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Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2022

Dear Councillor


**CLIMATE CHANGE AND COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Climate Change and Communities Scrutiny Committee of the Bolsover District Council to be held at the Council Chamber, The Arc, Clowne on Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> May, 2022 at 10:00 hours.

Register of Members' Interests - Members are reminded that a Member must within 28 days of becoming aware of any changes to their Disclosable Pecuniary Interests provide written notification to the Authority's Monitoring Officer.

You will find the contents of the agenda itemised onwards.

Yours faithfully



Solicitor to the Council & Monitoring Officer



**Bolsover**  
District Council

**We speak your language**  
Polish **Mówimy Twoim językiem**  
Slovak **Rozprávame Vaším jazykom**  
Chinese **我们会说你的语言**

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# CLIMATE CHANGE AND COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE AGENDA

*Tuesday, 24th May, 2022 at 10:00 hours taking place at the Council Chamber, The Arc,  
Clowne*

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1.	<b>Apologies for Absence</b>	
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3.	<b>Declarations of Interest</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 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.*

11. **Review Work**

Draft review report and agreement of recommendations – TO FOLLOW

## CLIMATE CHANGE AND COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting of the Climate Change and Communities Scrutiny Committee of the Bolsover District Council held in the Council Chamber, The Arc, Clowne on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2022 at 1000 hours.

### **PRESENT:-**

Members:-

Councillor Nick Clarke in the Chair

Councillors Anne Clarke (Vice-Chair) and David Dixon

Officers:- Karen Hanson (Executive Director – Resources), Victoria Dawson (Assistant Director of Housing Management and Enforcement), Matt Liddy (Community Safety and Enforcement Manager), Deborah Whallett (Housing Enforcement Manager), Melanie Osbourne (Senior Parenting Practitioner), Carolyn Bowen (Assistant Community Safety Officer), Ellie Bircumshaw (Anti-Social Behaviour Case Worker), Dan Kowalczyk (Anti-Social Behaviour Case Worker), Joanne Wilson (Scrutiny & Elections Officer) and Tom Scott (Governance Officer).

Also in attendance was Councillor Mary Dooley (Portfolio Holder – Enforcement and Partnerships).

The Executive Director – Resources left the meeting during Minute No. CLI45-21/22. A user of the parenting support service entered the meeting during Minute No. CLI47-21/22.

### **CLI39-21/22          APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors Evonne Parkin, Janet Tait, and Mark Seston (Community Safety Officer).

### **CLI40-21/22          URGENT ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

There were no urgent items of business to consider

### **CLI41-21/22          DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest made.

### **CLI42-21/22          MINUTES**

Moved by Councillor Nick Clarke and seconded by Councillor Anne Clarke

**RESOLVED** that the Minutes of a Climate Change and Communities Scrutiny Committee held on 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2022 be approved as a correct record.

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### **CLI43-21/22            LIST OF KEY DECISIONS AND ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED IN PRIVATE**

Committee considered the List of Key Decisions and items to be considered in private document presented by the Scrutiny & Elections Officer.

Moved by Councillor Nick Clarke and seconded by Councillor Anne Clarke  
**RESOLVED** that the list of Key Decisions be noted.

### **CLI44-21/22            WORK PROGRAMME 2021/22**

Committee considered the remainder of their Work Programme for 2021/22.

The Scrutiny & Elections Officer explained that an informal session for Members to discuss their review work would take place on 12<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

Moved by Councillor Nick Clarke and seconded by Councillor Anne Clarke  
**RESOLVED** that the Work Programme 2021/22 be noted.

### **CLI45-21/22            ANNUAL REVIEW OF COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP**

The Executive Director – Resources introduced the report and appendices and explained how they provided the necessary background information for the Committee’s annual review of the Community Safety Partnership (CSP). She added that the last year had been very busy for the Community Safety Partnership, and the ‘CAN Rangers’ were now known as the ‘Community Enforcement Rangers’.

The Executive Director – Resources noted that she wished to place on record her pride at the work her team did in response to the incident regarding ex-District Councillor Ken Walker and his wife Freda. The team had carried out a lot of work in reassuring people in the area and had also carried out installation of alarms.

*(The Executive Director – Resources left the meeting at this point)*

The Housing Enforcement Manager gave a presentation with an update on the CSP and its current delivery. This included:

- 1) Why we have a Partnership
- 2) Statutory organisations in the CSP
- 3) Priorities
- 4) What we have achieved
- 5) Domestic Abuse update
- 6) Police and Crime Commissioner’s new priorities

Councillor Mary Dooley queried why Amber Valley had shown a 12% lower rate of Domestic Abuse than was forecast in 2022. The Housing Enforcement Manager agreed to investigate this and respond to Councillor Dooley outside of the meeting.

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The Community Safety and Enforcement Manager gave a presentation regarding the changes to the Enforcement Team. This included:

- 1) A new structure
- 2) Community Enforcement Rangers
- 3) Partnership working & joint initiatives
- 4) Recorded jobs (February 2022)

Councillor Nick Clarke raised that he felt there were issues with people parking their non-electronic vehicles on EV charging point spaces. The Community Safety and Enforcement Manager explained that officers would need to look at orders to control parking.

Councillor David Dixon queried how the Ranger 9pm -12 midnight shift worked. The Community Safety and Enforcement Manager explained that two Rangers were always on duty, with an additional Ranger at weekends. There were approximately 2-4 more during the day, and two more at night. He added that there was an overtime budget for emergencies.

Councillor David Dixon queried if the Rangers could take undercover footage. The Community Safety and Enforcement Manager explained that the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 prevented this.

Councillor David Dixon queried if officers had spoken with Parish Councils about use of their cameras. The Community Safety and Enforcement Manager explained that officers were asked to liaise with Parish Councils.

Councillor Anne Clarke referred to car parking in Bolsover town being much busier after the closure of the Co-operative store. The Community Safety and Enforcement Manager explained that the emergency services would take care of car parks which were not the Council's.

