

# HEALTHY, SAFE, CLEAN AND GREEN COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE AGENDA

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2019 at 1000 hours in the Council Chamber, The Arc, Clowne

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1.	<b><u>Apologies for Absence</u></b>	
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3.	<b><u>Declarations of Interest</u></b>  Members should declare the existence and nature of any Disclosable Pecuniary Interest and Non Statutory Interest as defined by the Members' Code of Conduct in respect of:  a) any business on the agenda b) any urgent additional items to be considered c) any matters arising out of those items  and if appropriate, withdraw from the meeting at the relevant time.	
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## **PART B – INFORMAL**

The formal meeting of the Growth Scrutiny Committee ends at this point. Members will meet informally as a working party to carry out their review work. This meeting is closed to the public, so members of the public should leave at this point.

## **HEALTHY, SAFE, CLEAN AND GREEN COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

Minutes of a Healthy, Safe, Clean and Green Communities Scrutiny Committee held in the Council Chamber, the Arc, High Street, Clowne on Monday 18th March 2019 at 1000 hours.

### **PRESENT:-**

Members:-

Councillor S. Peake in the Chair

Councillors Mrs P.A. Cooper, C.R. Moesby and P. Smith.

Officers:- D. Whallet (Housing Enforcement Manager)(to Minute No. 0805), J. Selby (Community Safety Officer)(to Minute No. 0805), M. Liddy (Anti-Social Behaviour Officer)(to Minute No. 0805), J. Wilson (Scrutiny & Elections Officer) and A. Bluff (Governance Officer).

Also in attendance at the meeting (to Minute No. 0805) was K. Hanson (Strategic Director – Place), Kevin Gillott (Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner, Office of Police & Crime Commissioner for Derbyshire), David Harrison (Partnership Sergeant, Derbyshire Police) and Robert Bowns (Local Policing Unit Inspector).

### **0798. APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors J.E. Bennett, J.A. Clifton, T. Munro and K.F. Walker.

### **0799. URGENT ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

There were no urgent items of business to consider.

### **0800. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest made.

### **0801. MINUTES – 1<sup>st</sup> MARCH 2019**

Moved by Councillor P. Smith and seconded by Councillor Mrs P.A. Cooper  
**RESOLVED** that the Minutes of a Healthy Safe Clean and Green Communities Scrutiny Committee held on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2019 be approved as a correct record.

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### 0802. EXTRAORDINARY MINUTES – 20<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2019

Moved by Councillor P. Smith and seconded by Councillor Mrs P.A. Cooper  
**RESOLVED** that the Minutes of an Extraordinary Healthy Safe Clean and Green Communities Scrutiny Committee held on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2019 be approved as a correct record.

### 0803. LIST OF KEY DECISIONS & ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED IN PRIVATE

Committee considered the List of Key Decisions and Items to be considered in private document.

Moved by Councillor C.R. Moesby and seconded by Councillor S. Peake  
**RESOLVED** that the List of Key Decisions and Items to be considered in private be noted.

### 0804. ANNUAL REVIEW OF COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP

Committee considered a report in relation to the annual review of the Bolsover Community Safety Partnership (CSP).

Section 19 of the Police and Justice Act required every local authority to have a Crime and Disorder Committee with the power to review or scrutinise decisions made, or other action taken, in connection with the discharge by the responsible authorities of their crime and disorder functions. (Responsible authorities were effectively the statutory partners within a community safety partnership, i.e. Police, local authorities (county and district), Fire and Rescue Authority, Probation Trusts and Clinical Commissioning Groups).

Attached to the report was a set of questions approved by Committee prior to the meeting, which summarised the main areas of enquiry and partners' responses; also a copy of the current Action Plan of the 2017-20 Partnership Plan, which was subject to review for the 2019/20 year of the plan. The revised version would be presented to a subsequent meeting of the Committee as part of the 2019/20 work programme.

Further appendices attached to the report were;

- Current Risk & Threat Priorities for 2017-20
- CSP Strategic Assessment updated at December 2018
- CSP Expenditure Plan 2017-18
- PCC/CSP Fund Template 2017/18
- CSP Expenditure Plan 2018/19
- PCC/CSP Fund Template 2018/19

With regard to the set of questions approved by Committee prior to the meeting and partners responses, further queries were raised by Members and the following points were highlighted;

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PCCs CSP Grant Fund; the Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner noted that funding for BDC in 2019/20 was guaranteed. However, the PCC elections were to be held in 2020 and the current Police and Crime Commissioner may not give a commitment for funding beyond his term. A review by the Home Office on the nine CSPs was also being carried out to see if they were fit for purpose. Further, within the County, CSPs, Derbyshire County Council and the Police were reviewing current CSP relationships and discussions had taken place as to whether to merge the nine CSPs into north and south based on police divisions which could also affect future funding of the CSPs.

In relation to spend profiles, a Member queried if emerging problems from trends identified in the south and other parts of the District could be looked at to target problems. Committee was advised that funding was targeted on crime type and not geographically, however, more provision for diversionary activities in the south of the District was being looked at for 2020 and also with the local children's partnership.

In relation to crime trends and in response to a Member's comment regarding the Bolsover Deliberate Fires Sub Group and the good results achieved from collaborative working, Committee was advised that due to the benefits of what had been achieved, Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Service wished to implement this as best practice in all of the CSP areas within the District.

A Member felt that in his parish there was a lack of feedback from the police regarding actions taken on reported incidents. Committee was advised that due to a reduction in resources, the police were no longer able to attend parish council meetings to deliver feedback, however, it was suggested that this could be included in the CSPs newsletter. Committee was also asked to note that a number of reported incidents of anti-social behaviour could be related to the same person/people and not all incidents may be a criminal offence - in both of these circumstances it would affect the number and reporting of outcomes. The Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner added that a new role to be created in the new financial year was a PCSO Supervisor - one for each district area. Their role would be to liaise more strongly with parish councils to keep them better informed. However, as there were approximately 254 parish councils across Derbyshire meeting each month, a PCSO Supervisor would not be able to attend all meetings. In addition, IT systems were being developed and trialled for better patterns of information by ward, though these were currently in the early stages of development.

Members agreed that it was beneficial to have PCSOs attend parish council meetings and if Councillors were kept informed of actions/outcomes they could also be the police's voice in the District.

In response to a Member's query where ASB was linked to a BDC property, it was confirmed that dependent upon the specific circumstances relating to each individual case, some cases of ASB could result in a breach of tenancy agreement and enforcement action could be taken. However, other cases may be assessed as requiring a more supportive approach to resolving problems.

With regard to the CSPs current and future working relationships with the SNTs and other partners and if there had been any impact on them from the recent budget/resource cuts, Committee was advised that the CSP had excellent working relationships with SNT officers and other partners and would continue to do so going forward. SNTs also attended the CSP Action Groups and were always willing to get involved in any

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projects/initiatives. A number of additional SNT officers had been allocated to the North Local Policing Unit (LPU) which would assist in the implementation of future joint projects and initiatives. Unfortunately, an example of the recent cuts in police budgets was that PCSOs could no longer attend the Extreme Wheels sessions on a regular basis.

The CSP commissioned Extreme Wheels sessions for targeted diversionary work in the District aimed at young people. The CSP Action Group monitored and determined which areas needed targeting and provided funding to Leisure Services to advertise the sessions on their behalf. Extreme Wheels staff would advise if there was regular low attendance at sessions and the event would be moved to another targeted area. Staff from the Multi Agency Teams (MAT) also attended Extreme Wheels activities and along with Leisure Services staff, engaged with young people in the streets to join in. However, there was concern regarding the future role of MATs outreach work with Extreme Wheels due to the potential cuts by Derbyshire County Council. In response to a Member's comment, the Partnership Sergeant noted that the parish councils' commissioning of Extreme Wheels was centred on positive leisure activity sessions rather than targeted diversionary activity sessions as commissioned by the CSP.

In relation to the Partnership Sergeant role, this had not ceased but had been reduced. The Partnership Sergeant had been in the role for six years and due to austerity there had been significant changes. However, opportunities had also been created in having an impact on making the community safer, for example, in partnership with the CSPs; cyber-crime, safeguarding issues; e.g. the roll out of the 'Ask Angela' and 'Holly Guard' initiatives together with county-lines issues and others such as 'Thriving Communities' and 'Building Better Opportunities'. In response to a Member's query, the Partnership Sergeant commented that national research had showed that 20% of all police calls for service on a national basis were mental health related – this put enormous pressure on the police but was where partnership working and schemes such as Building Better Opportunities came into their own.

With regard to proposed additional resources identified in the budget report, as a result of the increase in the 2019/20 precept and budget settlement from the Government, Committee was advised that the Police and Crime Commissioner had worked closely with the Chief Constable to produce a viable plan to increase police visibility and focus on areas highlighted to him by the public as a matter of concern. There would be 42 new Safer Neighbourhood Team posts with a further 8 officers transferred to SNTs from the Response Unit. 22 Detective Staff Investigators to support neighbourhood safeguarding units plus 28 police officers to help rebalance capacity in the north and south of the County, 5 police constables in the countywide Rural Crime Team, 7 police constables and one new Sergeant for roads policing, 7 members of staff to develop and support the analytical capability of the Force, 2 temporary criminal justice members of staff and 2 members of staff to assist the public in coordinating speed-watch initiatives across the County. Investment in work to prevent crime, including issues such as domestic abuse, and additional mental health support plus one new Sergeant. Investment in tasers, drones and automatic number plate recognition (ANPR) capability including four new police constables and one ANPR member of staff.

The Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner noted that speeding vehicles was an issue on rural roads in most villages and police capacity to deal with this was limited. Communities in Derbyshire were being asked to form a Community Speed Watch, similar to Neighbourhood Watch, were if volunteers, (trained by the police) could demonstrate that

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there was a real problem in their village this would give strength to enforcement being undertaken in that area.

The Local Policing Unit Inspector added that for Bolsover and North East Derbyshire District, there would be a Neighbourhood Investigating Officer, 5 Response Officers and 3 SNT PCs, 2 PCSO Supervisors (one for Bolsover and one for North East), however, the number of PCSOs had not yet been allocated.

Committee was advised that the way in which police officers were recruited in the future would change. The College of Policing wanted all new police officers to complete a three year degree course; PCDA – Police Constable Degree Apprenticeship. In response to a Member's query, the Local Policing Unit Inspector replied that if a person already had a degree in criminology or law then that would be accepted for them to be able to apply to be a police officer.

In response to a Member's query, the Local Policing Unit Inspector advised the meeting that the police were always pushing for recruitment of 'Specials'. If any of the Specials wanted to become a regular full time police officer they would have to complete the Police Constable Degree Apprenticeship. However, there was currently a transition this year that would expire in December 2019 were any Special who wanted to become a regular police officer could do so through a system where they would not have to complete the degree course.

In response to a Member's query regarding the 3 PSPOs in the District, the Anti-Social Behaviour Officer provided some background information on how these had come into force. It was also confirmed that the PSPOs in Shirebrook and Langwith had been extended as a result of their success.

The Community Safety Officer advised the meeting that Scrutiny Committee could support the work of the CSP by continuing to raise awareness of the CSP's priority issues. She added that the refreshed CSP Plan for 2019/20 would be published at the end of March 2019.

The Strategic Director – Place commented that the Divisional Commander, Rachel Osborne, had provided a presentation to the Partnership and had been invited to the Joint Strategic Alliance meeting to provide the same presentation.

The Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner encouraged Members to take up the offer of having the Divisional Commander attend a future Council meeting and also the parish council Liaison meetings to provide a broader picture to Members of future challenges faced by the police.

The Chair thanked the Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner, the Partnership Sergeant, and the Local Policing Unit Inspector and also the Housing Enforcement Manager, the Community Safety Officer and the Anti-Social Behaviour Officer for attending the meeting.

Moved by Councillor C.R. Moesby and seconded by Councillor S. Peake  
**RESOLVED** that the update be noted.

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The Housing Enforcement Manager, the Community Safety Officer, the Anti-Social Behaviour Officer and the Strategic Director – Place left the meeting.

The Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner, the Partnership Sergeant and the North East Derbyshire Local Policing Unit Inspector left the meeting.

### **0805. REVIEW OF AUTHORITY'S PERCEPTION OF YOUNG PEOPLE – EXECUTIVE RESPONSE**

Committee considered a report which provided Executive's response to the Committee's Review of the Authority's Perception of Young People.

The aim of the review was to establish the current approach across frontline services when interacting with young people and to ensure the Council portrayed a positive image.

Committee submitted two recommendations which would hopefully assist the Council in maintaining and further enhancing its positive approach when dealing with young people.

The report acknowledged Executive's response to the Review recommendations and advised Committee to commence a period of Post-Scrutiny Monitoring to ensure effective implementation of the approved recommendations.

Moved by Councillor C.R. Moesby and seconded by Councillor Mrs P.A. Cooper  
**RESOLVED** that (1) Executive's response to the Review of the Authority's Perception of Young People be noted,

(2) the report and findings be made public in accordance with Part 4.5.17(3) of the Council's Constitution,

(3) progress on the recommendations be monitored by officers and a report be presented to Committee in twelve months' highlighting any exceptions to delivery.

(Scrutiny & Elections Officer)

### **0806. SCRUTINY COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME 2018/19**

Committee considered their Work Programme for the remainder of 2018/19.

The Scrutiny & Elections Officer advised the meeting that the Committee's Review of the Authority's Perception of Young People had been presented to the Youth Council held on 12<sup>th</sup> March 2019 and also the draft survey. Some slight amendments had been made to the survey at the suggestion of Youth Councillors. The Survey was now with the Improvement Team, ready to go on the software system. Each school would carry out their own survey and bring back results to the June meeting.

A Member suggested that some representatives of the Youth Council could be invited to attend the Council meeting for the presentation to be given by the Police and Youth Councillors could submit two or three written questions in advance of the meeting.

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Moved by Councillor C.R. Moesby and seconded by Councillor P. Smith

**RESOLVED** that (1) the Work Programme 2018/19 be noted,

(2) the Scrutiny & Elections Officer liaise with the Improvement Officer with regard to inviting representatives from the Youth Council to the presentation to be given by the Police at a future Council meeting.

