continued East Rangers project from the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023 to 31 March 2024. This project will follow on and develop from the current East Rangers project which has run for the last 4 years.

We will continue the weekly task days working in areas around Millfield. These weekly sessions have proven beneficial for the area and community. The improvements to sites have generated good publicity for the project. Positive feedback from residents appreciating the work being done have been reported via Facebook and verbally to East Rangers during the sessions. Residents recognise the staff and volunteers as well as the project name. These weekly task days will be in locations across Millfield, predominantly in the main parks and green spaces – Diamond Hall Pocket Park, Lime Street Pocket Park, Burn Park and the Mineral Lines. We will liaise with the Councillors and Council Officers to help target any hot spot areas. On these task days we will work with volunteers from the local area to improve and maintain these sites. Activities such as litter picking, edging paths, bulb planting and removing overgrowth will be the main tasks. We will work with the Councils Parks team to help and benefit their ongoing maintenance to ensure we work efficiently and collaboratively to achieve the best outcome for all sites.

In addition to the weekly task sessions, Groundwork will run community clean ups across Millfield. We will work with children and adults, from youth groups, schools, resident's association and social clubs. These events help encourage community engagement in the local area and project. We use the national events – such as Great British Spring Clean and other events, to promote the work East Rangers are doing. We will continue to work with such groups as Scouts, Thornholme Residents Association and school groups to help maintain and improve their local areas.

We will continue to produce Facebook and social media posts about the works completed and planned during the East Rangers sessions – linking in the Council and East Area pages.

In addition to the physical improvements we will continue to work with local schools and community groups to run engagement, educational and craft sessions. These engagement and education sessions will focus on issues around littering, recycling and dog fouling. We will also look to add value to the project, by drawing on our expertise of the Project Managers in the Wild Oyster Project, Energy from Waste Plant and Green Doctors Services, to run workshops, activities and events. We will also continue running regular activities sessions in Diamond Hall Park Pocket – which has proven greatly appreciated by the local families in the area. Activities such as recycled craft, Easter Activities, bug hunting and bulb planting are a few examples. Within these activities we will use this time to help engage with the local residents about issues and improvements they might want to see at Lime Street and Diamond Hall parks.

CMS will provide our Risk Management, Health and Safety guidance to Groundwork to ensure compliance of the equipment use.

### Outputs:

We will run weekly Task Session in Millfield totalling at least 24 sessions.

We will also deliver 20 community clean up events across the ward with community groups in the area, such as Thornholme Residents Association and the Boxing Club.

In addition we will also work with youth groups, schools and community groups to run 10 educational sessions and workshops. Focusing on promoting healthier life styles and looking after the local area. Within this we will also be offering activities and presentations from our Wild Oyster Officers, Energy Advisors and Waste Management Officer to add value to the project. The East Ranger will also run at least 6 community activities or events at Diamond Hall or Lime Street Pocket park. Using this time to question and understand what the local residents are wanting to see be improved in the park, and reporting this back to the councillors and council officers as appropriate.

## Outputs

Data Field	Code	Output Target
<b>A Dynamic Smart City Output</b>	<b>CODE</b>	
number of low carbon initiatives supported	103	4
<b>A Healthy Smart City Output</b>	<b>CODE</b>	
number of adults enjoying a healthier lifestyle (mentally, physically, independently)	201	50
number of children and young people benefiting from this project	203	80
number of people signposted into Public/VCS services	205	120
number of people receiving information, advice and guidance	206	240
number of community cleans up carried out	209	20
number of litter picks carried out	210	24
tonnage of waste cleared from neighbourhoods	211	12
amount of greenspace sites improved by area (m2)	212	10
Issues reported via <a href="http://www.sunderland.gov.uk/report-it">www.sunderland.gov.uk/report-it</a>	213	3
<b>A Vibrant Smart City Output</b>	<b>CODE</b>	
number of volunteers recruited and participating	304	24
number of volunteer hours delivered	305	240
number of external organisations involved or supported	306	10
number of residents participating in decision making	308	30
number of visitors footfall at neighbourhood events	311	120

**Budget**

Item and Description	Total Costs	Match Costs	NF Contribution
Staffing	£15,180	-	£15,180
Travel	£100	-	£100
Management	£500	-	£500
Activities	£1,500	-	£1,500
Tools	£500	£500	-
Green Doctor	£1,000	£1,000	-
Energy from waste	£1,000	£1,000	-
Wild Oyster	£1,000	£1,000	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>£20,780</b>	<b>£3,500</b>	<b>£17,280</b>