The Anti-Social Behaviour Case Worker (Ellie Bircumshaw) gave a presentation with an ASB Summary. This included:

- 1) Who am I and what have I been doing?
- 2) Aims for the next year

Councillor David Dixon queried the CSP's plans to educate children. The Anti-Social Behaviour Case Worker explained that roadshows were being considered, and officers had spoken to Year 5 and 6 children about fire safety.

The Housing Enforcement Manager stated that links with Safer Neighbourhood teams had vastly improved because of the Community Safety and Enforcement Manager and the Community Safety Officer.

Councillor Nick Clarke referred to incidents regarding people digging up young trees. The Community Safety and Enforcement Manager confirmed that officers were aware of these incidents.

**RESOLVED** that the reports be noted.

## CLIMATE CHANGE AND COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

(Scrutiny & Elections Officer)

### **CLI46-21/22                      EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC**

Moved by Councillor Nick Clarke and seconded by Councillor Anne Clarke

**RESOLVED** that the public be excluded from the meeting during the discussion of the following items of business to avoid the disclosure to them of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006).

### **CLI47-21/22                      ANNUAL REVIEW OF COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP – EXEMPT DOCUMENTS**

The Senior Parenting Practitioner provided a presentation to Members in relation to the parenting support service. A user of the service was in attendance at the meeting to provide their experience of using the service.

The meeting concluded at 11:45 hours.



**List of Key Decisions and items to be considered in private**

The latest version of the Forward Plan can be found here:

<https://committees.bolsover.gov.uk/mgListPlans.aspx?RPId=1147&RD=0&bcr=1>

Members should contact the officer whose name appears on the List of Key Decisions for any further information.

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## **Bolsover District Council**

### **Meeting of Climate Change & Communities Scrutiny Committee on 24 May 2022**

#### **Agreement of Scrutiny Committee Work Programme 2022/23**

#### **Report of the Scrutiny & Elections Officer**

<b>Classification</b>	This report is Public
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#### **PURPOSE/SUMMARY OF REPORT**

- To provide members of the Scrutiny Committee with an overview of the meeting programme of the Committee for 2022/23.

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#### **REPORT DETAILS**

##### **1. Background**

- 1.1 The main purpose of the report is to inform members of the meeting programme for the year 2022/23 and planned agenda items (Appendix 1).
- 1.2 This programme may be subject to change should additional reports/presentations be required, or if items need to be re-arranged for alternative dates.
- 1.3 Review Scopes submitted will be 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.
- 1.4 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.

- 1.5 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.
- 1.6 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.
- 1.7 As part of the scoping of Reviews, consideration is given to any consultation that could support the evidence gathering process.

## **2. Details of Proposal or Information**

- 2.1 Attached at Appendix 1 is the meeting schedule for 2022/23 and the proposed agenda items for approval/amendment.

## **3. Reasons for Recommendation**

- 3.1 This report sets the formal Committee Work Programme for 2022/23 and the issues identified for review.
- 3.2 The Scrutiny Programme enables challenge to service delivery both internally and externally across all the Council Ambitions.
- 3.3 The Scrutiny functions outlined in Part 3.6(1) of the Council's Constitution requires each Scrutiny Committee to set an annual work plan.

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

- 4.1 There is no option to reject the report as the Scrutiny functions outlined in Part 3.6(1) of the Council's Constitution requires each Scrutiny Committee to set an annual work plan.

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## **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

1. That Members review this report and the Programme attached at Appendix 1 for approval and amendment as required. All Members are advised to contact the Scrutiny & Elections Officer should they have any queries regarding future meetings.

**IMPLICATIONS:****Finance and Risk:** Yes ☐ No ☒**Details:**

None from this report.

On behalf of the Section 151 Officer

**Legal (including Data Protection):** Yes ☒ No ☐**Details:**

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 to/amended these powers e.g. the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007.

On behalf of the Solicitor to the Council

**Staffing:** Yes ☐ No ☒**Details:**

None from this report.

On behalf of the Head of Paid Service

**DECISION INFORMATION**

<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:  <b>Revenue - £75,000 <input type="checkbox"/> Capital - £150,000 <input type="checkbox"/></b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Please indicate which threshold applies</i>	No
<b>Is the decision subject to Call-In?</b> <i>(Only Key Decisions are subject to Call-In)</i>	No
<b>District Wards Significantly Affected</b>	N/A
<b>Consultation:</b> <b>Leader / Deputy Leader <input type="checkbox"/> Executive <input type="checkbox"/></b> <b>SLT <input type="checkbox"/> Relevant Service Manager <input type="checkbox"/></b> <b>Members <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/></b>	Yes  Details: Committee Members

**Links to Council Ambition: Customers, Economy and Environment.**

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DOCUMENT INFORMATION	
Appendix No	Title
1.	CCCSC Work Programme 2022/23

Background Papers
<i>(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 Executive you must provide copies of the background papers).</i>
Previous versions of the Committee Work Programme.

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## Climate Change and Communities Scrutiny Committee

### Work Programme 2022/23

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
24 May 2022 13	Part A – Formal	• Agreement of Work Programme 2022/23	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
		• Update on Community Woodlands Project	Interim Planning Policy Manager
		• Carbon Reduction Plan – Monitoring Report	Assistant Director of Property Services & Housing Repairs
		• Delivery of Leisure Services post Covid-19 – Impact on provision, budgets and sustainability of service	Leisure Operations Manager
		• Review of Council Policy on Fireworks: Executive Response	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
	Part B – Informal	• Review work: Draft review report and agreement of recommendations	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
12 July 2022	Part A - Formal	• TBC	
		• Work Programme 2022/23	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
	Part B - Informal	• Review work	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
20 September 2022	Part A – Formal	• Sustainable Community Strategy 2020-23 and current Partnership delivery – Monitoring Update	Partnership Team
		• Review of Council Policy on Fireworks: Post-Scrutiny Monitoring (Interim Report)	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
		• Work Programme 2022/23	Scrutiny & Elections Officer