(Scrutiny & Elections Officer)

The meeting concluded at 1150 hours.





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## **Key Decisions & Items to be Considered in Private**

**To be made under the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012**

**Published on: 24<sup>th</sup> May 2019**

## INTRODUCTION

The list attached sets out decisions that are termed as “Key Decisions” at least 28 calendar days before they are due to be taken by the Executive or an officer under delegated powers.

Preparation of the list helps Executive to programme its work. The purpose of the list is to give notice and provide an opportunity for consultation on the issues to be discussed. The list is updated each month with the period of the list being rolled forward by one month and republished. The list is available for public inspection at the The Arc, High Street, Clowne, S43 4JY. Copies of the list can be obtained from Sarah Sternberg, Joint Head of Service for Corporate Governance, Solicitor to the Council & Monitoring Officer at this address or by email to [sarah.sternberg@bolsover.gov.uk](mailto:sarah.sternberg@bolsover.gov.uk). The list can also be accessed from the Council’s website at [www.bolsover.gov.uk](http://www.bolsover.gov.uk).

The Executive is allowed to make urgent decisions which do not appear in the list, however, a notice will be published at The Arc and on the Council’s website explaining the reasons for the urgent decisions. Please note that the decision dates are indicative and are subject to change.

Members of Executive are as follows:

Councillor Steve Fritchley - Leader  
Councillor Duncan McGregor – Deputy Leader  
Councillor Mary Dooley  
Councillor Clive Moesby  
Councillor Sandra Peake

The Executive agenda and reports are available for inspection by the public five clear days prior to the meeting of the Executive. The papers can be seen at The Arc at the above address. The papers are also available on the Council’s website referred to above. Background papers are listed on each report submitted to the Executive and members of the public are entitled to see these documents unless they contain exempt or confidential information. The report also contains the name and telephone number of a contact officer.

Meetings of the Executive are open to the public and usually take place in the Council Chamber at The Arc. Occasionally there are items included on the agenda which are exempt and for those items the public will be asked to leave the meeting. This list also shows the reports intended to be dealt with in private and the reason why the reports are exempt or confidential. Members of the public may make representations to the Joint Head of Service for Corporate Governance, Solicitor to the Council & Monitoring Officer about any particular item being considered in exempt and why they think it should be dealt with in public.

The list does not detail *all* decisions which have to be taken by the Executive, only “Key Decisions” and “Exempt Reports”. In these Rules a “Key Decision” means an Executive decision, which is likely:

(1) **REVENUE**

- (a) Results in the Council making Revenue Savings of £75,000 or more; or
- (b) Results in the Council incurring Revenue Expenditure of £75,000 or more

(2) **CAPITAL**

- (a) Results in the Council making Capital Income of £150,000 or more; or
- (b) Results in the Council incurring Capital Expenditure of £150,000 or more

(3) to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards in the District.

In determining the meaning of “significant” the Council must have regard to any guidance for the time being issued by the Secretary of State. The Council has decided that revenue income or expenditure of £75,000 or more and capital income or expenditure of £150,000 or more is significant.

**The dates for meetings of Executive for 2019/20 are as follows:**

Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> June 2019	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> January 2020
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2019	Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2020
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2019	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2020
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> September 2019	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> March 2020
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> October 2019	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> March 2020
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> November 2019	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> April 2020
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> May 2020

The Council hereby gives notice of its intention to make the following Key Decisions and/or decisions to be considered in private:

Matter in respect of which a decision will be taken	Decision Maker	Date of Decision	Documents to be considered	Contact Officer	Is this decision a Key Decision?	Is this key decision to be heard in public or private session
<b>Award of contract for roofing for Council properties</b>	Executive	10 <sup>th</sup> June 2019	Report of Portfolio Holder - Housing and Environment	Joint Head of Housing and Community Safety.	Yes - involves revenue income or expenditure of £75,000 or more and/or capital income or expenditure of £150,000 or more.	Public
<b>Safe and Warm Works At The Paddock Bolsover</b>	Executive	10 <sup>th</sup> June 2019	Report of Portfolio Holder – Housing and Environment	Contract Administrator/ Building Surveyor	Yes – as the decision is likely to result in the Council incurring Capital expenditure £150,000 or more.	Exempt – Paragraph 3
<b>Procurement report for the appointment of the facilities contractor following evaluation exercise</b>	Executive	10 <sup>th</sup> June 2019	Report of the Leader	Corporate Property Manager	Yes – Revenue expenditure greater than £75,000.00	Exempt – Paragraph 3

Matter in respect of which a decision will be taken	Decision Maker	Date of Decision	Documents to be considered	Contact Officer	Is this decision a Key Decision?	Is this key decision to be heard in public or private session
<b>Combined Heat &amp; Power Investment</b>	Executive	24 <sup>th</sup> June 2019	Report of the Portfolio Holder Finance & Resources	Joint Head of Partnership and Transformation	Yes - involves revenue income or expenditure of £75,000 or more and/or capital income or expenditure of £150,000 or more.	Exempt Paragraph 3
<b>Extension to Council Property at Bakestone Moor, Whitwell</b>	Executive	24 <sup>th</sup> June 2019	Report of Portfolio Holder – Housing and Environment	Grant Galloway, Head of Property and Commercial Services	Yes - involves revenue income or expenditure of £75,000 or more and/or capital income or expenditure of £150,000 or more.	Exempt Paragraph 1
<b>Decision to award contract to successful bidder in respect of tender for 'Bolsover voluntary community sector infrastructure support'</b>	Executive	24 <sup>th</sup> June 2019	Report of the Portfolio Holder Partnerships and Transformation	Pam Brown, Partnerships, Strategy and Policy Manager	Yes - involves revenue income or expenditure of £75,000 or more and/or capital income or expenditure of £150,000 or more.	Public

<b>Matter in respect of which a decision will be taken</b>	<b>Decision Maker</b>	<b>Date of Decision</b>	<b>Documents to be considered</b>	<b>Contact Officer</b>	<b>Is this decision a Key Decision?</b>	<b>Is this key decision to be heard in public or private session</b>
<b>Proposal for a second phase of the Business Growth Fund</b>	Executive	24 <sup>th</sup> June 2019	Report of the Portfolio Holder Partnerships and Transformation – Proposal for a second phase of the Business Growth Fund	Pam Brown, Partnerships, Strategy and Policy Manager	Yes - involves revenue income or expenditure of £75,000 or more and/or capital income or expenditure of £150,000 or more.	Public
<b>Decision to award contract to successful bidder in respect of tender for 'Raising Aspirations'</b>	Executive	22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2019	Report of the Portfolio Holder Partnerships and Transformation – Award of contract for Raising Aspirations programme	Pam Brown, Partnerships, Strategy and Policy Manager	Yes - involves revenue income or expenditure of £75,000 or more and/or capital income or expenditure of £150,000 or more.	Public

<b>Matter in respect of which a decision will be taken</b>	<b>Decision Maker</b>	<b>Date of Decision</b>	<b>Documents to be considered</b>	<b>Contact Officer</b>	<b>Is this decision a Key Decision?</b>	<b>Is this key decision to be heard in public or private session</b>
<b>Safe &amp; Warm Upgrade Scheme Park View Barlborough</b>	Executive	22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2019	Report of Portfolio Holder – Housing and Environment	R Mooney (Contract Administrator)	Yes - estimated value of works is £180K Capital spend	Exempt Paragraph 3

**SCHEDULE 12A**  
**ACCESS TO INFORMATION: EXEMPT INFORMATION**

**PART 1**  
**DESCRIPTIONS OF EXEMPT INFORMATION: ENGLAND**

1. Information relating to any individual.
2. Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual.
3. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).
4. Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under, the authority.
5. Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings.
6. Information which reveals that the authority proposes –
  - (a) to give under any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person; or
  - (b) To make an order or direction under any enactment.
7. Information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime.



**Bolsover District Council**

**Healthy, Safe, Clean and Green Communities Scrutiny Committee**

**21<sup>st</sup> June 2019**

**Corporate Plan Targets Performance Update – January to March 2019  
(Q4 – 2018/19)**

**Report of the Information, Engagement & Performance Manager**

This report is public

**Purpose of the Report**

- To report the quarter 4 outturns for the Corporate Plan 2015-2019 targets.

**1 Report Details**

1.1 The attached contains the performance outturn for targets which sit under the 'supporting our communities to be healthier, safer, cleaner and greener' corporate aim as of 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019. (Information compiled on 31st May 2019)

1.2 A summary is provided below:

**1.3 Supporting our Communities to be Healthier, Safer, Cleaner and Greener**

- 17 targets in total (6 target previously achieved – H05, H06, H08, H13, H14, H16, 1 target previously withdrawn – H15, 1 target suspended previously – H04)
- 1 target on track (H17 - runs until September 2019)
- 2 targets have been marked as failed as they have not achieved their intended outcomes by March 2019:
  - **H 03** - *Deliver a health intervention programme which provides 900 adults per year with a personal exercise plan via the exercise referral scheme.* - Despite not meeting the target this year, this target has been exceeded in years 1 to 3 of the corporate plan.
  - **H09** - *Achieve a combined recycling and composting rate of 49% by March 2019.* See appendix for information including performance outturns for the corporate plan period.
- 6 targets have been achieved
  - **H 01** - *Deliver a minimum of 8000 hours of positive activity through community based culture and leisure engagement per year.*

- **H 02** - *Increase participation/attendances in leisure, sport, recreation, health, physical and cultural activity by 3,000 per year.*
- **H 07** - *Assist partners in reducing crime by delivering 12 Crime Cracking events in the community each year.*
- **H 10** - *Sustain standards of litter cleanliness to ensure 96% of streets each year meet an acceptable level as assessed by Local Environment Quality Surveys (LEQS).*
- **H 11** - *Sustain standards of dog fouling cleanliness to ensure 98% of streets each year meet an acceptable level as assessed by Local Environment Quality Surveys (LEQS).*
- **H 12** - *Annually undertake 10 local environmental enforcement and educational initiatives in targeted areas to deal with dog fouling, littering or fly tipping.*

## **2 Conclusions and Reasons for Recommendation**

- 2.1 Out of the 17 targets, 1 is on track, 6 targets achieved this quarter, 6 have been achieved previously, 2 targets marked as failed, 1 withdrawn previously and 1 suspended previously.
- 2.2 This is an information report to keep Members informed of progress against the corporate plan targets noting achievements and any areas of concern.

## **3 Consultation and Equality Impact**

- 3.1 Not applicable to this report as consultation was carried out on the original Corporate Plan.

## **4 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection**

- 4.1 Not applicable to this report as providing an overview of performance against agreed targets.

## **5 Implications**

### **5.1 Finance and Risk Implications**

No finance or risk implications within this performance report.

### **5.2 Legal Implications including Data Protection**

No legal implications within this performance report.

### **5.3 Human Resources Implications**

No human resource implications within this performance report.

## 6 Recommendations

6.1 That progress against the Corporate Plan 2015-2019 targets be noted.

## 7 Decision Information




<p><b>Is the decision a Key Decision?</b>  A Key Decision is an executive decision which has a significant impact on two or more District wards or which results in income or expenditure to the Council above the following thresholds:  <i>BDC: Revenue - £75,000</i> <input type="checkbox"/>  <i>Capital - £150,000</i> <input type="checkbox"/>  <i>NEDDC: Revenue - £100,000</i> <input type="checkbox"/>  <i>Capital - £250,000</i> <input type="checkbox"/>  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Please indicate which threshold applies</i></p>	No
<p><b>Is the decision subject to Call-In?</b>  (Only Key Decisions are subject to Call-In)</p>	No
<p><b>Has the relevant Portfolio Holder been informed</b></p>	Yes
<p><b>District Wards Affected</b></p>	Not applicable
<p><b>Links to Corporate Plan priorities or Policy Framework</b></p>	Links to all Corporate Plan 2015-2019 aims and priorities

## 8 Document Information

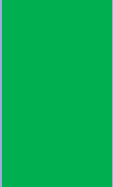
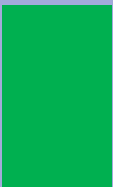
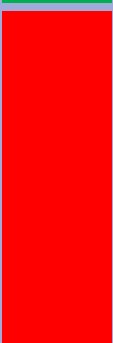
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**Bolsover District Council  
Corporate Plan Targets Update – Q4 January to March 2019**

**Status key**

<b>Target Status</b>	Usage
 On Track	The target is progressing well against the intended outcomes and intended date.
 Achieved	The target has been successfully completed within the target date. Success to be celebrated fully.
 Failed	The target has failed to achieve what it set out to accomplish within the intended target date.