This project meets the *Enhance Local green spaces* priority from the East Delivery Plan.  
Neighbourhood and Community Board Recommend Approve

### Application No 7

<b>Funding Source</b>	Neighbourhood Fund
<b>Name of Project</b>	Remember This? Improvements to Outdoor Area
<b>Lead Organisation</b>	Sunderland Mind

<b>Total cost of Project</b>	<b>Total Match Funding</b>	<b>Total NF Application</b>
£28,845	£0	£28,845
<b>Project Duration</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>End Date</b>
1- 2 months	April 2023	June 2023

#### ***ALL PROJECT DETAIL TAKEN VERBATIM FROM APPLICATIONS***

Within the grounds of our property we have an unused area which we believe to previously be a netball court when the building was used as school. It has fallen into a state of disrepair and has therefore been unused for several years. In conversation with several of our groups both children and adults they would love to be able to use it and have all expressed the need for outdoor activities.

We would therefore like to have the area professionally cleaned and resurfaced to make it safe for use and then marked up with games that are equally attractive to adults as well as young people, games that evoke memories of childhood for some of the older service users and residents. For some of the younger users it will be an education understanding how the games are played, it will be a distraction from the constant use of electronic games and build team play. The games chosen will be fun, increase physical activity, increase mental stimulation, build confidence and grow new friendships.

The development of this area will be part of a bigger project that will see development of the lower part of the garden to provide fruit and veg raised beds, sensory planting and a tranquil place to sit to reflect on the strains of daily life.

As an organisation we appreciate how important it is to encourage positive mental health and we also embrace the idea that good physical health has a major impact on an individual's positive mental health.

By means of developing the area into a fun games area we believe that we harness together both of these issues.

The area will be available for use by all residents when the building is open and we will make arrangements that partners in the area will have access to the space at anytime as we will provide keys to the gates so their groups can participate if they are planned at different times.

## Outputs

Data Field	Code	Output Target
<b>A Healthy Smart City Output</b>	<b>CODE</b>	
number of adults enjoying a healthier lifestyle (mentally, physically, independently)	201	100
number of assets purchased, improved and / or developed to contribute towards healthier lives	202	1
number of children and young people benefiting from this project	203	200
number of people signposted into Public/VCS services	205	100
number of people receiving information, advice and guidance	206	100
number of existing / derelict assets brought back into use by (2m)	214	720m2
<b>A Vibrant Smart City Output</b>	<b>CODE</b>	
number of volunteers recruited and participating	304	5

## Budget

Item and Description	Total Costs	Match Costs	NF Contribution
Area 720m2 Sweep and remove spoil, perimeter plane to form tie ins, apply bond coat, supply and machine lay 6mm wearing course at 40mm depth, seal all joints  Supply stone to form a ramp to kerbs  Supply and lay grass matts to grass verge	£24,398	-	£24,398
Jet wash playground and tidy up perimeter edging	£2,682	-	£2,682
Hopscotch 2.8 x 0.8m	£150	-	£150
Snakes and Ladders 3.1 x 3.1m	£725	-	£725
Chess/ chess pieces to be purchased separately	£395	-	£395
Walk a mile	£495	-	£495
<b>Total</b>	<b>£28,845</b>	<b>£0</b>	<b>£28,845</b>

This project meets the *Enhance Local green spaces* priority from the East Delivery Plan. Neighbourhood and Community Board Recommend Approve

**Application No 8**

<b>Funding Source</b>	Neighbourhood Investment Capital Programme
<b>Name of Project</b>	Street Watch Cameras
<b>Lead Organisation</b>	Sunderland City Council

<b>Total cost of Project</b>	<b>Match Funding</b>	<b>Total NICP Funding</b>
£25,000	Nil	£25,000
<b>Project Duration</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>End Date</b>
24 Months	June 2023	June 25

***Project Description***

To purchase 10 Street Watch CCTV cameras for the East Sunderland Area. This will enhance the existing East cameras for tackling issues of environmental crime.