Date of Meeting	Items for Agenda		Lead Officer
	Part B – Informal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review work</li> </ul>	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
15 November 2022	Part A – Formal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TBC</li> </ul>	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work Programme 2022/23</li> </ul>	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
	Part B – Informal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review work</li> </ul>	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
31 January 2023 14	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>Work Programme 2022/23</li> </ul>	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
	Part B – Informal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Preparation for Annual Review of the Community Safety Partnership</li> </ul>	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review work</li> </ul>	Partnerships team/ Scrutiny & Elections Officer
7 March 2023	Part A – Formal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Annual Review of Community Safety Partnership</li> </ul>	Executive Director of Resources/ Head of Housing Management and Enforcement/ Housing Enforcement Manager/ Community Safety Team
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work Programme 2022/23</li> </ul>	Scrutiny & Elections Officer
	Part B – Informal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review Work</li> </ul>	Scrutiny & Elections Officer

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# **CLIMATE CHANGE & COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY MEETING**

**24<sup>th</sup> May 2022**

# Bolsover Community Woodlands project update

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# Bolsover Community Woodlands project update

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## Project objectives:

- to plant in the region of 27,500 trees to help carbon sequestration to provide a significant boost to the District Council's ambition of planting one million trees across the District over the next few years;
- to engage the District's communities in our tree planting and climate change campaigns by delivering several flagship examples and standard bearers that can demonstrate what is possible and that can encourage significant levels of tree planting and community activity and ownership at all scales and locations across the District;
- to increase the resilience of existing woodlands and create, repair and connect woodland and other important habitats in this part of the District and establish a more managed approach to woodlands and habitats.

# Bolsover Community Woodlands project update

Project flagship site: former Creswell Colliery land



# Bolsover Community Woodlands project update

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## Project timeline:

- Early 2020 – open discussions with the Woodland Trust;
- November 2020 – submit bid to the Woodland Trust under their new Emergency Tree Fund;
- February 2021 – Woodland Trust award BDC with funding of £269,160;
- June 2021 – Woodland Trust provide final version of the funding agreement;
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# **Bolsover Community Woodlands project update**

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So what about delivery?!

# Bolsover Community Woodlands project update

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Initial tasks achieved:

- enter into lease discussions and arrangements with Welbeck Estates regarding the flagship site;
- appointment of W. Crowder and Sons Ltd to supply trees to the Council for the Bolsover Community Woodlands project;
- appointment of DSA Environmental and Design Ltd to provide landscape survey and woodland design work;
- appointment of Bolsover Woodlands Enterprise as our tree planting team and delivering our future maintenance and management of the created community woodlands for the Woodland Trust required 15 year period.

# Bolsover Community Woodlands project update

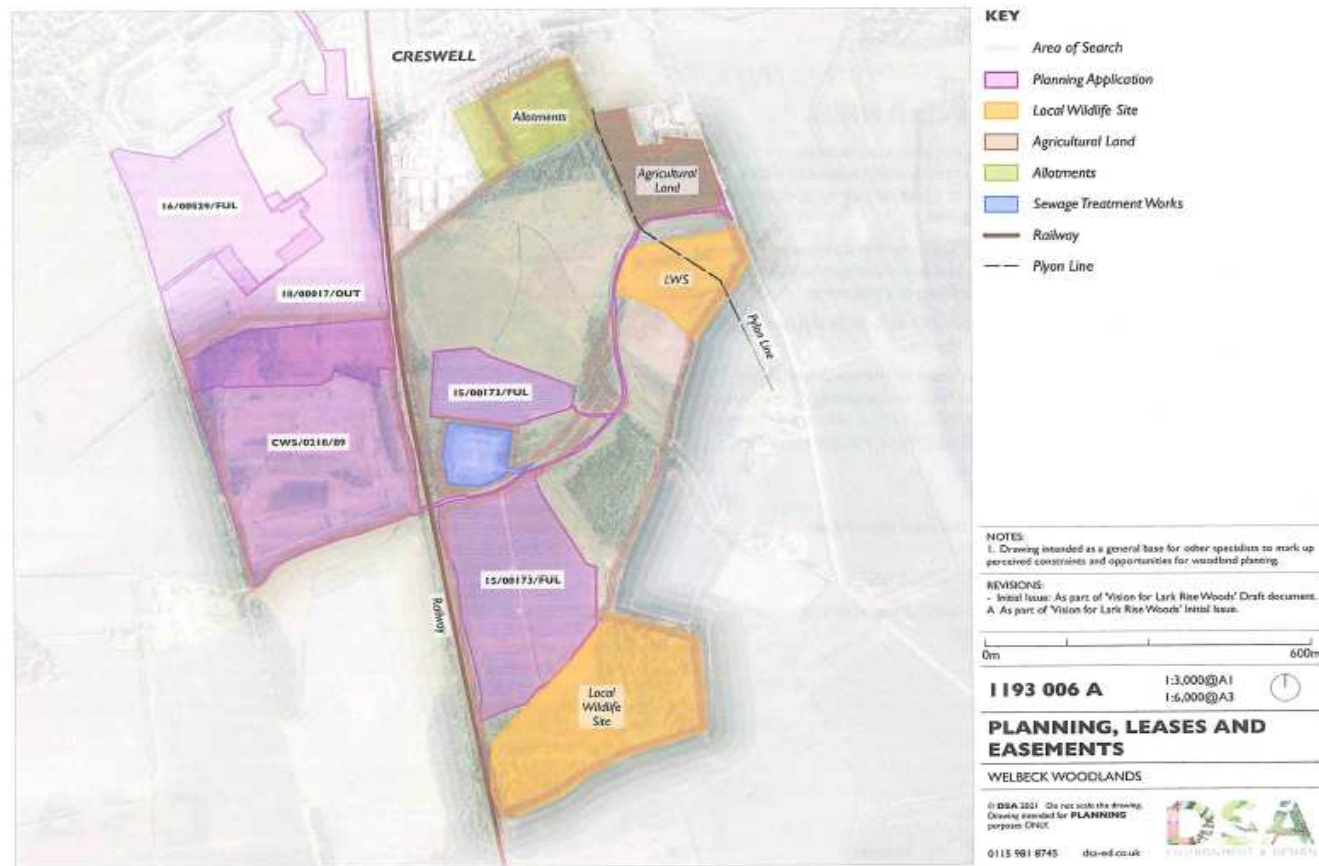
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- **August - October 2021 – Delivery contracts start.**