**Aim – Supporting our Communities to be Healthier, Safer, Cleaner and Greener**

<b>Key Corporate Target</b>	<b>Directorate</b>	<b>Status</b>		<b>Progress</b>	<b>Target Date</b>
H 01 - Deliver a minimum of 8000 hours of positive activity through community based culture and leisure engagement per year.	People	Achieved		The target figure for the year is 8000 hours, actual performance to end of financial year is 9223.	Sun-31-Mar-19
H 02 - Increase participation/attendances in leisure, sport, recreation, health, physical and cultural activity by 3,000 per year.	People	Achieved		Year-end target is 300,000 attendances. Actual to end of financial year is 389,673.	Sun-31-Mar-19
H 03 - Deliver a health intervention programme which provides 900 adults per year with a personal exercise plan via the exercise referral scheme.	People	Failed		Bolsover District Council is commissioned by Bolsover Partnership and County Public Health to deliver a Health Intervention programme, the combined number of people starting this programme to the end of the financial year is 764, against an annual target of 800.  <b>Despite not meeting the target this year, this target has been exceeded in years 1 to 3 of the corporate plan:</b> 2015/16 – 1130 referrals	Sun-31-Mar-19

Key Corporate Target	Directorate	Status		Progress	Target Date
				2016/17 – 1120 referrals 2017/18 – 905 referrals 2018/19 – 764 referrals – Revised target 800	
H 07 - Assist partners in reducing crime by delivering 12 Crime Cracking events in the community each year.	Place	Achieved		<p>Q4:13 events were attended by the CSP team and Partners during 2018/19, providing crime prevention and personal safety advice and information to local residents -</p> <p>24.05.18: SNT surgery at South Normanton Co-op 01.07.18: Brookhill Hall, South Normanton 03.07.18: South Normanton Over 50s Club 07.07.18: South Normanton Gala 15.07.18: Pinxton Family Fun Day 31.07.18: Shirebrook Family Picnic event 08.09.18: Family Fun Day on Rainbow Park, Shirebrook 18.09.18: Eats and Treats event, Shirebrook 07.11.18: Curtains to Window Shoppers - Clowne Contact Centre 08.11.18: Curtains to Window Shoppers - Bolsover Contact Centre 13.11.18: Curtains to Window Shoppers - Shirebrook Contact Centre 22.11.18: Curtains to Window Shoppers - The Hub, South Normanton 27.11.18: Eats and Treats event - Creswell</p> <p><b>2018/19, the CSP has attended 26 events.</b></p>	Sun-31-Mar-19
H 09 - Achieve a combined recycling and composting rate of 49% by March 2019.	People	Failed		Q4 (2018\19) Estimated based on like performance at ending March 2018 due to Waste Data Flow information not being available until March 2019. It is estimated that 2,028 tonnes of recyclable\compostable waste will be collected between	Sun-31-Mar-19

Key Corporate Target	Directorate	Status		Progress	Target Date
				<p>January to February 2019, yielding Q4 recycling rate of 27.2 % with an overall annual combined recycling rate of 40% (approx.) Recycling performance has been greatly affected by the late cold (spring period) and extended dry summer period affecting green (garden) waste collections.</p> <p>Q3 (2018\19) Actual 2,719 tonnes of recyclable\compostable waste was collected between October to December 2018 yielding a combined recycling rate of 36.9%.</p> <p>Corporate plan actuals: 2015/16 - 42.3% 2016/17 – 41.2% 2017/18 – 40.2% 2018/19 – 38.8% Estimate</p> <p>This target has been revised to 47% for 2019/20.</p>	
H 10 - Sustain standards of litter cleanliness to ensure 96% of streets each year meet an acceptable level as assessed by Local Environment Quality Surveys (LEQS).	People	Achieved		<p>Q4 (2018/19) LEQS's established 3% of streets and relevant land surveyed for litter fell below grade B cleanliness standards resulting in 98% meeting the target standard.</p> <p>Annual (2018/19) LEQS's established that the combined Q1,Q2,Q3 &amp; Q4 figures indicate that 2.5% have fallen below the required standard resulting in <b>97.5%</b> meeting the standard and achieving the 96% overall target.</p>	Sun-31-Mar-19
H 11 - Sustain standards of dog fouling cleanliness to ensure 98% of streets each year meet an acceptable level as	People	Achieved		<p>Q4 (2018/19) LEQS's established 1% of streets and relevant land surveyed for dog fouling fell below grade B cleanliness standards resulting in 99% meeting the target standard.</p>	Sun-31-Mar-19

Key Corporate Target	Directorate	Status		Progress	Target Date
assessed by Local Environment Quality Surveys (LEQS).				Annual (2018/19) LEQS's established that the combined Q1,Q2,Q3 & Q4 figures indicate that 0.5% have fallen below the required standard resulting in <b>99.5%</b> meeting the standard and achieving the 98% overall target.	
H 12 - Annually undertake 10 local environmental enforcement and educational initiatives in targeted areas to deal with dog fouling, littering or fly tipping.	Place	Achieved		<p>April 2019 - Quarter 4</p> <p>11. Clowne - enforcement patrol with CAN Rangers - 1 fixed penalty notice issued for littering offence</p> <p>12. Youth Council - to raise awareness and discuss littering outside schools</p> <p>13. Creswell - enforcement patrol with CAN Rangers - 3 fixed penalty notices issued for littering offences</p> <p>14. Heritage Secondary School Clowne - litter pick with students</p> <p>15. Shirebrook - enforcement patrol with CAN Rangers and Street Scene - 2 fixed penalty notices issued for littering offences</p> <p><b>Q4 - 5 initiatives undertaken. YTD 15 initiatives undertaken</b></p>	Sun-31-Mar-19
H 17 - To deliver the Building Resilience Programme by September 2019	People	On track		Q4 The Building Resilience programme continues to make good progress across all strands of activity. Around £57,000 has been approved to date for the Phase 2 Controlling Migration Fund submitted; a decision on the funding for 19/20 is still awaited. The initial approval will be utilised to appoint a Business Forum Co-ordinator for a period of 12 months to complement the activity in Shirebrook Market Square and wider NG20 area, as well as funding additional community engagement events and the production of a service information welcoming pack.	Sep-19

## Extract from PERFORM

**Corporate Plan Target H 03 – Deliver a health intervention programme which provides 485 adults per year with a personal exercise plan via the exercise referral scheme.**

<b>Aim</b>
Supporting Our Communities to be Healthier, Safer, Cleaner and Greener

<b>Priority</b>
Improving health and wellbeing by contributing to the delivery of Healthy Bolsover priorities

<b>Target</b>
Deliver a health intervention programme which provides 485 adults per year with a personal exercise plan via the exercise referral scheme.

<b>Planned activities to deliver target</b>
Implement the following contracts/commissions;  Integrated Wellbeing Approach (DCC Public Health contract)  Bolsover Wellness + (Bolsover LAC Locality Plan contract)

<b>Owner</b>	<b>Lead Officer(s)</b>
Lee Hickin - Joint Executive Director - People Matt Broughton - Joint Head of Service - Partnership & Transformation	Wayne Carter - Facilities Plan/Dev Officer

<b>Monitoring Context</b>
Occasionally we may experience a time lag of up to 1 month due to the reliance upon other agencies to provide certain data/information which is beyond our control. This will be reported accordingly via PERFORM as and when the situation occurs.

<b>Expected Outcomes</b>
Equitable access to the Derbyshire Health Referral Scheme and physical activity opportunities for the residents of Derbyshire County  Clients are supported to increase activity levels and are able to sustain behaviour change  Impact on the individual clinical referral goal(s) set by the Primary Care referrer  Data on client activity levels and preferences is used to develop responsive services  Recorded reduction in inactivity at individual and district level  Inactivity prevalence in Derbyshire County begins to decrease  Contribution to the development of a fully integrated approach to Health and Wellbeing in Derbyshire



## Progress

Month	Comments
May 19/20	** Updated Target for 2019/20** Target amended from 800 to 485.
Apr 19/20	Bolsover District Council is commissioned by Bolsover Partnership and County Public Health to deliver a Health Intervention programme, the combined number of people starting this programme to the end of the financial year is 764, against an annual target of 800. Despite not meeting the target this year, this target has been exceeded in years 1 to 3 of the corporate plan: 2015/16 – 1130 referrals 2016/17 – 1120 referrals 2017/18 – 905 referrals 2018/19 – 764 referrals – Revised target 800
Jan 18/19	QTR 3 - 18/19 - Bolsover District Council is commissioned by Bolsover Partnership and County Public Health to deliver a Health Intervention programme, the combined number of people starting this programme to the end of quarter 3 is 597, against an annual target of 800.
Oct 18/19	QTR 2 - 18/19 - Bolsover District Council is commissioned by Bolsover Partnership and County Public Health to deliver a Health Intervention programme, the combined number of people starting this programme in the first half of the year is 432, against an annual target of 800.
Jul 18/19	QTR 1 - 18/19 - Bolsover District Council is commissioned by Bolsover Partnership and County Public Health to deliver a Health Intervention programme, the combined number of people starting this programme in the first quarter is 221, against an annual target of 800.
Apr 18/19	Q4 - BDC is commissioned to deliver a health intervention programme by County Public Health. The scheme covers two programmes, the Derbyshire Integrated Wellbeing Approach and Bolsover Wellness Plus. A combined figure of 1000 referrals has been set from these two programmes. Due to the restructures within County Public Health it has proven increasingly difficult to maintain referral numbers from doctors surgeries, with this in mind we have agreed a 25% reduction in referral numbers with the intention of securing visits to all surgeries to promote the programme and hopefully re-establish the numbers, therefore a new target was set at 750 referrals for the year.  To the end of March 2018 we have seen 905 clients at a number of different locations including Go Active @ The Arc, Shirebrook Leisure Centre and Welbeck Road Doctors Surgery.
Jan 17/18	Q3 - BDC is commissioned to deliver a health intervention programme by County Public Health. The scheme covers two programmes, the Derbyshire Integrated Wellbeing Approach and Bolsover Wellness Plus. A combined figure of 1000 referrals has been set from these two programmes.  To the end of December 2017 we have seen 700 clients at a number of different locations including Go Active @ The Arc, Shirebrook Leisure Centre and Welbeck Road Doctors Surgery.
Oct 17/18	Q2 - BDC is commissioned to deliver a health intervention programme by County Public Health. The scheme covers two programmes, the Derbyshire Integrated Wellbeing

Month	Comments
	<p>Approach and Bolsover Wellness Plus. A combined figure of 1000 referrals has been set from these two programmes.</p> <p>To the end of September 2017 we have seen 542 clients at a number of different locations including Go Active @ The Arc, Shirebrook Leisure Centre and Welbeck Road Doctors Surgery.</p>
Jul 17/18	<p>Q1 - BDC is commissioned to deliver a health intervention programme by County Public Health. The scheme covers two programmes, the Derbyshire Integrated Wellbeing Approach and Bolsover Wellness Plus. A combined figure of 1000 referrals has been set from these two programmes.</p> <p>To the end of June 2017 we have seen 289 clients at a number of different locations including Clowne Sports Centre, Shirebrook Leisure Centre and Welbeck Road Doctors Surgery.</p>
May 17/18	<p>Q4 - BDC is commissioned to deliver a health intervention programme by County Public Health. The scheme covers two programmes, the Derbyshire Integrated Wellbeing Approach and Bolsover Wellness Plus. A combined figure of 900 referrals has been set from these two programmes.</p> <p>To the end of March 2017 we have seen 1120 clients at a number of different locations including Clowne Sports Centre, Creswell Leisure Centre, Shirebrook Leisure Centre, Welbeck Road Doctors surgery and Frederick Gent Sports Centre. 2016/17 Achieved</p>
Apr 17/18	<p>Q4 - Bolsover District Council is commissioned to deliver a health intervention programme by County Public Health. The scheme covers two programmes, the Derbyshire Integrated Wellbeing Approach and Bolsover Wellness Plus. A combined figure of 900 referrals has been set from these two programmes.</p> <p>To the end of March 2017 we have seen 1120 clients at a number of different locations including Clowne Sports Centre, Creswell Leisure Centre, Shirebrook Leisure Centre, Welbeck Road Doctors surgery and Frederick Gent Sports Centre</p>
Jan 16/17	<p>Q3 - Bolsover District Council is commissioned to deliver a health intervention programme by County Public Health. The scheme covers two programmes, the Derbyshire Integrated Wellbeing Approach and Bolsover Wellness Plus. A combined figure of 900 referrals has been set from these two programmes.</p> <p>To the end of December 2016 we have seen 772 clients at a number of different locations including Clowne Sports Centre, Creswell Leisure Centre, Shirebrook Leisure Centre, Welbeck Road Doctors surgery and Frederick Gent Sports Centre</p>
Oct 16/17	<p>Q2 - Bolsover District Council is commissioned to deliver a health intervention programme by County Public Health. The scheme covers two programmes, the Derbyshire Integrated Wellbeing Approach and Bolsover Wellness Plus. A combined figure of 900 referrals has been set from these two programmes.</p> <p>To the end of September 2016 we have seen 623 clients at a number of different locations including Clowne Sports Centre, Creswell Leisure Centre, Shirebrook Leisure Centre, Welbeck Road Doctors surgery and Frederick Gent Sports Centre</p>

Month	Comments
Jul 16/17	<p>Q1 - Bolsover District Council is commissioned to deliver a health intervention programme by County Public Health. The scheme covers two programmes, the Derbyshire Integrated Wellbeing Approach and Bolsover Wellness Plus. A combined figure of 900 referrals has been set from these two programmes.</p> <p>To the end of June 2016 we have seen 308 clients at a number of different locations including Clowne Sports Centre, Creswell Leisure Centre, Shirebrook Leisure Centre, Welbeck Road Doctors surgery and Frederick Gent Sports Centre</p>
Apr 16/17	<p>Q4 - For the financial year 2015/16, the health referral team received a total of 1130 referrals from both the Derbyshire County Integrated Wellbeing approach and the Bolsover Wellness Plus programme. We have received referrals into Clowne and Creswell Sports Centres as well as working with partners to deliver the programme in Shirebrook Leisure Centre, Welbeck Road Health Surgery and Frederick Gent Community Sports Centre.</p>
Jan 15/16	<p>Q3 - The health referral team have received 558 referrals from GP surgeries throughout the district upto the end of December 2015. The referral criteria was changed slightly and is therefore reflected in these figures. Monthly referrals continue to increase.</p>
Oct 15/16	<p>The health referral team have received 372 referrals from GP surgeries throughout the district upto the end of September. The referral criteria was changed slightly and is therefore reflected in these figures. Monthly referrals continue to increase.</p>

**HSCGC – Past Performance Queries for Target H 03 – Deliver a health intervention programme which provides 900 adults per year with a personal exercise plan via the exercise referral scheme.**

Q3 2017/18

Extract from Minutes 27<sup>th</sup> February 2018 when Q3 was presented:

“...This target was reported as being on track.

The Council was commissioned to deliver a health intervention programme by Derbyshire County Public Health. The scheme covered two programmes, the Derbyshire Integrated Wellbeing Approach and the Bolsover Wellness Plus. A combined figure of 1000 referrals had been set from these two programmes.

To the end of December 2017, 700 clients at a number of different locations had been seen, including Go Active @ The Arc, Shirebrook Leisure Centre and Welbeck Road Doctors Surgery.

In response to a Member’s query, the Improvement Officer advised the meeting that he would identify with officers if there were any similar schemes being carried out in the south of the District.

In response to a further query raised by a Member, the Improvement Officer advised the meeting that he would speak to officers to identify if there was any evidence that more people had required referral but there had been no capacity to accommodate them. ....”

