

Report To:	Cabinet	Date:	22 nd June 2017
Heading:	ADOPTION OF LOCALITY PLANS		
Portfolio Holder:	CLLR NICOLLE NDIWENI – SAFER AND STRONGER COMMUNITIES		
Ward/s:	ALL		
Key Decision:	YES		
Subject To Call-In:	YES		

Purpose Of Report

To seek approval for adoption of the Locality Plans for each of the four areas of the district.

Recommendation(s)

To adopt the Locality Plans for each of the four areas of the district.

Reasons For Recommendation(s)

- 1) Adoption of the plans will help to raise awareness of the plans and locality working
- 2) Adoption of the plans will ensure that they can be used to support negotiations with developers for Section 106 contributions to fund projects within the plans. The plans will also carry greater weight at planning appeals.

Alternative Options Considered (With Reasons Why Not Adopted)

Not to adopt the plans, however adoption is necessary to support the process for securing S106 contributions from developers and will help raise awareness of the plans and locality working.

Detailed Information

An annual review of the plans was undertaken in the summer/ autumn of 2016 and the revised plans were approved by Area Committees in November last year. The plans were developed in consultation with local communities and members and support the Council's commitment to decision making at a local level. The Locality Team (within Economy) work with colleagues across the Council to deliver area focussed improvements and community empowerment, encouraging community engagement and coordinating inward investment to support implementation of the plans. Locality Plans comprise a number of themes and actions including: Increasing skills and employment; Regenerating town and village centres; Investment in parks and green spaces; Reducing crime and anti-social behaviour and Improving health and wellbeing.

To date a number of successful projects have been implemented in each area including town centre regeneration schemes, green space and play area improvements and events. The

Council's Quality of Life initiative and policy approved by Cabinet in July 2016 has influenced prioritisation of resource allocation and schemes within the Locality Plans.

Since the introduction of the planning CIL Regulations it is becoming increasingly difficult to secure Section 106 contributions, as it is necessary to demonstrate that the contribution is necessary to make the development acceptable in planning terms and that it is directly related to the development. The plans include a reserve list of longer term projects (potentially beyond the timeframe of the plans which are between 3-5 years duration) which provide evidence of need and will support Section 106 negotiations with developers to secure contributions for these projects.

Implications

Corporate Plan:

The development and implementation of the projects will assist in delivering the Health and Wellbeing, Economic Regeneration and Place and Communities priorities of the Corporate Plan.

Legal:

There are no direct legal implications contained within this report.

Finance:

This report is effective from 22/06/2017 and has the following financial implications:

Budget Area	Implication
General Fund – Revenue Budget	Revenue projects are contained within existing resources
General Fund – Capital Programme	Capital Projects are contained within the Capital Programme which was refreshed in February 2017. The available budget is therefore as detailed within the Capital Programme. Those projects that appear on the Reserve List do not appear on the capital programme but demonstrate priorities should funding become available.
Housing Revenue Account – Revenue Budget	None
Housing Revenue Account – Capital Programme	None

Human Resources / Equality and Diversity:

No direct Human Resource implications have been identified in this report.

Other Implications:

None

Reason(s) for Urgency (if applicable):

Not applicable.

Background Papers

Cabinet Capital Programme 24th November 2016

Area Committee Locality Plans, Hucknall Area Committee- 9th November 2016, Kirkby Area Committee- 16th November 2016, Rural Area Committee- 15th November 2016, Sutton Area Committee- 16th November 2016.

<http://adci/ccm/local/locality/locality-plans/>

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