# Bolsover Community Woodlands project update

The flagship site: First step is to look at constraints and opportunities





# Bolsover Community Woodlands project update

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The flagship site: Establish a vision





# Bolsover Community Woodlands project update

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The flagship site: Break this down into deliverable phases

## Phase 1a – Site preparation



# Bolsover Community Woodlands project update

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The flagship site: Break this down into deliverable phases

## Phase 1a – Site preparation





# Bolsover Community Woodlands project update

The flagship site: Break this down into deliverable phases

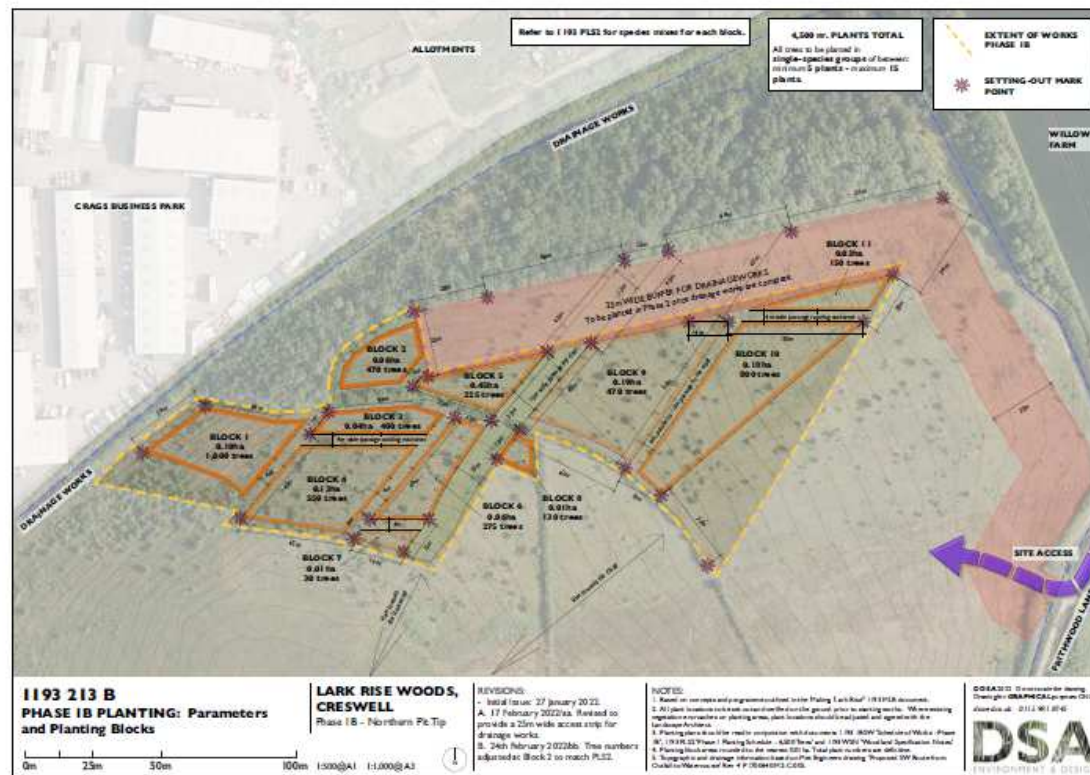
## Phase 1b – Fox Green interface with the village



# Bolsover Community Woodlands project update

The flagship site: Break this down into deliverable phases

## Phase 1c – Test area on the colliery tip



# Bolsover Community Woodlands project update

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# Bolsover Community Woodlands project update

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# Bolsover Community Woodlands project update

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# Bolsover Community Woodlands project update

Bolsover – Proposed parade of trees, Langwith Road





# Bolsover Community Woodlands project update

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# Bolsover Community Woodlands project update

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- December 2021 – First tree planted!
- **March 2022 – At end of tree planting season, over 6,200 trees planted.**

# Bolsover Community Woodlands project update

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Film / photographs / graphics links:

## **Creswell community reveal event**

Article on Bolsover TV, 12<sup>th</sup> November 2021

[https://vimeo.com/644813578?embedded=true&source=vimeo\\_logo&owner=94230869](https://vimeo.com/644813578?embedded=true&source=vimeo_logo&owner=94230869)

## **Creswell first tree planting event**

Article on Bolsover TV, 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021

[https://vimeo.com/657745802?embedded=true&source=vimeo\\_logo&owner=94230869](https://vimeo.com/657745802?embedded=true&source=vimeo_logo&owner=94230869)

## **Bolsover tree planting event**

Article on Bolsover TV, 25<sup>th</sup> March 2022

[https://vimeo.com/691870499?embedded=true&source=vimeo\\_logo&owner=94230869](https://vimeo.com/691870499?embedded=true&source=vimeo_logo&owner=94230869)

# Bolsover Community Woodlands project update

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## Next steps:

- arranging celebration events and community activities to mark completion of first year of tree planting;
- appoint a Community Woodlands Project Officer to support delivery of the project and bid for more money;
- plan for year 2 on the flagship Creswell site;
- further discussions with the District's Parish and Town Councils to develop further tree planting projects for next year.

## **Bolsover District Council**

### **Meeting of the Climate Change & Communities Scrutiny Committee on 24 May 2022**

#### **Carbon Reduction Plan – Monitoring Report**

#### **Report of the Leader of the Council**

<b>Classification</b>	This report is Public
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#### **PURPOSE/SUMMARY OF REPORT**

To update Scrutiny Members on the authorities work towards carbon zero and recommended changes on the way this is reported.

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#### **REPORT DETAILS**

##### **1. Background**

- 1.1 Previous updates on the Carbon Reduction Plan have been presented to the Customer Service & Transformation and Healthy, Safe, Clean & Green Scrutiny Committees.
- 1.2 This report is a monitoring update following operational changes during the Covid-19 pandemic.