Additional follow-up query from Committee meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> February 2018

Query Raised	Service Response
Which areas are the referrals coming from?	<p>All the GP surgeries within Clowne, Creswell, Whitwell, Shirebrook, Bolsover.</p> <p>Plus referrals received from Chesterfield Royal and Kingsmill hospital (including Cardiac Rehabilitation clients).</p> <p>In the past we have operated a referral programme from Frederick Gent school, although this had limited access for clients due to safeguarding issues. We have found it difficult to re-establish a link with the school since the district council ceased</p>

Query Raised	Service Response
	operating the facilities for community use. Another venue that has stopped delivering a referral programme is Tibshelf Sport 4 All. We have emailed Parish clerks from the South of the district to arrange a meeting to discuss the delivery options/locations in the South of the District.
Have referrals been turned away due to capacity?	No referrals will/or have been turned away due to the referral pathway, Clients are progressing into mainstream memberships.

Q4 2017/18

Additional follow-up query from Committee meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> May 2018:

Query Raised	Service Response
<p>While Members acknowledged that the target had now been reduced to mirror the reduction in funding, Members enquired how the original target was set.</p> <p>There has been an agreed 25% reduction in referrals however we exceed the original 900 target. (905)</p>	<p>The funding for the referral programme was set at a monetary value per referral throughout the County, to make the scheme equitable and to set realistic targets for each district/borough. The target numbers were then set dependent on the breakdown of funding from Public Health to each district/borough, so any review in funding will have an obvious knock on effect to targeted numbers.</p> <p>Wayne Carter - Leisure Operations Manager</p>

Q3 2018/19

Extract from Minutes 1<sup>st</sup> March 2019 when Q3 was presented:

*“ ..... A Member queried why the target for H03 - Deliver a health intervention programme which provides 900 adults per year with a personal exercise plan via the exercise referral scheme had been reduced. The Improvement Officer advised the meeting that this was because Derbyshire County Council had reduced the funding half way through the programme being delivered. ....”*

## **Target H 09 – Additional response from Head of Streetscene for Q4 2018/19**

This target is derived from the revised Waste Framework Directive (rFWD) requiring the UK to achieved 50% recycling by 2020 and homologated within the current UK Waste Strategy. However, the UK in 2018\19 only achieved 45.6% performance against the 50% EU rFWD target.

The Council's recycling performance is achieved from two particular areas; firstly, mixed dry recycling (MDR) is achieved from burgundy bin collections which has remained relatively static over the past several years contributing 21% performance; and, secondly organic (garden\food) waste from green bins which fluctuates dependent upon seasonal conditions, contributing between 21% to 23%; however, over the past 2 years this has reduced due an extended cold spring spell in 2018 and then followed by and extended hot period throughout summer and reducing our combined recycling performance to 41% (approx.) which would normally be around 43%.

Whilst MDR performance has remained relatively static over the past several years, we anticipated the next stepped improved performance would be influence by food (cooked) waste inclusion in green bin collections from 2014; hence, out 50% target. However, due to resident not being able to use corn-starch bags to contain waste inside green bins with garden waste, we have had a low take-up\participation which has affected our performance.

Residents are now able to use 'corn starch' bags for presentation of food waste in green bin collections; however, DCC have asked this is not directly promote it at this time due to concerns of treatment impact at the In-vessel Composting Facility (IVC) at which the waste is treated in Arkwright.

DCC have invited us to participate in a 'corn-starch' bag trial to stimulate increased food waste diversion from black to green bins, similar to a trial undertaken in the High Peak area. The trial would be funded by DCC and includes FOC issue of 'corn-starch' bags throughout the trial period but not beyond. Discussion with Members considered participation advantageous; however, concern were shared as to raising expectations that bags would be issued on an FOC basis and in particular any expectation of them being free beyond the trial period.

In respect of MDR (burgundy bin) collections, there are various factors which affect performance; for instance, certain packaging is becoming lighter (i.e. thinner gauge glass bottle) and the economy affecting residents disposable income. Wider factors such as international markets (i.e. China, Vietnam, Malaysia) are also having an impact of material exports and\or their value, which ultimately affect the net cost of our collections.

Arising from these types of issue, the Governments (Defra) is currently consultation on the new UK Waste & Resource Strategy have been submitted; the strategy of which has two overarching objectives to (a) Maximise the Value of Resource Use and (b) Minimise Waste and its Impact on the Environment ([Strategy Link](#)).

I have recently responded (10<sup>th</sup> May 2019) to four consultations, as follows:

1. Household & Commercial waste collection consistency proposals; within which include all households receiving free garden waste collections and separate weekly food waste collections.
2. Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) proposals arising from which packaging producers/retailer would pay levies to meet its collection, reprocessing and/or treatment.
3. Deposit and Return Scheme (DRS) proposals arising from which refundable deposits on certain packaging (i.e. bottles/can) would be available to consumers from retailers.
4. Plastic Packaging Tax (PPT) extend plastic tax on carrier bags to other plastic type packaging.

This new strategy has been substantively influenced by the European Circular Economy Package as set out at [http://ec.europa.eu/environment/circular-economy/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/environment/circular-economy/index_en.htm) which includes directives on packaging (plastics) organic (food) waste, electrical goods and details around Extend Producer Responsibility to:

- (a) Provide incentives through regulatory/economic instruments if necessary and stimulate markets/infrastructure.
- (b) Prevent waste from occurring in the first place and manage it more effectively when it does.
- (c) Ensure those who place products on the market which become waste, to take greater responsibility for the costs of collection/disposal/treatment 'the polluter pays principle'.
- (d) Not allow our ambition to be undermined by criminality.

Consultations closed 12th May 2019; further to which, it is anticipated further consultations will be undertaken ending 2019 on any new or amended statutory instruments to empower new/changed duties on Councils in regard of waste collection and a detailed piece of work will be undertaken to re-model the Council's waste collection service to meet any new and/or amended duties, once greater clarity on these is understood.

I trust this assists and happy to come along to Scrutiny to answer any questions.

## Extract from PERFORM System

### Corporate Plan Target H 09 – Achieve a combined recycling and composting rate of 47% by March 2020

<b>Aim</b>	
Supporting Our Communities to be Healthier, Safer, Cleaner and Greener	
<b>Priority</b>	
Increasing recycling	
<b>Target</b>	
Achieve a combined recycling and composting rate of 47% by March 2020.	
<b>Planned activities to deliver target</b>	
3 wheeled bin alternate week waste collection service	
Targeted education and awareness raising (door stepping)	
Waste minimisation, diversion, recycling and composting promotion by way of internal and external media sources.	
<b>Owner</b>	<b>Lead Officer(s)</b>
Steve Brunt - Joint Head of Service - Streetscene	Steve Jowett - Waste Services Manager

### Baseline Data (History)

<b>Output Data 2014/15</b>	<b>Comments 2014/15</b>
41.5%	Slight performance increase arising from food waste introduction
<b>Output Data 2013/14</b>	<b>Comments 2013/14</b>
41%	Performance remained static over this period
<b>Output Data 2012/13</b>	<b>Comments 2012/13</b>
41%	Performance continued to increase further to introducing burgundy bin collections.
<b>Output Data 2011/12</b>	<b>Comments 2011/12</b>
37%	Introduction of burgundy bin recycling service saw a 10% increase to the combined recycling level.



### Monitoring Context

Waste recycling and composting performance is monitored by way the online Defra Waste Data Flow system (WDF).

Due to WDF having need to qualify data inputs and outputs with other bodies waste data (i.e. Waste Disposal Authority DCC) and timelines receiving data inputs from disposal sites and/or recyclable material handlers, qualified WDF performance is received 4 months (approx.) after Council's quarter end periods. Therefore, ending current quarters are estimated on prior year like quarter periods and amended at ending the next current quarter when WDF inputs are qualified.

### Expected Outcomes

Achieving waste recycling, composting and diversion performance aims to meet the Council's commitment in meeting EU Waste Framework Directive Targets and support the Derbyshire and Derby City Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy in achieving a combined Derbyshire performance of 55% waste recycling.

### Background Material

Bolsover District Council's 'Waste Action Plan' is supporting the Derbyshire and Derby City Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy to achieve 55% combined recycling performance.

Joint Waste Recycling and Collection Policy

### Challenges: Financial

Continued promotions of recycling\composting scheme required by way of internal\external media communications and door stepping activities to increase recycling and composting.

Promotion of food waste composting via green bin collections to promote next large stepped change in combined recycling rate.

Widen range of materials collected at the kerbside (burgundy bins) to increase diversion from residual waste stream, requiring variation to current contract and/or re-tender during next 2 years (approx.).

Funding streams from WDA (Waste Disposal Authority) may disappear to facilitate door step recycling\composting promotion over and above joint\shared resource employed by Bolsover and North East Derbyshire.

Changes in waste legislation and/or local government economic climate.

## Progress

Month	Comments
May 19/20	<p>** Updated Target for 2019/20** Target amended from 49% to 47%.</p>
Apr 19/20	<p>Q4 (2018\19) Estimated based on like performance at ending March 2018 due to Waste Data Flow information not being available until March 2019. It is estimated that 2,028 tonnes of recyclable\compostable waste will be collected between January to February 2019, yielding Q4 recycling rate of 27.2 % with an overall annual combined recycling rate of 40% (approx.) Recycling performance has been greatly affected by the late cold (spring period) and extended dry summer period affecting green (garden) waste collections.</p> <p>Q3 (2018\19) Actual 2,719 tonnes of recyclable\compostable waste was collected between October to December 2018 yielding a combined recycling rate of 36.9%.</p> <p>Corporate plan actuals: 2015/16 - 42.3% 2016/17 – 41.2% 2017/18 – 40.2% 2018/19 – 38.8% Estimate This target has been revised to 47% for 2019/20.</p> <p>Q3 (2018\19) Actual 2,719 tonnes of recyclable\compostable waste was collected between October to December 2018 yielding a combined recycling rate of 36.9%.</p> <p>Q2 (2018\19) Actual 3,582 tonnes of recyclable\compostable waste was collected between April to June 2018 yielding a combined recycling rate of 43.4%.</p> <p>Q1 (2018\19) Actual 4,668 tonnes of recyclable\compostable waste was collected between April to June 2018 yielding a combined recycling rate of 47.7%.</p> <p>Target lead not expecting this target to be achieved by March 2019.</p> <p>Given the extended winter period in to spring of 2018 and extended hot period throughout May\June\August, achieving this target will be challenging given reduced green waste collected. Plans to achieve 49% by 2019 had been supported by the integration of cooked food waste collection in green bins; however, delays in commissioning the Arkwright treatment facility and low take-up in food waste diversion has hampered performance. However, the Council is now able to advise customers in the use of compostable bags for depositing food waste (paper and corn-starch) which is believed will stimulate greater diversion. In refreshing the new (post 2020) Corporate Plan, targets will be reviewed in line with anticipated increased recycling targets as set out in the Circular Economy of 65% by 2030.</p> <p>Q1 (2018\19) Actual 4,668 tonnes of recyclable\compostable waste was collected between April to June 2018 yielding a combined recycling rate of 47.7%.</p> <p>Q4 - 2,028tonnes of recyclable\compostable waste was collected between January to March 2018 yielding a combined recycling rate of 27.2%, totalling 13,9327tonnes over Q1, Q2, Q3 &amp; Q4 periods yielding a combined recycling rate of 40.2%. Overall, 600tonnes (approx.) les recyclable\compostable waste was collected during the 2017\18 period, which a substantive influence was the extended cold\winter period throughout March\April 2018.</p>

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	<p>Q3 (2017\18) 2,902tonnes of recyclable\compostable waste was collected between September and December 2017 yielding a combined recycling rate of 39%.</p> <p>Q2 (2017\18) 4,127tonnes of recyclable\compostable waste was collected between July to September 2017 yielding a combined recycling rate of 46.2%.</p> <p>Q1 (2017\18) 4,335tonnes of recyclable\compostable waste was collected between April to June 2017 yielding a combined recycling rate of 46.9%.</p> <p>Q4 - 2,378tonnes of recyclable\compostable waste was collected between January to March 2017 yielding a combined recycling rate of 31%, totalling 13,904tonnes over Q1, Q2, Q3 &amp;Q4 periods yielding a combined recycling rate of 41.2%.</p>
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<p>Feb 17/18</p>	<p>*****2015/16 figure for recycling is 42.3%*****</p> <p>Q3 (2017\18) It is estimated 2,677tonnes of recyclable\compostable waste will be collected between September to December 2017 yielding a combined recycling rate of 38%. This is estimated on like 2016 Q3 data, due to actual date not being available via Waste Date Flow until ending March 2018.</p> <p>Q2 (2017\18) 4,127tonnes of recyclable\compostable waste was collected between July to September 2017 yielding a combined recycling rate of 46.2%.</p> <p>Q1 (2017\18) 4,335tonnes of recyclable\compostable waste was collected between April to June 2017 yielding a combined recycling rate of 46.9%.</p> <p>Q4 - 2,378tonnes of recyclable\compostable waste was collected between January to March 2017 yielding a combined recycling rate of 31%, totalling 13,904tonnes over Q1, Q2, Q3 &amp;Q4 periods yielding a combined recycling rate of 41.2%.</p>
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Jul 17/18	<p>Q1 (2017\18) is estimated based on 2016/17 Q1 data (4,415tonnes) due to Waste Data Flow information not being available. It is estimated the combined recycling rate will be 47% (approx.). The information will be updated when qualified WDF data is available at ending September 2017.</p> <p>Q4 - 2,378tonnes of recyclable\compostable waste was collected between January to March 2017 yielding a combined recycling rate of 31%, totalling 13,904tonnes over Q1, Q2, Q3 &amp;Q4 periods yielding a combined recycling rate of 41.2%.</p>
May 17/18	<p>Q4 It is estimated 2,330 tonnes of recyclable\compostable waste will be collected between January to March 2017 yielding a combined recycling rate of 30.7% between April to December 2016 (estimated based on 2016 data). Totalling tonnes over Q1, Q2, Q3 &amp;Q4 periods yields an estimated combined recycling rate of 43.25%.The information will be updated when qualified WDF data is available at ending June 17.</p>
Apr 17/18	<p>Q4 (2016\17) It is estimated 2,330 tonnes of recyclable\compostable waste will be collected between January to March 2017 yielding a combined recycling rate of 30.7% between April to December 2016 (estimated based on 2016 data). Totalling tonnes over Q1, Q2, Q3 &amp;Q4 periods yields an estimated combined recycling rate of 43.25%.The information will be updated when qualified WDF data is available at ending June 2017.</p> <p>Q3 (2016\17) earlier estimate is now updated with 2,667tonnes of recyclable\compostable waste reported via Waste Data Flow (WDF) between October\December 2016, totalling tonnes over Q1,Q2 &amp; Q3 periods, yielding a combined recycling rate of 44.9%.</p>
Jan 16/17	<p>Q3 (2016\17) It is estimated 2,676tonnes of recyclable\compostable waste will be collected between October to December 2016 yielding a combined recycling rate of 45.6% between April to December 2016 (estimated based on 2015 data). The information will be updated when qualified WDF data is available at ending March 2017.</p> <p>Q2 (2016\17) earlier estimate is now updated with 4,448tonnes of recyclable\compostable waste reported via Waste Data Flow (WDF) between July\September 2016, totalling 8,863tonnes over Q1 and Q2 periods, yielding a combined recycling rate of 48.1%.</p>
Oct 16/17	<p>Q2 (2016\17) 4,113tonnes of recyclable\compostable waste reported via Waste Data Flow, yielding a combined recycling rate of 48.1% between July and September 2016 (estimated based on 2015 data). Waste Data Flow actual tonnage will be available in December.</p>
Jul 16/17	<p>Q1 (2016\17) 4,428tonnes of recyclable\compostable waste reported via Waste Data Flow, yielding a combined recycling rate of 49.3% between April and June 2016 estimated based on 2015 Waste Data Flow actual tonnage will be available in July.</p>