**Outputs**

Data Field	Code	Output Target
A Vibrant City	CODE	Output
number of safety measurers installed/delivered to improve neighbourhoods	302	10
number of Enforcement actions supported by Areas	303	TBC

**Financial Information**

Item Description	Total cost	Match funding	NICP Contribution
10 x Street Watch Cameras	£25,000	Nil	£25,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>£25,000</b>		<b>£25,000</b>

This project meets *Enforcement* Priority from the East Delivery Plan. Neighbourhood and Community Board Recommendation Approve

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East Sunderland Area Committee

27 March 2023

Community Chest Awards April to March 2023

<b>Doxford Ward Budget</b>	<b>£10,000</b>		
<b>Project</b>	<b>Approval Date</b>	<b>Returned</b>	<b>Approvals</b>
Venerable Bede Academy	21.12.2020	£166	-
Doxford Athletics FC	08.08.2022	-	£762
Portland Academy	02.12.2022	-	£614
The box youth Community project	02.12.2022	-	£1,309
Benedict Biscop CE Academy	14.03.2023	-	£2,370
Sunderland Samaritans	14.03.2023	-	£1,000
Sunderland Area Parent support	14.03.2023	-	£3,000
<b>Remaining balance</b>			<b>£1,111</b>
<b>Hendon Ward Budget</b>	<b>£10,000</b>		
<b>Project</b>	<b>Approval Date</b>	<b>Returned</b>	<b>Approvals</b>
Hendon Community Allotments	20.10.2022	-	£916
Sunderland BME Network	20.10.2022	-	£750
Duke Fitness CIC	01.03.2023	-	£812
J&B Sunderland CIC	01.03.2023	-	£2,000
<b>Remaining balance</b>			<b>£5,522</b>
<b>Millfield Ward Budget</b>	<b>£10,000</b>		
<b>Project</b>	<b>Approval Date</b>	<b>Returned</b>	<b>Approvals</b>
50 <sup>th</sup> Sunderland Brownies	10.08.2022	-	£500
Sunderland BME Network Ltd	20.10.2022	-	£750
Sunderland Amateur boxing club	09.12.2022	-	£5,000
S & D Royal society for the blind	09.12.2022	-	£2,541
Everyone Active	01.03.2023	-	£900
<b>Remaining balance</b>			<b>£309</b>
<b>Ryhope Ward Budget</b>	<b>£10,000</b>		
<b>Project</b>	<b>Approval Date</b>	<b>Returned</b>	<b>Approvals</b>
Ryhope Cricket Club	25.05.2022	-	£995
Ryhope Junior School	13.07.2022	-	£1,000
10 <sup>th</sup> Sunderland ST Aidan's Guide	15.12.2022	-	£1,133
<b>Remaining balance</b>			<b>£6,872</b>

<b>St Michaels Ward Budget</b>	<b>£10,000</b>		
<b>Project</b>	<b>Approval Date</b>	<b>Returned</b>	<b>Approvals</b>
Police Cadets	17.05.2022	-	£650
The Little Company of Calm	29.06.2022	-	£500
Hill View Junior Academy	09.08.2022	-	£1,000
Hill View Infant Academy	09.08.2022	-	£1,000
St Marys Catholic Primary School	09.12.2022	-	£600
<b>Remaining balance</b>			<b>£6,250</b>



# Current Planning Applications(East)

Between 01/01/2023 and 28/02/2023

Reference	Address	Proposal	Date Valid	Target Date for Decision
23/00059/VA4	Chapelgarth South Of Weymouth RoadSunderland	Variation of condition 2 ( approved plans) attached to approved application 20/01517/LR4 Reserved Matters application for infrastructure, landscaping, drainage works and temporary construction access. (Hybrid approval ref : 16/00388/HY4).	13/01/2023	14/04/2023
23/00324/FUL	9 Montford CloseSunderlandSR3 2RL	Erection of a single storey extension to side and rear	10/02/2023	07/04/2023
23/00040/FUL	Rowlandson House1 Rowlandson TerraceSunderlandSR2 7SU	Proposed alterations to side elevation to cover windows and wall with smoked oak coloured millboard at ground floor level (up to 2.9 metres from street) with fire resistant and flame retardant artificial foliage to first and second floor levels up to eaves lines to increase privacy, security and amenity	13/01/2023	10/03/2023
23/00086/LBC	18 Park Place WestSunderlandSR2 8HT	Replacement front roof tiles to Welsh Slate. Replace UPVC windows to rear with timber double glazed sliding sash.Replace UPVC French doors to rear with timber double glazing and sidelightsReplace pantry window with timber double glazed sliding sash	13/01/2023	10/03/2023