##### **2. Details of Proposal or Information**

- 2.1 Attached at Appendix 1 for Members information is a report submitted to Executive in March 2022.
- 2.2 Additional information provided is by means of verbal presentation on the current projects being undertaken.

### 3. Reasons for Recommendation

- 3.1 To provide the required monitoring update to Scrutiny, which has not taken place since March 2021.

### 4 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection

- 4.1 There are no alternative reasons, as a monitoring update is required to Members.

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### RECOMMENDATION(S)

1. That Scrutiny Members note the contents of the Executive report and verbal presentation outlining the revised approach to delivery.

#### IMPLICATIONS:

**Finance and Risk:** Yes ☐ No ☒

**Details:**

None from this report.

On behalf of the Section 151 Officer

**Legal (including Data Protection):** Yes ☐ No ☒

**Details:**

None from this report.

On behalf of the Solicitor to the Council

**Staffing:** Yes ☐ No ☒

**Details:**

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### DECISION INFORMATION

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<b>Is the decision subject to Call-In?</b> (Only Key Decisions are subject to Call-In)	No

<b>District Wards Significantly Affected</b>	All
<b>Consultation:</b> <b>Leader / Deputy Leader</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Executive</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>SLT</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Relevant Service Manager</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Members</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Public</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Other</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	Details:

<b>Links to Council Ambition: Customers, Economy and Environment.</b>

DOCUMENT INFORMATION	
Appendix No	Title
1	Report submitted to Executive in March 2022

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**Bolsover District Council**

**Meeting of the Executive on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2022**

**Carbon Reduction Plan – Monitoring Update**

**Report of the Leader of the Council**

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**PURPOSE/SUMMARY OF REPORT**

To update Executive on the authorities work towards carbon zero and recommended changes on the way this is reported.

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**REPORT DETAILS**

**1. Background**

- 1.1 In Jan 2019 a report was taken to Executive regarding the Carbon Reduction Plan (CRP) 2019-30 for both strategic authorities which formed part of the Transformation plan.
- 1.2 The original CRP set out 8 thematic areas by which the authority aimed to reduce its carbon emissions.
- 1.3 Attached to each theme there was an action plan assigned to specific officers.

**2. Details of Proposal or Information**

- 2.1 Although the thematic areas remain relevant the action plans are out of date and don't reflect the changing face of climate change and the reduction of carbon



emissions. Added to this having our own CRP doesn't mesh easily with external funding opportunities.

- 2.2 Having looked the existing action plans and those in use with regional funders and in consultation with the Assistant Director of Development a 10 point framework used by the Midlands Engine was identified which would allow our existing themes to be transferred/captured but would also allow the streamlining of bids for schemes to be aligned with regional and national funders.

### **3. Reasons for Recommendation**

- 3.1 The framework allows better compatibility with funders both regionally and nationally.
- 3.2 The framework includes additional themes which represent new and emerging technologies that BDC are keen to explore.
- 3.3 This allows a number of different polices and groups to be brought together with progress clearly identified and evidenced, with greater opportunities to be offered to partners through the \climate group and the Bolsover Partnership.
- 3.4 The framework will ensure a consistent approach to climate improvements in the Bolsover District.

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

- 4.1 Remain as we are, which would be less flexible, not relevant to new and emerging technologies, not clearly set out to funding and other partners the schemes BDC are working on and the opportunities for them to be involved.

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### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

1. That Executive accept the proposed changes to the CRP and move away from more traditional monitoring to a live document that tracks and evidences progress across all schemes and or Initiatives.

#### **IMPLICATIONS:**

##### **Finance and Risk:**

Yes ☐

No ☒

##### **Details:**

There are no direct financial implications from the plan itself. Where appropriate schemes will be put in front of Exec and or Council for decisions.

On behalf of the Section 151 Officer

##### **Legal (including Data Protection):**

Yes ☐

No ☒

##### **Details:**

Although there are a number of drivers underpinning the need for this plan, like the Kyoto Protocol this recommendation has no Legal risks as the plan is already adopted, the decision is around reporting arrangements.

On behalf of the Solicitor to the Council

**Staffing:** Yes ☐ No ☒

**Details:**

There are no staffing implications.

On behalf of the Head of Paid Service

## DECISION INFORMATION

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<b>Is the decision subject to Call-In?</b> <i>(Only Key Decisions are subject to Call-In)</i>	No

<b>District Wards Significantly Affected</b>	All
<b>Consultation:</b> <b>Leader / Deputy Leader</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Executive</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>SLT</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Relevant Service Manager</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Members</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Public</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Other</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	Details: Leader and SLT

## Links to Council Ambition: Customers, Economy and Environment.

The Carbon Reduction Plan clearly links into the Environment Ambition but can also have an impact on both Customer and Economy.

## DOCUMENT INFORMATION

Appendix No	Title

## Background Papers

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## Go Active @ The Arc & Community Provision

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Current situation with service delivery inc. any restrictions/staffing issues/changes to delivery as a result of pandemic

- ♦ All restrictions have been lifted and we were able to return to a full programme of activities, both within the Go Active leisure facility and community and school provision.