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**HSCGC – Past Performance Queries for Target H 09: Achieve a combined recycling and composting rate of 49% by March 2019.**

**Q3 2017/18**

Query Raised	Service Response
Is the estimated rate of 38% (a significant reduction on Q2) due to the cessation of green waste collection during Q3? To what extent do you expect this will improve for the final year-end figure?	The current combined recycling rate at ending Q2 was 46.2% (as per Waste Data Flow table below); however the Q3 update estimated that performance within that period would be 38% due to reduced garden waste tonnages within the winter (green bin suspension) yielding a combined Q1 to Q3 average performance of 40%; however, green bin collections re-commence from 6th February 2018 and garden waste inputs will resume, resulting in anticipated performance of 42% (approx..).

**Additional follow-up query from Committee meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> February 2018**

Query Raised	Service Response
Is litter collected in street bins etc separated and recycled?	<p>Waste from street litter bins is not segregated at the front end of the collection process; that is, we do not have litter bins with separate compartments for general waste and recyclable items (i.e. bottles\cans).</p> <p>We trialled compartmentalised litters bin on the NED side and found them to be problematic in terms of cross contamination with general waste being placed in the recycling side and requiring sorting by street cleansing staff with increased demand on their time.</p> <p>The recyclables also had need to be segregated on the street cleansing vehicles which are used for transporting other wastes (i.e. general litter bin waste\fly tipping). Some larger authorities (i.e. cities) where segregated bins are more common place have dedicated resource\teams which empty these; also, they are on a much higher emptying frequency (i.e. daily) due to the higher usage in city centres (our bins are emptied on average weekly).</p> <p>We found that the operational difficulties far outweighed any potential benefit we would have gained through contribution to our combined recycling rate (i.e. H09 below) and have concentrated on increasing performance via burgundy and green bin collections. DCC are currently leading in a project to increase organic (garden\food) waste diversion from black bins due to this being where</p>

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	<p>the volumes remain in our residual waste stream, as identified by way of the 2016\17 waste composition analysis survey undertaken county wide by DCC.</p> <p>The waste is currently delivered to waste transfer stations (WTS) in Alfreton and Chesterfield; further to which, it is transferred to a disposal facility at which materials with recyclable value are removed. However, towards the end of 2018, Derbyshire will have its own waste treatment facility at Sinfin Lane, Derby, at which all Derbyshire’s waste will be treated. The facility is a Mechanical Biological Treatment (MBT) plant and will include a Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) which will sort recyclables from other general waste.</p> <p>The following link provides an overview of the facility <a href="https://www.rrsderbyshire.net/wtc">https://www.rrsderbyshire.net/wtc</a> and if you click on link (three processes) in the first paragraph, it explains the processes of how waste will be dealt with (i.e. removing recyclable items).</p> <p>Given the practicalities\difficulties in segregating recyclable wastes at the front end of the collection system (i.e. litter bins) and the contribution\impact this would have on our combined recycling rate (cost v benefit) we did not develop segregated litter bins and took the view that recyclable materials will be removed from the back end of the collection system as illustrated by the Sinfin facility web-links above.</p>

**Q4 2017/18**

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<p>What promotional activity is planned during 2018/19 to encourage further recycling to achieve the last 7% of the 49% target?</p> <p>Can we realistically bridge this gap over the coming 12mths?</p>	<p>At Bolsover Q4 Performance meeting last week (19<sup>th</sup> April) I informed that it was unlikely we would achieve 50% combined recycling performance by 2019; in particular, as performance had plateaued at 42% to 43%, albeit we continue to undertake door-stepping promotional work, publicity campaigns and schools education program.</p> <p>We did anticipate performance increasing following introduction of food waste in garden waste (green bin) collections in 2014; however, a barrier to households presenting food waste for collection in green bins is considered to be the lack in use of ‘corn starch bags’. We are currently</p>

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	<p>awaiting the outcome of trials DCC are undertaking with High Peach B. C. and optimistic these may be used in future.</p> <p>Our Corporate Plan and Service Plan targets support the wider Derbyshire Municipal Waste Management Strategy which aimed to achieve a Derbyshire wide combined recycling target of 55%. A substantive influence in achieving this is the delivery of the new Derby Sinfin Waste Treatment Facility which we anticipate will be commissioned later this year. This will remove and/or treat the Council's residual (black bin) waste stream.</p> <p>However, given delays in its construction, it is not clear whether a 55% out-turn will be achieved by 2019? Also, it is unclear at this stage as to whether the UK will retain the EU Revised Waste Framework Directive recycling targets (i.e. 50% by 2020, post BREXIT?)</p> <p>Should Scrutiny require, I am happy to attend a future meeting to discuss?</p>

Additional follow-up query from Committee meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> May 2018:

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<p>When is the Sinfin waste disposal site likely to go live?</p>	<p>I understand it should be late summer\autumn time; however, the date does keep drifting back due to technical issue they have had in the build program.</p> <p>The following link provides an overview of the Sinfin facility <a href="https://www.rrsderbyshire.net/wtc">https://www.rrsderbyshire.net/wtc</a> and if you click on link (three processes) in the first paragraph, it explains the processes of how waste will be dealt with (i.e. removing recyclable items).</p> <p>Steve Brunt - Joint Head of Streetscene</p>

**Q1 2018/19**

Query Raised	Service Response
<p>Members note that the status is to be reviewed – what does this mean? Is the target unachievable? Does the target relate solely to household waste or is it a combination of household and trade? Members are aware of a number of issues with collection of side recycling waste i.e. cardboard, with contractors refusing to take the waste despite the leaflet stating it will be collected.</p>	<p>We only have an estimate for Q1 so we have left this on track however we need to assess at Q2 whether this target is on track to achieve the target by March 2019 or whether it needs to be put on 'alert'.</p> <p>It is unlikely we will achieve a 50% combined recycling target by 2020 as recycling appears to have plateaued at 42% to 43%. We are participating in a piece of work being lead on by DCC which is exploring how greater levels of organic (i.e. food waste) may be diverted from residual (black bin) to organic (green bin) waste streams. This will form a wider piece of work to inform future Corporate Plan targets\priorities.</p> <p>The EU Circular Economy which the UK is likely to adopt will set future recycling targets at 65% by 2030. It will also make separate food waste collection a requirement by 2023. Details of this are at <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/environment/circular-economy/index_en.htm">http://ec.europa.eu/environment/circular-economy/index_en.htm</a></p>

Extract from Minutes 7<sup>th</sup> September 2018 when Q1 was presented:

*“..... In relation to Corporate Plan Target H09, the Strategic Director – Place noted that the target was a European legislation target and post Brexit, would need to be reviewed along with Members input as part of the Corporate Plan refresh.*


*A Member felt that an action plan with milestones should be in place for each quarter for Corporate Plan Target H09 so Members could see what was being done to help deliver the target throughout the year. With regard to Corporate Plan Targets H10 and H11, the Member queried what was being done in relation to the 2% that was not meeting the standard and where the areas in the District were that the 2% referred to.*

*The Portfolio Holder for Streetscene agreed with the Member and stated that these consistently failing areas needed targeting - he suggested that the Streetscene & Waste Services Manager be invited to a future meeting to explain to Members how this affected the Committee’s Review.*

*A Member advised the meeting that she was concerned with regard to the numerous complaints being received from residents that cardboard left as side waste next to burgundy bins was not being collected by the new contractor and that this could affect the Council’s recycling targets. The Portfolio Holder for Streetscene noted that Members had been previously assured that side waste would be collected by the new contractor and he would raise Members concerns with the Head of Streetscene. ....”*

**Q2 2018/19**

Query Raised	Service Response
<p>Members are not aware of any publicity over the use of the approved paper/corn starch bags for food waste recycling – is any planned?</p> <p>Is it possible to extend the green bin collection for a longer period, to further extend food recycling?</p> <p>How do you intend to realign the target for the new Plan?</p>	<p>DCC have given us the green light in allowing use of ‘corn-starch’ type bags in food waste (green bin) collections further to undertaking trials in the High Peak area. However, given their In-Vessel-Composting (IVC) operator concerns, they did not want a massive stepped introduction; rather, a graduated one! (They need to get the process right on site for producing the right quality of compost). Therefore, they asked that we do not undertake a directly promotion of this; instead, do this subtly by way of advising customers who contact our Call Centres enquiring about food-waste caddy liners (Call Centre Scripts changed) and by way of our Community Recycling Promoters when undertaking educational (door-stepping) visits to resident households. We have also removed the reference from this year’s calendars to being only able to use paper bag/liner meeting EN13432. Calendars now advise the use of compostable bags meeting EN13432, as set out below and will undertake more direct promotion when DCC give us a green light.</p>

Query Raised	Service Response
<p>Members also query if this target was set too high in the first instance?</p> <p>Where is the local MRF which receives BDC waste?</p> <p>Are we currently being subject to any financial penalties for contamination in the red/green bins?</p> <p>In relation to the attempt at trend comparison in the commentary, Members find the narrative confusing. The officer mentions comparison with of Q2 17/18 but no figure is given (in addition to no estimated figure for Q2 18/19). It is clear the Q1 18/19 actual was received after the original comment was submitted, but to keep the original reference to the estimate for Q1 as well makes the narrative confusing. They suggest it may have been better to compare Q1 17/18 and Q1 18/19 to look at the trend as there is 'actual' data for both of these.</p>	 <p><b>What can I put in my green bin?</b></p> <p><b>Yes please:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Grass cuttings, flowers and weeds</li> <li>✓ Leaves, hedge and plant clippings, prunings</li> <li>✓ Left over fruit, salad, vegetable waste, egg shells</li> <li>✓ Cooked food leftovers - bread, pastries, pasta, meat fish (raw and cooked - including bones) plate scrapings, tea bags and coffee grounds</li> </ul> <p><i>Food can be placed in biodegradable food bags manufactured to the British Standard EN13432 only. (No retail carrier bags)</i></p> <p><i>During green bin suspension weeks, please place food waste in your black bin.</i></p> <p><b>No thanks:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✗ Cardboard boxes and card packaging - these go in your burgundy bin (see overleaf)</li> <li>✗ Wallpaper and wrapping paper</li> <li>✗ Waxed packaging - such as juice cartons. These go in your burgundy bin</li> <li>✗ Stone, rubble, soil or turf</li> <li>✗ Dog and cat waste</li> <li>✗ Disposable nappies</li> <li>✗ Plastic (see list) these go in your burgundy bin</li> <li>✗ All TYPES of bin liners, carrier bags, packaging, foil or polystyrene</li> <li>✗ Bottles, cans &amp; papers - these go in your burgundy bin</li> <li>✗ Timber or plywood</li> <li>✗ Ashes</li> </ul> <p><i>Please do not contaminate your green bin with unsuitable waste as we will be unable to collect it.</i></p> <p><i>Further advice and guidance is also available via our website: <a href="http://www.bolsover.gov.uk">www.bolsover.gov.uk</a></i></p> <p><b>ENQUIRIES &amp; QUERIES PLEASE CALL</b> <b>01246 242424</b></p> <p>We are currently involved in a Derbyshire wide piece of work looking at how to increase organic (food\garden) waste diversion from residual (black bin) to organic (green bin) waste stream; in particular, that if the UK adopts the EU Circular Economy to make separate food waste collections mandatory by 2023, we will have to consider either separate collection arrangements (i.e. increased staff\vehicles) or continue co-mingling garden and food-waste in green bins collected 12 months per year. However, at this time 92% of organic waste is collected between March\November each year and it is not effective use of resource to collect the remaining 8% by way of expending 25% of waste collection resource.</p>

Query Raised	Service Response
	<p>The targets were set in line with the Revised Waste Framework Directive (rWFD) and we relied on the Arkwright In-Vessel-Composting (IVC) driving food waste diversion when it opened. However, delays in its opening (Planning Appeal) and inability to use corn-starch bags, stifled anticipated organic\food-waste diversion and targets being met. The Circular economy (if adopted by the UK) will require 65% municipal waste recycling by 2030 and the Derbyshire wide piece of work being undertake will consider how this may be achieved. It is anticipated proposals will be developed from mid-2019 and inform the new Corporate Plan.</p> <p>The local MRF is at Alfreton (HG Martins facility at Coates Park).</p> <p>The new burgundy bin contract was reviewed at time of tender to address contamination costs under the former contract and we have arrangements in place (education\recycling promoters) to manage this. With regard to green bins, we have very clean\good quality inputs to the Arkwright IVC and this is achieved by our in-house collection staff who assist in monitoring contamination at the kerbside.</p> <p><b>Performance data:</b></p> <p>Due to the time lags in receiving qualified figures, an estimate is provided each quarter based on the actual figure for the same period the previous financial year. In addition the actual figure for the previous quarter is also provided at the bottom of the commentary to ensure that Members receive this information.</p> <p>Taking on board the comments made, we could simplify the presentation of this data as follows:</p> <p><b>Q2 – 46.2% Estimate based on Q2 2017/18 Actual outturn.</b></p> <p><b><u>Trend data – Q1 Actuals</u></b></p> <p><b>2018/19 47.7% 4668 tonnes</b>  <b>2017/18 46.9% 4335 tonnes</b></p>