Reference	Address	Proposal	Date Valid	Target Date for Decision
23/00153/FUL	110-112 High Street WestSunderlandSR1 1TX	Conversion of building to 14 no. self contained apartments, including commercial unit to ground floor (use class E), creation of mezzanine floor and external alterations to existing rear extension.	19/01/2023	20/04/2023
23/00154/LBC	110-112 High Street WestSunderlandSR1 1TX	Internal and external alterations to enable conversion of building to 14 no. self contained apartments and commercial unit to ground floor (use class E), including creation of mezzanine floor, installation of new access door to service yard, relocation of existing side access door, 3no. new window openings to rear lane and smoke vent.	19/01/2023	16/03/2023
23/00289/VAR	Former Law Courts44 John StreetSunderlandSR1 1RB	Variation of Condition 2 (Approved Plans) attached to planning approval 20/00688/FUL, to allow reconfiguration of layout with external alterations and the creation of a new rear access.	06/02/2023	03/04/2023
23/00239/SUB	Bella Marie Training Academy50 Borough RoadSunderlandSR1 1AE	Change of use and conversion of the ground floor to 4 apartments with door / window alterations.	09/02/2023	06/04/2023
23/00225/FUL	14 Bambro StreetHendonSunderlandSR2 8LE	Erection of single storey rear extension, recladding of existing dormer walls and replacement of rear lane gates to roller shutter door.	20/02/2023	17/04/2023

Reference	Address	Proposal	Date Valid	Target Date for Decision
23/00270/MAW	Tradebe Solvent Recycling Limited Hendon Dock Barrack Street Sunderland SR1 2BU	Installation of a distillation column and 5no. storage tanks	27/02/2023	03/06/2023
22/02628/LP3	Saint Marys Car Park Saint Marys Boulevard Sunderland SR1 3AH	Installation of solar panels to existing roof and associated battery storage.	05/01/2023	02/03/2023
23/00045/PCZ	University Library The Murray Centre Chester Road Sunderland SR1 3SD	Installation of roof mounted pv solar panels.	09/01/2023	06/03/2023
23/00072/FUL	6 Thornhill Terrace Sunderland SR2 7JL	Alterations to fenestration	12/01/2023	09/03/2023
23/00073/LBC	6 Thornhill Terrace Sunderland SR2 7JL	Ground Floor: install bi-fold door, new drainage and conservation roof lights; removal of internal walls and chimney; convert pantry to wc; First Floor: block up existing opening; Second Floor: block up existing opening; install new windows and vaulted ceiling to existing dormer; Replacement of windows as identified.	12/01/2023	09/03/2023

Reference	Address	Proposal	Date Valid	Target Date for Decision
23/00175/LB3	Elephant Tea Rooms 64-66 Fawcett Street Sunderland SR1 1BB	Variation of condition 2 (plans) attached to previously approved 21/02748/LB3 - Removal of existing shop front and replacement with new traditional timber and masonry shop fronts. Repair and conservation works to the upper elevations , to include masonry and window repairs, 3 no. casement windows at first floor level to be replaced with sliding sash windows.	23/01/2023	20/03/2023
23/00182/FUL	HSBC49 - 51 The Bridges Sunderland SR1 3LE	Installation of three replacement external ATM machines.	24/01/2023	21/03/2023
23/00183/ADV	HSBC49 - 51 The Bridges City Centre Sunderland SR1 3LE	Display of signage to three replacement external ATM machines.	24/01/2023	21/03/2023
23/00190/VA3	Elephant Tea Rooms 64- 66 Fawcett Street Sunderland SR1 1BB	Variation of condition 2 (plans) attached to planning application 21/02747/LP3 to allow the elevation to be amended to take account of the existing structure and services positions that could not be identified prior to works commencing.	25/01/2023	22/03/2023
23/00140/CLE	16 Elmwood Street Sunderland SR2 7JJ	Certificate of lawful existing use for a 6no. bed House In Multi Occupation	02/02/2023	30/03/2023

Reference	Address	Proposal	Date Valid	Target Date for Decision
23/00310/ADV	Land At Rear Of Steels Social Club Ltd1 Peacock Street WestSunderlandSR4 6LQ	Erection of single illuminated 48-sheet digital advertisement display.	09/02/2023	06/04/2023
23/00343/ADV	University Of Sunderland Pasteur BuildingChester RoadSunderlandSR1 3SD	Erection of 3 no. external building signage	14/02/2023	11/04/2023
23/00367/FU4	Land To Front Of Unit 2 Holiday InnKeel SquareCity CentreSunderlandSR1 3DS	Change of use to provide external seating area.	21/02/2023	18/04/2023
23/00316/FUL	24 Western HillThornhillSunderlandSR2 7PH	Change of use from dwelling to 4no. bed House In Multi Occupation (Retrospective)	27/02/2023	24/04/2023
23/00010/ADV	Land South Of RyhopeSouthern Radial RouteSunderland	Erection of 2 no. internally illuminated fascia signs, 1 internally illuminated totem sign, and an ATM sign.	04/01/2023	01/03/2023
23/00071/FUL	16 Wilshire CloseSunderlandSR2 0FD	Erection of garage extension to side	11/01/2023	08/03/2023
23/00147/FUL	14 Trotter TerraceSunderlandSR2 0LA	Erection of first floor side extension and single storey rear extension.	19/01/2023	16/03/2023