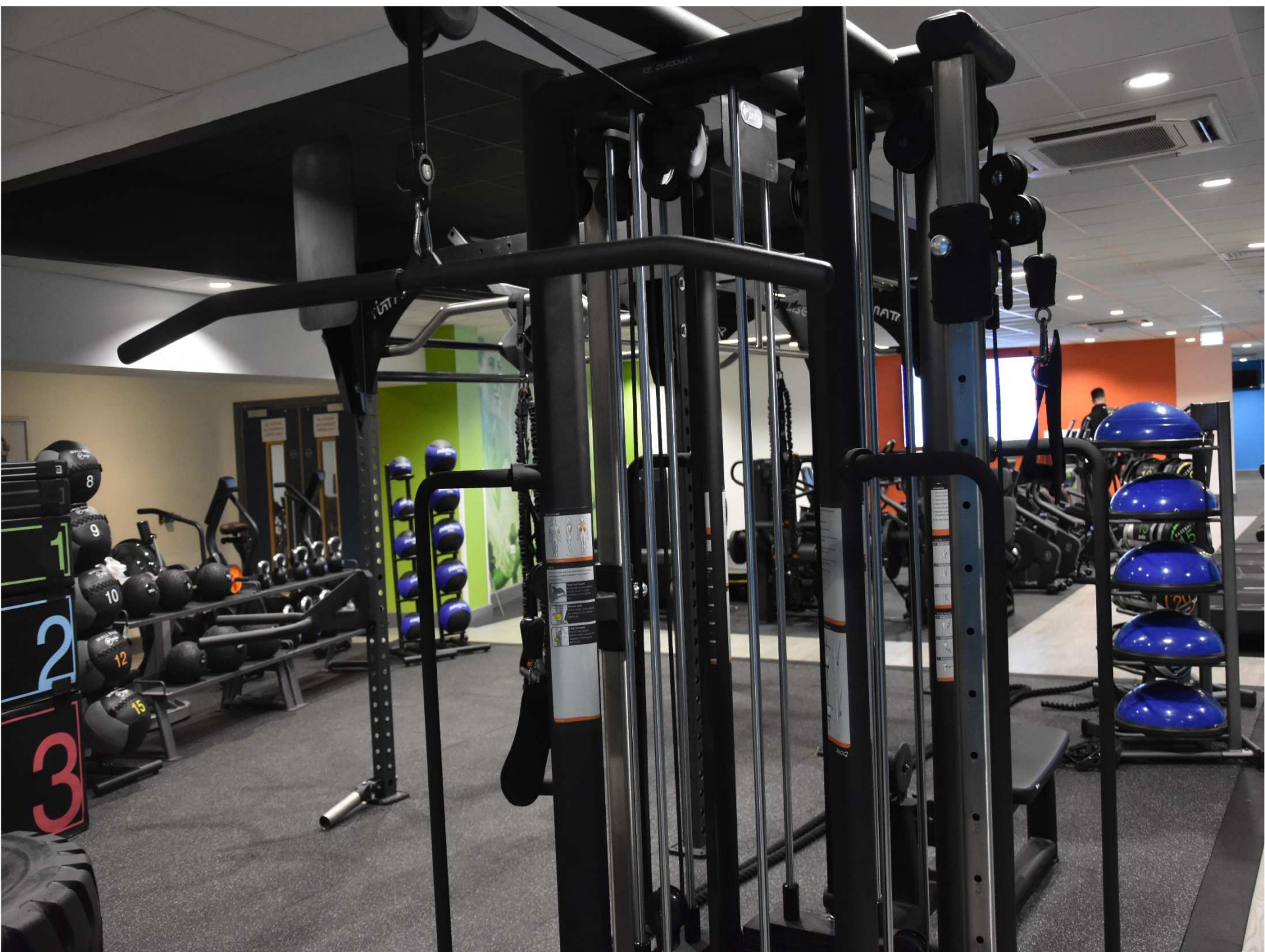
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## Go Active @ The Arc & Community Provision

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The recent gym refurb, cost implications of new equipment/removal of equipment and how this impacts on budgets

- ♦ 20 year Strategic Leisure Partnership with Pulse Fitness
- ♦ Gym equipment typically has a 5 year life cycle
- ♦ 5 year renewal programme is included in the Council's capital programme
- ♦ Gym refurb cost circa £430k including new flooring
- ♦ We have a 100 station gym which regularly reaches capacity during peak hours
- ♦ Depreciation of gym equipment is extremely high
- ♦ Between BDC and Pulse Fitness we assisted a not for profit community gym in Pinxton with replacement kit.















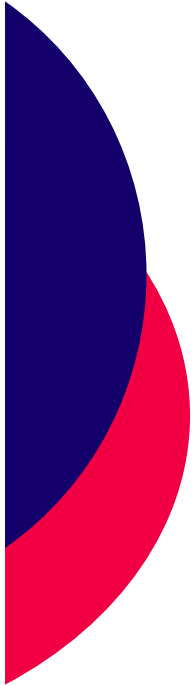


## Go Active @ The Arc & Community Provision

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Impact of Covid on budgets and long-term sustainability of provision @Arc compared to original business plan pre-pandemic inc. Membership options and partnership arrangements with Pulse

- ♦ Pandemic obviously impacted significantly on income budgets
- ♦ Offset by government grant
- ♦ Negligible impact on expenditure
- ♦ Extended Household memberships for the time that we were closed so customers didn't miss out
- ♦ Opened Household offer again in April 2022
- ♦ Renegotiated the Client Support Agreement with Pulse Fitness



## Go Active @ The Arc & Community Provision

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Access to provision across the District – how are we looking to increase provision outside of @Arc where public transport to Clowne does not exist

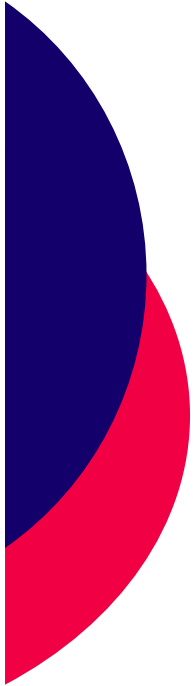
- ♦ Currently working with 14 sports clubs throughout the district on projects ranging from new pavilions to training and development of volunteers.
- ♦ Delivering the Health Referral programme from Welbeck Road surgery in Bolsover, Shirebrook Leisure Centre and Pinxton Community Gym.
- ♦ Delivering curriculum based physical activity in 13 primary/junior schools
- ♦ Providing holiday activities and food programmes in 5 areas on the District, targeting those most at need.
- ♦ Devised a programme in conjunction with colleagues in the Partnership team around rail safety and delivering in the 4 towns and villages with a train station.
- ♦ Also delivering youth distraction interventions in Bolsover supporting the CSP