Extract from Minutes 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2018 when Q2 was presented:

*“.....A Member raised concerns with regard to the information relating to the Circular Economy, (if adopted by the UK), which would require 65% municipal waste recycling by 2030 and suggested that milestones should be set against the target so Members could see what would happen to achieve the target.*

*A Member queried if there was anything written into the Council’s tenancy agreements on how waste is sorted out into bins. The Chair suggested that this be raised with the Head of Housing.*

*The Portfolio Holder for Streetscene advised the meeting that this year, the Green Bin waste collection service had been extended from November until 4<sup>th</sup> December 2018 and this had been advertised in the Council’s In Touch newspaper which was delivered to every household in the District.*

*A Member noted that biodegradable bin liners did not seem to appear in supermarkets and were not readily accessible.*

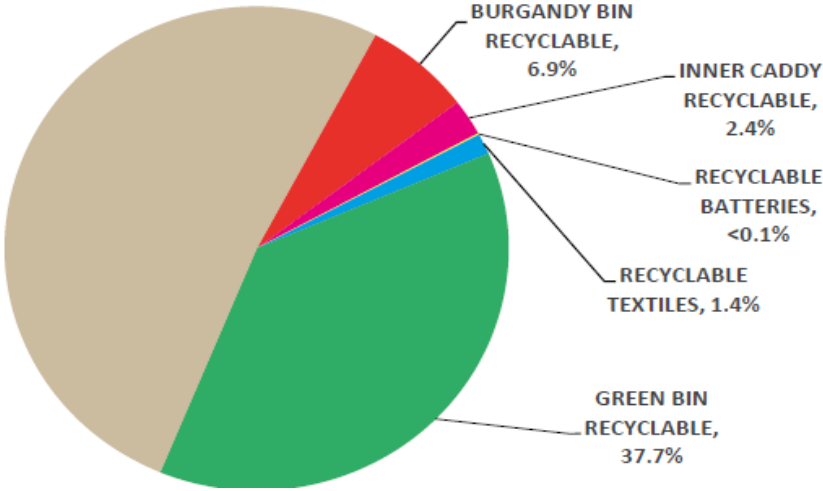
*A discussion took place regarding the availability of corn starch bags to residents. It was confirmed that these were readily available in local supermarkets including Wilkos. A Member felt that a corporate response was needed from the retail industry and the Council could negotiate with the large suppliers regarding corn starch bags. ....”*

**Q3 2018/19**

Query Raised	Service Response
<p>We are aware from previous information received of the issues with this target. We acknowledge the issues with the In-Vessel facility and hope to see an increase in the tonnage composted in due course.</p> <p>In relation to the trend data, do Officers have any further information to explain the downward trend in figures?</p> <p>Are there specific local issues causing an impact?</p>	<p>The predominant influence affecting the combined recycling rate is seasonal variation which either increase or reduces green bin (garden) waste levels. To illustrate this, garden (green bin) and dry recycling (burgundy bin) performance as reported quarterly (statutorily) to Defra is summarised below and the full annual (Q1 – 4) performance appended at the bottom.</p> <p>2018/19 43.4% (<u>Green Bin = 22.76% and Burgundy Bin = 20.63%</u>)            2017/18 46.2% (<u>Green Bin = 18.22% and Burgundy Bin = 27.97%</u>)            2016/17 49.5% (<u>Green Bin = 29.51% and Burgundy Bin = 19.86%</u>)</p>



Query Raised	Service Response
<p>Is this mirrored nationally and likely influenced by changes to packaging/sanctions on businesses?</p>	<p>Burgundy bin performance across the 3 year periods remains relatively constant with average variations of 1% (approx.); however, you will note how green bin performance varies significantly; which, in regard to Q2-2018\19, is greatly affected by the extended cold\winter period (Beast from the East) in the early part of 2018 and the extended hot summer period all of which affected green (garden) waste levels (see tables below).</p> <p>A waste (black bin) composition analysis undertaken by DCC in 2017\18, identified that 38% of residual (black bin) is food waste and based on 20,000tonnes (approx.) is equivalent to 7,500tonnes which can be composted and could increase the Council combined recycling rate by 22% to 25%.</p> <p>Therefore encouraging greater food waste diversion to green bins is the area which present greatest stepped change potential in landfill diversion and recycling\composting performance. The following diagram illustrates recyclable\compostable content remaining in black bins.</p> <p><b>Steve Brunt - Joint Head of Streetscene</b></p>

Query Raised	Service Response												
	<p data-bbox="860 272 1429 316"><b>Recyclability of the residual waste</b></p> <p data-bbox="860 349 1668 376">Overall 48.5% of residual waste is deemed directly recyclable at the kerbside.</p>  <table border="1" data-bbox="864 435 1684 927"> <thead> <tr> <th>Waste Stream</th> <th>Percentage</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Green Bin Recyclable</td> <td>37.7%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Burgundy Bin Recyclable</td> <td>6.9%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Inner Caddy Recyclable</td> <td>2.4%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Recyclable Textiles</td> <td>1.4%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Recyclable Batteries</td> <td>&lt;0.1%</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p data-bbox="831 962 2130 1107">Members will be aware of the Defra’s recently released UK Waste &amp; Resource Strategy in which they are proposing (subject to consultation) to introduce a new duty to collect food waste separately on a weekly basis and also make garden waste a free collection service to all households (removing the power to charge as some Councils do).</p> <p data-bbox="831 1142 2130 1211">Arising from the new Strategy and/or new changes statutory duties, this will influence how and/or when the Council collects its various waste streams.</p>	Waste Stream	Percentage	Green Bin Recyclable	37.7%	Burgundy Bin Recyclable	6.9%	Inner Caddy Recyclable	2.4%	Recyclable Textiles	1.4%	Recyclable Batteries	<0.1%
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<p data-bbox="107 1254 1070 1289"><u>2018/19 - 46.2% (Green Bin = 22.76% and Burgundy Bin = 20.63%)</u></p>													

Query Raised	Service Response					
<b><u>Percentage of household waste arisings which have been sent for recycling - (BVPI82a Comparator) (Provisional)</u></b>						
	<b>Q1</b>	<b>Q2</b>	<b>Q3</b>	<b>Q4</b>	<b>Total For</b>	
	<b>2018/19</b>	<b>2018/19</b>	<b>2018/19</b>	<b>2018/19</b>	<b>2018/19</b>	
<b>Household dry recycling</b>	1,770.08	1,702.09	-	-	3,472.18	tonnes
<b>Total HH Waste Collected</b>	9,790.18	8,251.01	-	-	18,041.19	tonnes
<b>Dry recycling rate</b>	<b>18.08%</b>	<b>20.63%</b>	-	-	<b>19.25%</b>	per cent
						<i>From Detail Tab CVAR</i>
<b><u>Percentage of household waste sent for composting or anaerobic digestion - (BVPI82b Comparator) (Provisional)</u></b>						
	<b>Q1</b>	<b>Q2</b>	<b>Q3</b>	<b>Q4</b>	<b>Total For</b>	
	<b>2018/19</b>	<b>2018/19</b>	<b>2018/19</b>	<b>2018/19</b>	<b>2018/19</b>	
<b>Household Composting</b>	2,895.98	1,877.95	-	-	4,773.94	tonnes
<b>Total HH Waste Collected</b>	9,790.18	8,251.01	-	-	18,041.19	tonnes
<b>Composting rate</b>	<b>29.58%</b>	<b>22.76%</b>	-	-	<b>26.46%</b>	per cent
						<i>From Detail Tab CVAR</i>

2017/18 46.2% (Green Bin = 27.97% and Burgundy Bin = 18.22%)

**Percentage of household waste arisings which have been sent for recycling - (BVPI82a Comparator) (Provisional)**

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total For	
	2017/18	2017/18	2017/18	2017/18	2017/18	
Household dry recycling	1,633.47	1,626.86	1,767.56	1,666.16	6,694.05	tonnes
Total HH Waste Collected	9,156.59	8,930.21	7,486.47	7,457.40	33,030.67	tonnes
Dry recycling rate	17.84%	18.22%	23.61%	22.34%	20.27%	per cent

*From Detail Tab  
CVAR*

**Percentage of household waste sent for composting or anaerobic digestion - (BVPI82b Comparator) (Provisional)**

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total For	
	2017/18	2017/18	2017/18	2017/18	2017/18	
Household Composting	2,633.19	2,497.79	1,132.28	359.37	6,622.63	tonnes
Total HH Waste Collected	9,156.59	8,930.21	7,486.47	7,457.40	33,030.67	tonnes
Composting rate	28.76%	27.97%	15.12%	4.82%	20.05%	per cent

*From Detail Tab  
CVAR*

2016/17 49.5% (Green Bin = 29.51% and Burgundy Bin = 19.86%)

**Percentage of household waste arisings which have been sent for recycling - (BVPI82a Comparator) (Provisional)**

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total For	
	2016/17	2016/17	2016/17	2016/17	2016/17	
Household dry recycling	1,776.80	1,785.91	1,633.82	1,743.78	6,940.31	tonnes
Total HH Waste Collected	9,362.40	8,991.13	7,023.70	7,670.63	33,047.86	tonnes
Dry recycling rate	18.98%	19.86%	23.26%	22.73%	21.00%	per cent

*From Detail Tab  
CVAR*

**Percentage of household waste sent for composting or anaerobic digestion - (BVPI82b Comparator) (Provisional)**

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total For	
	2016/17	2016/17	2016/17	2016/17	2016/17	
Household Composting	2,630.20	2,653.60	1,017.91	622.86	6,924.57	tonnes
Total HH Waste Collected	9,362.40	8,991.13	7,023.70	7,670.63	33,047.86	tonnes
Composting rate	28.09%	29.51%	14.49%	8.12%	20.95%	per cent

*From Detail Tab  
CVAR*

**Bolsover District Council**

**Healthy, Safe, Clean & Green Communities Scrutiny Committee**

**21<sup>st</sup> June 2019**

**Agreement of Scrutiny Committee Work Programme 2019/20**

**Report of the Scrutiny & Elections Officer**

This report is public

**Purpose of the Report**

- To provide members of the Scrutiny Committee with an overview of the meeting programme of the Committee for 2019/20.

**1 Report Details**

- 1.1 The main purpose of the report is to inform members of the meeting programme for the year 2019/20 and planned agenda items (Appendix 1).
- 1.2 Attached at Appendix 2, is the list of topics discussed at the Scrutiny Conference 2019 for further consideration and selection by Committee.
- 1.3 This programme may be subject to change should additional reports/presentations be required, or if items need to be re-arranged for alternative dates.
- 1.4 Review Scopes will be submitted agreed within Informal Session in advance of the designated meeting for Member approval to ensure that there is sufficient time to gather the information required by Members and to enable forward planning of questions.
- 1.5 Members may raise queries about the programme at the meeting or at any time with the Scrutiny & Elections Officer should they have any queries regarding future meetings.

**2 Conclusions and Reasons for Recommendation**

- 2.1 This report sets the formal Committee Work Programme for 2019/20 and the issues identified for review.
- 2.2 The Scrutiny Programme enables challenge to service delivery both internally and externally across all the Corporate Plan Ambitions.
- 2.3 Part 3.6(2) of the Council's Constitution requires each Scrutiny Committee to set an annual work plan.

### **3 Consultation and Equality Impact**

- 3.1 All Scrutiny Committees are committed to equality and diversity in undertaking their statutory responsibilities and ensure equalities are considered as part of all Reviews. The selection criteria when submitting a topic, specifically asks members to identify where the topic suggested affects particular population groups or geographies.
- 3.2 The Council has a statutory duty under s.149 Equality Act 2010 to have due regard to the need to advance equality of opportunity and to eliminate discrimination.
- 3.3 As part of the scoping of Reviews, consideration is given to any consultation that could support the evidence gathering process.

### **4 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection**

- 4.1 There is no option to reject the report as Part 3.6(2) of the Council's Constitution requires each Scrutiny Committee to set an annual work plan.

### **5 Implications**

#### **5.1 Finance and Risk Implications**

- 5.1.1 None from this report.

#### **5.2 Legal Implications including Data Protection**

- 5.2.1 In carrying out scrutiny reviews the Council is exercising its scrutiny powers as laid out in s.21 of the Local Government Act 2000 and subsequent legislation which added/amended these powers e.g. the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007.

#### **5.3 Human Resources Implications**

- 5.3.1 None from this report.

### **6 Recommendations**

- 6.1 That Members note this report and the Programme attached at Appendix 1. All Members are advised to contact the Scrutiny & Elections Officer should they have any queries regarding future meetings.
- 6.2 That Members review the topics suggested for 2019/20 within Appendix 2 and select their priority topic(s) for 2019/20.