Reference	Address	Proposal	Date Valid	Target Date for Decision
23/00192/FU4	Land To South Of Leechmere RoadGrangerstownSunderland	Demolition of existing reservoir structure and erection of retail unit (Class E) along with external display area, parking, landscaping, servicing area, altered access and associated works.	25/01/2023	26/04/2023
23/00267/FUL	Saint Cuthberts Methodist ChurchRyhope Street SouthSunderlandSR2 0AA	Demolition of Methodist Church and erection of 6no bungalows and covered walkway with associated staff hubs, parking and landscaping	03/02/2023	31/03/2023
23/00026/FUL	39 Queen Alexandra RoadSunderlandSR2 9NX	Erection of two storey side extension and single storey extension to rear (as amended).	06/01/2023	03/03/2023
23/00074/FUL	86 Westheath AvenueSunderlandSR2 9NS	Erection of a single storey rear extension	12/01/2023	09/03/2023
22/01994/SUB	13 Hill View GardensSunderlandSR3 1XU	Proposed single storey extension to side/ rear.	24/01/2023	21/03/2023
22/02576/FUL	Sunderland Cricket & Rugby Football ClubWest LawnAshbrooke RoadSunderlandSR2 7HH	Erection of two storey extension and new lift access, with ramped access into building and additional raised viewing platform.	01/02/2023	29/03/2023

Reference	Address	Proposal	Date Valid	Target Date for Decision
23/00247/TPA	HeadteacherThornhill Park School24 Thornhill ParkSunderlandSR2 7LA	T202- Sycamore Remove branch over drive with cavity at union. Remove branch growing through T201. Reduce south and west crown (over drive) by 2m.T205- Sycamore Remove lowest eastern curved stem. Prune to tidy stubs T211- Maple Prune by 2m T214- Cherry Fell to ground level T216- Cherry Prune back to boundary wall. Prune to clear lamppost by 1mT232- Holly Sever ivy at the base T233- Holly Remove eastern stem. Reduce remaining stem by 3m to reduce weightT234- Holly Reduce height by 3m. Prune to balance crown shape T235- Holly Reduce height by 3m. Prune to balance crown shape T236- Holly Reduce height by 3m. Prune to balance crown shape T243- Holly Fell to ground level T244- Sorbus Fell to ground level T246- Poplar Reduce lowest northern limb (over lawn) to first growth point (4m from main stem). Reduce next northern limb to first growth point (Approx 5m from main stem). Thin upper crown by 20%T255- Sycamore Crown thin by 25% to reduce sail effect and overall weight T259- Sorbus Fell to ground level G3- Ash, Sycamore, Fell to ground level all trees. Treat stumps to prevent regrowthT201- Lime Prune to clear building by 2m T203- Aspen Crown clean to remove deadwood T213- Cherry Prune back to boundary line. Prune adjacent Buddlea to clear wall.T217- Holly Prune to clear	02/02/2023	30/03/2023

Reference	Address	Proposal	Date Valid	Target Date for Decision
23/00273/FUL	Culmore Lodge9 Victoria AvenueGrangetownSunderlandS R2 9PZ	wall by 2m T264- Elder Prune to clear building by 2mT265- Holly Remove stem closest to build back to growth point at 1.5m. Reduce remaining crown by 2m Erection of porch to front	03/02/2023	31/03/2023
22/01329/FUL	36-39 Stockton Road And1 Mary StreetSunderlandSR1 3NH	Change of use of ground floor retail units and first floor offices to 3no. luxury apartments at first floor with reception at ground floor, and retaining 3no. retail units at ground floor. External alterations to upgrade existing windows and the front cornice feature anthracite in colour, and new timber doors anthracite in colour.	03/02/2023	31/03/2023
23/00430/FUL	2A Nilverton AvenueSunderlandSR2 7TS	Extend garage to front with new pitched roof above.	24/02/2023	21/04/2023