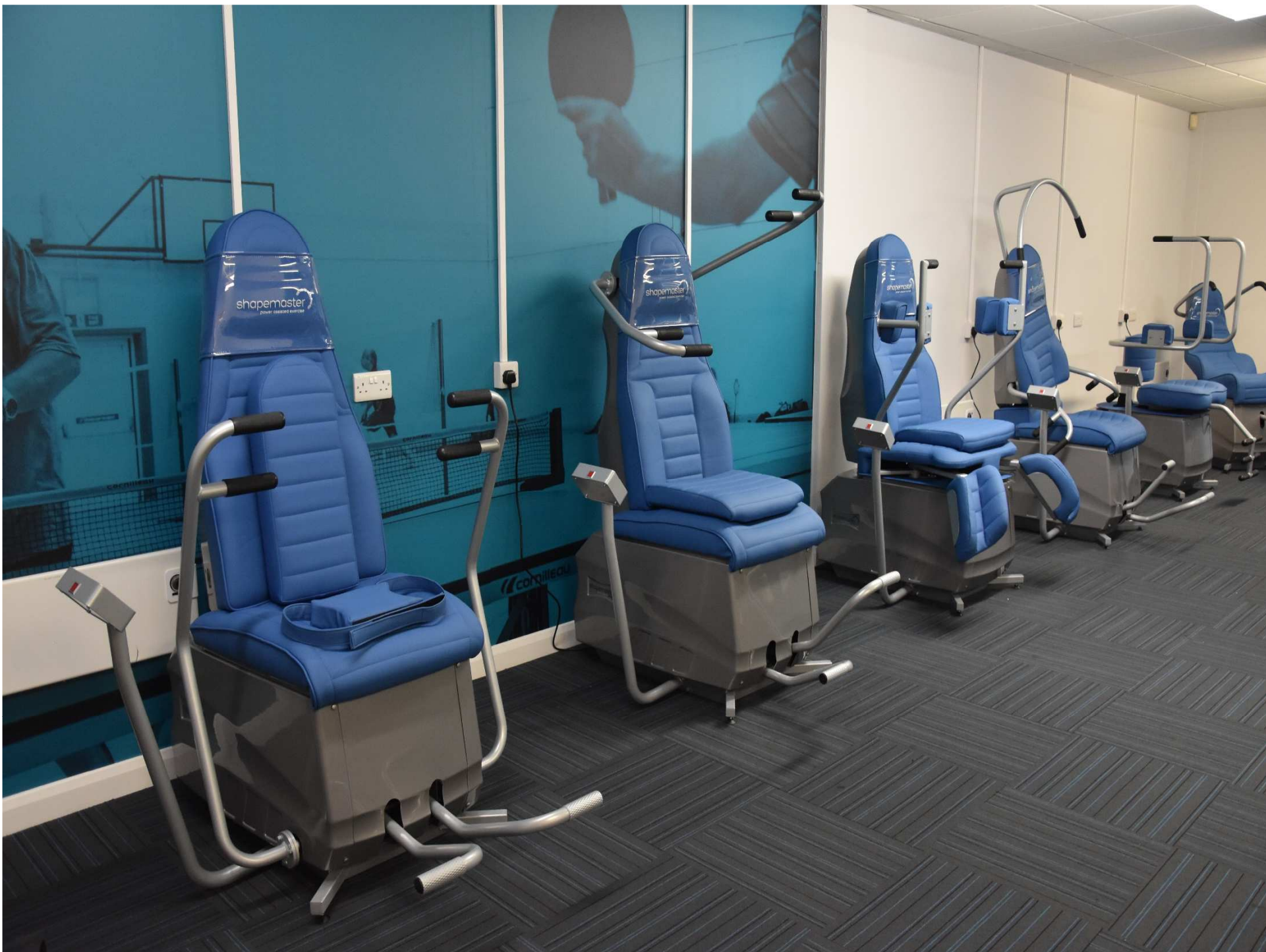
## Go Active @ The Arc & Community Provision

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Overall long-term development plans for @Arc and Community Provision

- ♦ Established a Wellness Hub at The Arc through Covid recovery funds
- ♦ Linked with Cardiac Phase III and Pulmonary Rehab
- ♦ Successful partnership funding with FF to create 3G pitch and then links with local clubs and Chesterfield FC
- ♦ Strong links with Bolsover SSP to continue and hopefully grow the school provision
- ♦ Secured funding through Covid recovery to employ a full time instructor at PVOAC to support manager to try and increase business, usage and income.
- ♦ Working with colleagues maximise opportunities through the Shared Prosperity Fund
- ♦ Look to secure dedicated website for PVOAC and Extreme Wheels









## **Bolsover District Council**

### **Meeting of the Climate Change & Communities Scrutiny Committee on 24 May 2022**

#### **Review of the Council's Policy on Fireworks – Executive Response**

#### **Report of the Chair of Climate Change & Communities Scrutiny Committee**

<b>Classification</b>	This report is Public
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#### **PURPOSE/SUMMARY OF REPORT**

- To present Executive's Response to the Review of Council's Policy on Fireworks to Climate Change & Communities Scrutiny Committee.

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#### **REPORT DETAILS**

##### **1. Background**

- 1.1 During the 2020-21 municipal year, Members of the Healthy, Safe, Clean & Green Communities Scrutiny Committee were made aware of a number of resident concerns in relation to the impact of firework use, both at specified celebrations such as Bonfire Night and New Year's Eve and inappropriate use throughout the year.
- 1.2 Following referrals from the Customer Standards & Complaints Officer and the Leader of the Council, Members chose to investigate further to establish what the Council could do to mitigate the impacts at a local level.
- 1.3 Members looked at action taken previously following a motion to Council and also compared the approach of Bolsover District Council (BDC) to that of other neighbouring authorities, including North East Derbyshire District Council (NEDDC) who have the joint Environmental Health Service with Bolsover. This is set out in section 5 of the attached appendix.

##### **2. Details of Proposal or Information**

- 2.1 This review was originally agreed by the previous Healthy, Safe, Clean and Green Communities Scrutiny Committee as part of their 2020-21 work programme. Following the change in scrutiny structure for 2021-22, the



Members of the new Committee agreed to carry this work forward with a view to clarifying the Council's stance and addressing residents' concerns previously identified.