## 7 Decision Information

<p><b>Is the decision a Key Decision?</b>  A Key Decision is an executive decision which has a significant impact on two or more District wards or which results in income or expenditure to the Council above the following thresholds:</p> <p><i>BDC: Revenue - £75,000</i> <input type="checkbox"/>  <i>Capital - £150,000</i> <input type="checkbox"/>  <i>NEDDC: Revenue - £100,000</i> <input type="checkbox"/>  <i>Capital - £250,000</i> <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Please indicate which threshold applies</i></p>	No
<p><b>Is the decision subject to Call-In?</b>  (Only Key Decisions are subject to Call-In)</p>	No
<p><b>Has the relevant Portfolio Holder been informed</b></p>	N/A
<p><b>District Wards Affected</b></p>	N/A
<p><b>Links to Corporate Plan priorities or Policy Framework</b></p>	All

## 8 Document Information

Appendix No	Title
1.	Work Programme 2019/20
2.	Scrutiny Topic Suggestions for 2019/20 – Healthy, Safe, Clean and Green Communities
3.	Previous Scrutiny of Council's Approach to Homelessness
<p><b>Background Papers</b> (These are unpublished works which have been relied on to a material extent when preparing the report. They must be listed in the section below. If the report is going to Cabinet (NEDDC) or Executive (BDC) you must provide copies of the background papers)</p>	
<p>Previous versions of the Committee Work Programme.</p>	
<b>Report Author</b>	<b>Contact Number</b>
Joanne Wilson, Scrutiny & Elections Officer	2385



**Healthy, Safe, Clean and Green Communities Scrutiny Committee**

**Work Programme 2019/20**

**Vision: To enhance and improve the wealth profile, well-being and quality of life for the communities of Bolsover District**

**Corporate Aim: Supporting our Communities to be Healthier, Safer, Cleaner and Greener**

Performance Review	Policy Development	Policy/Strategy Programme Monitoring	Review Work	Call-In/Review of Executive Decisions	Petition

Date of Meeting	Items for Agenda		Lead Officer
21 <sup>st</sup> June 2019	Part A – Formal	• Corporate Plan Targets Performance Update – January to March 2019 (Q4 – 2018/19)	Information, Engagement and Performance Manager
		• Agreement of Work Programme 2019/20	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
	Part B – Informal	• Scoping of Review Work	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
2 <sup>nd</sup> August 2019	Part A – Formal	• Corporate Plan Targets Performance Update – April to June 2019 (Q1 – 2019/20)	Information, Engagement and Performance Manager
		• Work Programme 2019/20	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
	Part B – Informal	• Review Work	Scrutiny & Elections Officer

Date of Meeting	Items for Agenda		Lead Officer
13 <sup>th</sup> September 2019	Part A – Formal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Health and Wellbeing Strategy – Monitoring Update</li> </ul>	HR& OD Manager
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Post-Scrutiny Monitoring: Review of Authority’s Perception of Young People – Interim Report</li> </ul>	Chair/Scrutiny & Elections Officer
	Part B – Informal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work Programme 2019/20</li> </ul>	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review Work</li> </ul>	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
18 <sup>th</sup> October 2019	Part A – Formal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Post-Scrutiny Monitoring: Review of Enforcement action undertaken by Bolsover District Council to improve the quality of the environment across the District – Final Report</li> </ul>	Scrutiny & Elections Officer/ Environmental Health Manager
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work Programme 2019/20</li> </ul>	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
	Part B – Informal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review Work</li> </ul>	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
15 <sup>th</sup> November 2019	Part A – Formal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Corporate Plan Targets Performance Update – July to September 2019 (Q2 – 2019/20)</li> </ul>	Information, Engagement and Performance Manager
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work Programme 2019/20</li> </ul>	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
	Part B – Informal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review Work</li> </ul>	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Training Session – Analysis/Evidence Interpretation Skills</li> </ul>	Monitoring Officer/Legal Team
13 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	Part A – Formal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work Programme 2019/20</li> </ul>	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
	Part B – Informal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review Work</li> </ul>	Scrutiny & Elections Officer

Date of Meeting	Items for Agenda		Lead Officer
<b>7<sup>th</sup> February 2020</b>	<b>Part A – Formal</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Corporate Plan Targets Performance Update – October to December 2019 (Q3 – 2019/20)</li> </ul>	Information, Engagement and Performance Manager
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work Programme 2019/20</li> </ul>	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
	<b>Part B – Informal</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review Work</li> </ul>	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Preparation for Annual Review of the Community Safety Partnership.</li> </ul>	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
<b>6<sup>th</sup> March 2020</b>	<b>Part A – Formal</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Annual Review of Community Safety Partnership</li> </ul>	Joint Strategic Director – Place/ Housing Enforcement Manager/ Community Safety Officer
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Post-Scrutiny Monitoring: Review of Authority’s Perception of Young People – Final Report</li> </ul>	Chair/Scrutiny & Elections Officer
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work Programme 2019/20</li> </ul>	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
	<b>Part B – Informal</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review Work</li> </ul>	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
<b>1<sup>st</sup> May 2020</b>	<b>Part A – Formal</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Corporate Plan Targets Performance Update – January to March 2020 (Q4 – 2019/20)</li> </ul>	Information, Engagement and Performance Manager
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work Programme 2019/20</li> </ul>	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
	<b>Part B – Informal</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review Work</li> </ul>	Scrutiny & Elections Officer

**Scrutiny Topic Suggestions for 2019/20 – Healthy, Safe, Clean and Green Communities**

	<b>Review Topic</b>	<b>Source of Suggestion</b>	<b>Service Area</b>	<b>Score at Conference/Priority Ranking</b>	<b>Members Comment from Conference</b>	<b>Officer Comment</b>
1	Review of The Council's Approach to Open Water Safety	Officer	Health & Wellbeing/ Emergency Planning	9/9  High Priority	<p>Members were briefed on how activity is currently taking place at a national and local level to further enhance open water safety.</p> <p>Members acknowledged that this linked to a current national campaign and activity across other authorities in the region and felt that there was a clear need to ensure the Authority was compliant and the necessary policies and procedures were in place.</p>	<p><u>Officer Comment following Conference 2018</u></p> <p>This was raised during the EM Scrutiny Network meeting in March 2018. This is being taken forward by a number of Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire Authorities, with support at a national level from LGA. The work within Nottinghamshire is more advanced than Derbyshire at this stage, but this should hopefully provide a local example of how to progress with reviewing our own policies and procedures.</p> <p>Officers within the Health &amp; Safety team have also now had discussions at County level and there is a rising importance being</p>

	Review Topic	Source of Suggestion	Service Area	Score at Conference/Priority Ranking	Members Comment from Conference	Officer Comment
						<p>placed on how this is addressed at a local level. There have also been recent incidents at a local level which further highlight the need for a review.</p> <p>Scrutiny could support the review of current policies and procedures and how this is applied across all sites of open water within the District, within the Authorities control.</p> <p><b>Officer Comment following Conference 2019</b></p> <p><b>Awaiting Officer Comment</b></p>
2	Review of How to embed learning outcomes from the NG20 scheme across the District	Cabinet suggestion	Social Inclusion	9/9 High Priority	Members queried the possibility that scrutiny should have a monitoring role of the existing scheme, alongside supporting the development of any further roll-out of the scheme should additional	<p><u>Officer Comment following Conference 2018</u></p> <p>Scrutiny could add value to this programme of work by engaging with the current programme to learn how the scheme is</p>

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					<p>funding be secured. Members felt there was scope to assist in the identification of further areas for roll-out, including specific support required.</p> <p><u>Subsequent to Conference</u> Presentation to Members on 25<sup>th</sup> April at Council, further clarified achievements to date and possible areas for expansion. Best practice from the scheme is already being shared on a national level. It is clear that periodic reports are planned to Council during the delivery of the scheme, which may lead to duplication if Scrutiny were to receive monitoring reports.</p> <p>Scrutiny needs to be mindful not to duplicate action already being</p>	<p>to be evaluated and to oversee the performance management approach being utilised around the Social Value measurement (Social Return on Investment). This captures the “softer” outcomes of the impact of the interventions and calculates a measurement to show how it affects people in the community and improves their quality of life.</p> <p><b>Officer Comment following Conference 2019</b></p> <p><b>Awaiting Officer Comment</b></p>

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					<p>taken, but can look to enhance research of new delivery areas if a viable option.</p> <p>Members queried monitoring as part of the Q4 Performance Report with the following response:</p> <p><i>The evaluations will be mid-term and final so 2 presentations during the lifetime of the project.</i></p> <p><i>There has also been 2 presentations since the award of funding to Council. It has been agreed that a report will be done again to Council once the first evaluation results are completed (June/July this year).</i></p>	
3	Review of The Council's Approach to mitigation of Air Pollution	Scrutiny Cllrs  Support from	Environmental Health	9/9 High Priority	High volume of Member concern in relation to mitigation of air pollution/traffic pollution	<p><b>Awaiting Officer Comment</b></p> <p>In relation to parking near schools/travel to</p>

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		numerous Cllrs			<p>in residential areas and around schools.</p> <p>Numerous references to areas in close proximity to M1 i.e. Barlborough M1 J30 and South Normanton/M1 J28/A38 area.</p> <p>Concern around parking near schools and how this is being managed on a daily basis. Unclear how DCC are currently addressing this.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Are fines currently issued?</li> <li>• What role is there for BDC in influencing school parking?</li> </ul>	school and associated pollution, individual schools have campaigns and there is an annual campaign by DCC. Parking enforcement is a highways issue and would require further input from DCC before potential action could be identified. BDC is not responsible for service delivery in this area.
4	Review of The Council's Approach to Emergency Planning/Disaster Recovery	Scrutiny Cllr/ CEO	Emergency Planning	Not ranked at conference	Further discussion required at Committee to assess how to take this forward and the nature of Member concerns.	Awaiting Officer Comment



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5	Review of the Council's approach to 'Climate Emergency'.	Scrutiny Cllr	Transformation Programme/Carbon Reduction Plan	Not ranked at conference	<p>Member concern as to how we implement policies to combat the rise of global temperatures. This impacts across the District and the Country as a whole.</p> <p>Key Lines of Enquiry:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is our practice for re-planting programmes to help reduce carbon footprint/tree felling as part of new developments?</li> <li>• Do we have a co-ordinated approach with neighbouring authorities?</li> <li>• How are we ensuring a move to 'clean' energy use as part of our Carbon Reduction Plan?</li> </ul>	Awaiting Officer Comment
6	Review of facilities for Young People	Scrutiny Cllr	Leisure Health & Wellbeing	9/9 High Priority	Member concern raised in relation to access to sports/community	The 2018/19 review by the Committee looked at delivery of BDC services to Young People and

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			Community Safety		<p>activities, youth centres, Extreme Wheels.</p> <p>Potential links to social inclusion, levels of ASB, overall health and wellbeing.</p> <p>Key lines of enquiry:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How do we combat perception that young people are causing ASB by simply gathering in a group?</li> <li>• Is cost of extreme wheels justified when assessing outcomes of service?</li> </ul>	<p>assessed them for equality impacts/access, service policy and procedures. Members found that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Council operated without prejudice across all services areas.</li> <li>• That the Council's existing policies and protocols embed a positive approach to service delivery to young people.</li> <li>• That the CSP continue to review current delivery to ensure that engagement with (and reward to) vulnerable/'at risk' young people requiring additional support/mediation services is maintained, wherever resources allow.</li> <li>• That further consideration be given to equality of access to</li> </ul>

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						<p>leisure provision, with particular reference to the location of provision and ensuring wherever possible that this is spread across the District.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• That the Council continues to work closely with The Young Voice (the Youth Council), as a mechanism of ensuring young people are fully engaged in our planning and decision-making processes; and able to feedback to the Council as and when required on the quality of our services.</li> </ul> <p>A recommendation we are currently monitoring is HSCGC18/19 1.1:</p> <p><i>That the coverage of community leisure provision is monitored for a twelve month period to</i></p>

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						<p><i>assess equality of access across the District.</i></p> <p>As detailed in previous reports, the Physical Activity &amp; Sports Development team deliver a wide variety of programmes and are keen for these to be accessed by as many residents as possible from across the Bolsover District. However, in order to provide such activities we do rely on accessing external funding from organisations such as schools, community groups and Parish Councils. With that in mind we are happy to explore different opportunities to market our services to encourage buy-in from across the District.</p>
7	Review of Council's partnership role	Scrutiny Cllrs/ Joint Strategic	Health & Wellbeing	9/9 High Priority	Members see this as a natural extension to our safeguarding role. The	This links to the Council's s.11 duty under the Children's Act 2004.

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	in supporting children in care and care leavers	Director/ Portfolio Holder	Partnerships (potential link to Growth Scrutiny).		<p>issue affects the whole District with evidence at County partnership level that there is a significant shortfall in the required number of foster carers and support to foster children and care leavers.</p> <p>Key lines of enquiry:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What support is currently provided by BDC, individually or in partnership? How could we enhance this further?</li> <li>• How do BDC Housing services work with partners to ensure care leavers can access council/supported housing, if required?</li> <li>• What do BDC offer by way of supported work placements and apprenticeships to care leavers? Could our current activity be</li> </ul>	Awaiting Officer Comment

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					<p>enhanced via partnership working?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Does our leisure services offer meet the needs of care leavers? (Potential impacts on health/mental wellbeing)</li> </ul> <p>Members were unclear how this may duplicate existing activity at a County level.</p>	
8	Review of Council's Approach to Homelessness	Scrutiny Cllr	Housing (BDC)	9/9 High Priority	<p>A Member noted the cases they had dealt with in a number of Wards and the issues faced when trying to secure assistance for residents. Concern was raised as to the efficiency of our current approach.</p> <p>Key lines of enquiry:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What are we currently doing to support those with housing needs in an emergency</li> </ul>	<p>The Healthy, Safe, Clean &amp; Green Communities Scrutiny Committee has received a series of updates in relation to the Council's approach and implementation of the Homelessness Reduction Act 2017, over the last two years.</p> <p>This included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A presentation/briefing in November 2017</li> </ul>

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					<p>situation i.e. emergency shelter during extreme weather; night shelter provision?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How has the Homelessness Reduction Act 2017 changed our policies and procedures?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A briefing in March 2018</li> <li>• A briefing in November 2019</li> </ul> <p>* See Appendix 3 for the minute extracts in relation to this issue. Additional information provided by the service on the legislation is also available.</p> <p>Based on previous activity by Committee an initial Member Briefing/Member Development Session on current delivery/policy may be more pertinent than a review.</p>
9	Review of The Environmental Impacts of HS2	Scrutiny Cllrs	Biodiversity/Health & Wellbeing  Planning/Regeneration	4/9 Low Priority	<p>Concerns were raised by a number of Members as to the development and possible impacts both during construction and via ongoing operation of the line.</p> <p>Key lines of enquiry:</p>	<p><b>Awaiting Officer Comment</b></p> <p>This also potentially links to the Carbon Reduction Plan 2019-30 – Theme</p>

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					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What assessment have been/will be taking place?</li> <li>• What mitigation actions have been identified by BDC/HS2?</li> <li>• What are the current environmental impacts along the proposed route? (This is required as a benchmark to assess the impact of HS2 during construction and subsequent operation)</li> </ul> <p>This impacts across the District as the line runs throughout the District affecting a number of Ward areas.</p> <p>There will be impacts on existing housing, employment land and infrastructure. Members feel scrutiny in this area could influence the</p>	5-Planning and Theme 7- Biodiversity.