2.2 While the Committee have taken the review forward in a slightly different manner to that originally agreed, the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on service delivery has instigated the need for a different approach.

2.3 Members feel the evidence considered in the subsequent pages and the recommendations agreed by Scrutiny should bring about further improvements at a local level, while we await further changes to national legislation as a result of continued lobbying.

2.4 The aim of the review was:

- To assess the local impact of fireworks and review local Council policy.

The objectives agreed were:

- Review the previous motion adopted by Council in 2019 and the action completed to date.
- Assess the scale of the local environmental impact via consultation with both residents and local agencies/groups.
- Assess the scope for a local level policy and the enforcement that could take place in addition, to the potential for additional lobbying/impact at a national level.

2.5 The key issues identified for investigation were as follows:

- A number of complaints/comments are received per annum from residents in relation to the use of such items and the environmental damage caused. All communications received refer to the national campaigns. Is it possible to establish evidence of the scale of the issue at a District level using data held by environmental health and legal services?
- The Council has previously approved a motion submitted and completed a range of agreed activity – what has been the effect of this?
- Further debate at a national level has not yet resulted in a change to national policy/legislation in regards to the noise levels of fireworks sold to the public and used at displays – this is a key element of various national campaigns by organisations such as RSPCA. What action can be taken at a local level in relation to licensing and sales, and encouraging use of low dB or silent fireworks?
- Is there an impact on the Dog Warden service in October/November as a result of lost dogs due to fireworks?

2.6 The Committee put together four recommendations which will hopefully assist the Council in improving regulation of local firework displays and enforcement against misuse of fireworks.

### **3. Reasons for Recommendation**

- 3.1 Members are required to make their report and findings public, in accordance with Part 4.5.17(4) of the Constitution.
- 3.2 Committee is required to monitor implementation of their recommendations in accordance with Part 3.6(1) of the Constitution.
- 3.3 Members must note Executive's response to the review recommendations and agree to review progress on the approved recommendations. A progress report will be submitted in twelve months' time, with any exceptions to expected delivery highlighted.

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

- 4.1 Committee is required to monitor implementation of their recommendations in accordance with Part 3.6(1) of the Constitution and as such the report cannot be rejected.

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### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

- 6.1 That Members note Executive's Response to the Review of the Council's Policy on Fireworks.
- 6.2 That Members make its report and findings public, in accordance with Part 4.5.17(4) of the Constitution.
- 6.3 That Officers monitor progress on the recommendations and report in six and twelve months' time highlighting exceptions to delivery, in accordance with Part 3.6(1) of the Constitution.

Approved by Executive

#### **IMPLICATIONS:**

**Finance and Risk:**            Yes ☐            No ☒

**Details:** None from this report. Suggested action for the service can be contained within existing budgets.

On behalf of the Section 151 Officer

**Legal (including Data Protection):**            Yes ☒            No ☐

**Details:**

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 to/amended these powers e.g. the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007.

On behalf of the Solicitor to the Council

**Staffing:** Yes ☐ No ☒

**Details:** None from this report.

On behalf of the Head of Paid Service

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<b>Links to Council Ambition: Customers, Economy and Environment.</b>
Ambition: Environment

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EXECUTIVE RESPONSE TO RECOMMENDATIONS OF SCRUTINY REVIEW			
<b>Title of Review:</b>	Review of Council Policy on Fireworks		
<b>Timescale of Review:</b>	December 2020 – December 2021	<b>Post-Monitoring Period:</b>	12 months commencing April 2022. Interim report due September 2022.
<b>Date agreed by Scrutiny:</b>	February 2022	<b>Date agreed by Executive:</b>	April 2022

PERFORM Code	Recommendation	Desired Outcome	Target Date	Lead Officer	Resources	Service Response	Executive Response
59	CCCSC20-22 1.1	That BDC adopt a Firework & Bonfire Event Voluntary Registration Scheme, to align our approach with neighbouring areas and provide consistency of approach to Derbyshire Fire & Rescue Service.	June 2022	Assistant Director Environmental Health;  Joint Environmental Health Manager (Commercial & Environment)	Officer time  Approval of Executive	Report to be submitted for next available cabinet and implemented thereafter. Systems and process adopted from NEDDC existing arrangements require minimal work to replicate.	Recommendation Approved.
	CCCSC20-22 1.2	Improved provision of information on BDC website.  Alignment of the approach of the service reducing duplication of workload.  Adoption of Registration	June 2022	Assistant Director Environmental Health;  Joint Environmental Health Manager (Commercial & Environment);  Communications, Marketing and Design Manager	Officer time	Website to be updated in readiness for the scheme going live	Recommendation Approved.

PERFORM Code	Recommendation	Desired Outcome	Target Date	Lead Officer	Resources	Service Response	Executive Response
		Scheme will require a refresh of existing information.					
CCCSC20-22 1.3	That BDC writes a follow-up letter to the Government further lobbying for change to legislation	Further lobbying for change due to in-action by Government following parliament debate.	April 2022	Portfolio Holder for Environmental Health;  Governance Manager	Officer time	This can be completed pending approval by Executive. In light of current staff vacancies this may be actioned by the Scrutiny & Elections Officer in conjunction with the Portfolio Holder.	Recommendation Approved.
CCCSC20-22 1.4	That the Enforcement Team investigates the possibility of operating under a Community Safety Accreditation Scheme in relation to firework misuse, enabling enforcement powers similar to the Police.	Improved local enforcement powers in relation to firework misuse.	September 2022	Assistant Director Housing Management & Enforcement	Officer time	This has previously been explored as a development/enforcement option in January 2020, pre-covid, in conjunction with the now Director of Resources. At the time Derbyshire Police agreed to consider our request for accreditation, however due to the pandemic this has not been progressed further. We have made contact with the Police again who have indicated they will explore this further. We will continue to	Recommendation Approved.



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						explore the possibility of such a scheme if the Committee recommends this, although this is subject to the Police granting the Council additional powers.	