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					<p>quality of approach in mitigating the environmental impacts of HS2.</p> <p>Members were unclear as to current activity and whether scrutiny involvement would be a duplication.</p>	
10	Review of The Authority's approach to Mental Health education and support	Scrutiny Cllr	Health and Wellbeing	2/9 Low Priority	<p>Members felt this was a huge topic to address but were aware that it was possible to have an impact internally. Members noted the links to suicide, particularly in men.</p> <p>Key lines of enquiry:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Could the internal approach to Safeguarding training/awareness be replicated for Mental Health?</li> <li>• Could we adopt a scheme of Mental Health champions?</li> </ul>	Awaiting Officer Comment

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					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Do we have a 'gap analysis' in relation to current training/support services?</li> <li>• What are we doing/can we do to work with DCC in relation to mental health services?</li> </ul>	
11	Review of The impact of Universal Credit (UC) on school age children and the number of those children in poverty	Scrutiny Cllr		9/9 High Priority	<p>Members are concerned as to the detrimental effect of Universal Credit on poverty levels in school age children. Due to the range of issues seen at Ward level across the District, this is believed to be a District-wide issue.</p> <p>Members are aware of a greater demand for support services and concerned as to the effect on education/school attendance due to the costs associated with</p>	Awaiting Officer Comment

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					<p>attendance i.e. transport/clothes/food.</p> <p>Evidence that this is a common issue of concern across our partner agencies.</p> <p>Potential for a review to have both short and long term benefits.</p> <p>The impacts of UC have been queried on a number of occasions by the Committee over the last 12-24 months, and Cllrs feel that our position/service delivery in this area could be clearer.</p> <p>Key lines of enquiry:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What are the current gaps in provision/ Is there a current needs analysis?</li> <li>• What charity projects/ VCS</li> </ul>	

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					<p>agencies are assisting families within the District?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is their current funding situation and is their service a sustainable offer?</li> <li>• What are our current links with DCC teams in relation to this?</li> </ul>	
12	Review of Regulations related to keeping bees in a domestic setting	Scrutiny Cllr	Environmental Health – Regulatory	Not discussed/scored at conference	<p>Concern over regulation of bee keeping in a domestic rather than commercial setting and the potential impacts on local residents. How is this regulated by BDC?</p> <p>**No additional evidence provided by Cllr as to scale of issue/known complaints or incidents within the District to indicate areas of investigation.</p>	Awaiting Officer Comment

## **Scrutiny of Housing Needs Service during 2017/18 and 2018/19**

Minute Extract – 14<sup>th</sup> November 2017

### **0382. HOMELESSNESS BRIEFING – PRESENTATION BY THE HOUSING NEEDS MANAGER**

The Housing Needs Manager gave a presentation to the meeting which provided details of the new Homelessness Reduction Act which would come into force in April 2018.

The change in the law meant local authorities would have to give advice and support to anyone at risk of homelessness regardless of whether they were deemed to be in priority need or not.

In exchange, anyone at risk of homelessness would be required to cooperate with a tailored package of measures (a personal housing plan), such as debt advice or family mediation, either to help them stay in their existing home or find a suitable new home.

The Housing Needs Manager advised Committee that the Homelessness Reduction Act was the biggest change in legislation since the initial act in 1977.

#### Background Information

In 2015, legislation was introduced in Wales which required councils to take steps to help anyone at risk of homelessness, regardless of need.

A mystery shopping exercise was carried out in 16 local authorities by the homeless charity, Crisis and the findings showed that the quality of housing advice available to homeless households was generally poor and sometimes unlawful. Additionally, the mystery shoppers found the treatment of homeless people by councils to be unacceptable.

The House of Commons Select Committee undertook an inquiry with a final report containing far-reaching recommendations – this was published in July 2016.

Alongside the report a Homelessness Reduction Bill (HRB), which aimed to improve the support and advice offered to all homeless people, was produced.

In 2002 local authorities had a statutory duty to produce a homelessness strategy. In 2016, Bolsover officers had developed a North Derbyshire Homelessness Strategy in partnership with NEDDC and Chesterfield Borough Council, which provided clear focus and direction to enable the Council to prevent homelessness as effectively and efficiently as possible in partnership with neighbouring authorities as well as other partner agencies such as advice and support providers. The Housing Needs Manager would provide Members with the Action Plans from the joint Strategy.

In the forthcoming months, Housing officers, working with the Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG), would be carrying out work to implement the new duty, which would be based on the learning from Wales.

In response to a Member's question, the Housing Needs Manager confirmed that housing officers carried out school projects aimed at year 11s, visiting local schools to give talks on homelessness and budgeting etc, which would hopefully give young people an insight into the consequences of becoming homeless.

The Housing Needs Manager gave further detail of Government grants which would be provided to councils in the first year only to help with the transition to the new Act.

Members thanked the Housing Needs Manager for an informative presentation and looked forward to feedback and an update on the Act at the March 2018 Committee meeting.

*The Housing Needs Manager left the meeting.*

#### Minute Extract 20<sup>th</sup> March 2018

### **0655. HOMELESSNESS REDUCTION ACT – VERBAL UPDATE**

The Housing Needs Officers attended the meeting on behalf of the Housing Needs Manager to provide an update to Members in relation to the Council's readiness for the Homelessness Reduction Act which would be coming into force in April.

Members would recall that at the Committee's meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2017, the Housing Needs Manager explained that a change in the law meant local authorities would have to give advice and support to anyone at risk of homelessness regardless of whether they were deemed to be in priority need or not.

Anyone at risk of homelessness would be required to cooperate with a tailored package of measures (a personal housing plan), such as debt advice or family mediation, either to help them stay in their existing home or find a suitable new home.

The Housing Needs Officers reported that preparations were well advanced. All Derbyshire authorities were working together and would be using the same Locata IT system where information would be shared regarding applicants' case notes.

All the Derbyshire Housing Managers were holding monthly meetings to ensure paper work and systems were working along the same lines and Bolsover Housing Needs Officers were meeting on a weekly basis to consider the application forms for practicalities and checking that all areas were captured to ensure information gathered from an applicant enabled the service to be delivered. The forms were being compared to the other Derbyshire authorities' forms and the Housing Innovation Officer was preparing a Privacy Impact Assessment document.

The test system was currently being trialled and would go live on 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2018.

A Member queried how sensitive the new practicalities were in dealing with potentially homeless person(s). The Housing Needs Officers replied that although a large amount of information would be required from an applicant to gauge their needs, assessments would be carried out as quickly and efficiently as possible.

Another Member queried how officers would recognise if an applicant had a mental health illness or any vulnerability. The Housing Needs Officers replied that this usually became apparent in the early stages of an interview. If a person was taken into hospital for psychiatric treatment, continued support would be provided by officers via liaison with mental health teams on what would need putting in place for when the person left hospital.

A Member queried how homeless people could get into private accommodation via the Council. The Housing Needs Officers replied that there were preventative funds and also the Freedom Project in Bolsover which could help with this.

The Housing Needs Officers advised the meeting that training would be rolled out to front line staff in relation to dealing with clients under the Homeless Reduction Act, however, staff would only give basic advice and hand out paperwork. Housing Needs Officers would follow up any clients' queries that frontline staff could not answer.

In response to a Member's query, the Housing Needs Officers informed the meeting that the Derbyshire Law Centre in Chesterfield was a good support agency to the Council and the Council also referred clients to them.

Members thanked the Housing Needs Officers for their work and providing the update to the meeting.

Moved by Councillor C. Moesby and seconded by Councillor J.E. Bennett  
**RESOLVED** that the update be noted.

*The Housing Needs Officers left the meeting.*

#### Minute Extract 18<sup>th</sup> March 2019

### **0510. HOMELESSNESS – UPDATE ON THE APPROACH AT BOLSOVER DISTRICT COUNCIL TO MEET THE NEW LEGISLATIVE DUTY**

Committee considered a verbal update provided by the Housing Needs Manager in relation to the Council's approach to meeting the new legislative duty with regard to homelessness.

The Homeless Reduction Act came into force in April 2018 and was a new duty to provide housing advice and prevention to all groups regardless of priority need.

Since the Homeless Reduction Act was introduced, the Council had not seen a huge increase in approaches with regard to anyone facing homelessness, however,

further to a Member's query, the Housing Needs Manager noted that the roll out of Universal Credit in the District would possibly make an impact on the reasons for approaches in the future. She advised Members that Housing and Benefits Officers were working closely together, along with external support agencies, to identify existing tenants who may be facing difficulty in the future.

Bolsover Housing Officers were part of a Derbyshire Homeless Officers Group (DHOG) which met on a monthly basis. The Group all used the same IT system, 'Locata', to support with the new duty legislation. The Group was strong and had been successful in being awarded Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) homeless bids. These grants helped to enhance the services being delivered by Housing.

There was also a new service for private Landlords; 'Call Before You Serve', to encourage landlords to work with their tenants who were struggling to pay their rent, rather than starting eviction proceedings.

Since 2002, it had been statutory for all local authorities to have a Homeless Strategy. In 2016, Bolsover decided to have a joint Strategy with North East Derbyshire District Council and Chesterfield Borough Council, titled 'the North Derbyshire Homeless Strategy 2016 to 2020'. There were four key strands to the Strategy;

- To develop a robust young person's housing pathway by delivering a range of housing solutions with our partners
- To create strong partnerships with all stakeholders to tackle homelessness for all those at risk, including those most vulnerable households
- Prevent rough sleeping across the area
- Prevent homelessness by tackling and reducing financial deprivation within our communities

The Strategy detailed how the three councils would provide effective access to a range of housing services, support and other opportunities for North Derbyshire residents affected by homelessness to help them rebuild their lives. The Strategy had been shaped by national policy, a thorough review of homelessness and homeless services in North Derbyshire and took account of stakeholder feedback and partner views.

There was also the North Derbyshire Homeless Forum which met around five times per year with all partner agencies being invited to meetings. The Forum took the lead on the action plan from the North Derbyshire Homeless Strategy to ensure that actions were being delivered and monitored. Joint training for officers was also arranged via the Forum. The Forum also provided advice to partner agencies regarding the implementation of the Homeless Reduction Act as homelessness was not just a Housing issue; it was linked to ex-offenders, mental health, drugs and alcohol – all these problems led to whether someone could sustain a successful tenancy or not.

A discussion took place regarding rough sleepers gaining access to temporary accommodation and that some were denied this if they were ex-offenders for serious



crimes such as arson, drugs and violent behaviour etc. The Housing Needs Manager noted that there were some homeless people who refused to engage with Housing and partner agencies and continued to rough sleep; fortunately there were not many of these people in the District.

The Housing Needs Manager also noted that some people did not want to go directly to the Council for help and referred to some of the services in the area that the Council helped to fund;

- The Freedom Project in Bolsover, which was based at the church worked directly with people out on the streets in the Bolsover area, helping them to access private rented accommodation – they also provided meals in the church.
- Action Housing was a housing provider and a partner of the Council and provided accommodation for young people in Chesterfield with an emphasis on training by helping to get them into college.
- Newbold Court, Chesterfield, (Chesterfield Borough Council owned) placements for single people.
- The Arbor Project was for significant high risk ex-offenders and run by Action Housing, dealt with by the Multiple Agency Protection Arrangements (MAPPA) – these people needed careful monitoring until they were deemed safe to be in the community. It was critical that the Arbor Project continued.
- Derbyshire Law Centre (DLC) – Housing had provided some of the homeless prevention monies to DLC. Two homeless prevention workers from DLC worked with Bolsover Housing staff and provided advice to landlords with tenancy issues etc.
- Call Before You Serve – this was a new service across Derbyshire (as referred to previously in the meeting). The service worked with private landlords regarding issues with tenancies and other matters, for example, form filling etc. This service would be promoted to private landlords across the District via the Landlords Forum by the Joint Empty Properties Officer.

In response to a Member's query regarding direct payment of housing benefit to landlords, the Housing Needs Manager replied that the introduction of Universal Credit had now made this very difficult for tenants to arrange. There were some exceptional circumstances, however, but these were scarce. Members requested the criteria for direct payment of housing benefit to landlords and also an update on Universal Credit roll out in the District to be provided to them at a future meeting of the Committee. The Scrutiny & Elections Officer noted that a presentation on Universal Credit could be arranged via the Member Development Working Group.

A Member queried how the Council dealt with families who were potentially being made homeless due to significant debt. The Housing Needs Manager advised Members that Housing officers would call in other agencies such as the Derbyshire Law Centre to work with the family and help set up debt repayment plans so a landlord could see that they were addressing their debt and hopefully they could stay in the home they had. If families with children were made homeless, the Council had a duty to ensure that they had accommodation, however, not necessarily a Council property. The Homeless Reduction Act put an emphasis on keeping people and families in the home they already had with a lot of support from Housing and outside

agencies to keep them there. The Housing Needs Manager noted that this was not always an easy task and involved hours of work from Housing staff and outside agencies.

'Pathways' was another support agency for single people who were rough sleepers. Based in Chesterfield, it was a 'drop in' centre providing showers and meals and also support for people to gain accommodation and medical support for mental health including drugs and alcohol treatment etc.

Night shelters – this was a new service being provided by churches in Chesterfield from December 2018 through to March 2019. This was led by Derby City Mission who successfully run the night shelters in Derby. The Council provided some funding to them and also the MHCLG. There were around 15 bed spaces per night and there was a zero tolerance of bad behaviour. All the relevant agencies were aware of the service.

The Housing Needs Manager provided some statistics for approaches to the Council for homelessness in 2017/18 and from April to November 2018.

Members thanked the Housing Needs Manager for the update.

Moved by Councillor S. Peake and seconded by Councillor C.R. Moesby

**RESOLVED** that (1) the update be noted,

(2) the criteria for direct payment of housing benefit to landlords and also an update on Universal Credit roll out in the District be provided to Members at a future meeting of the Committee.

(Housing Needs Manager/Scrutiny & Elections Officer)

*The Housing Needs Manager left the meeting.*