

Growth Strategy Action Plan: Building Back Better					June 2023
Project	Description	Ambition	Recent Actions	Next Steps	Target Date
Community Woodlands	This project is aligned with the nature recovery network and both aim to promote 'building back better'.	Ambition to plant 1,000,000 trees	This project is now in the second year of planting with over 9,000 trees planted on Larks Rise in Creswell (former Creswell Colliery tip site)... Other projects continue to be planted. This winter's planting has included Whitwell Community Orchard, Clowne villa Park and in South Normanton	Following the winter planting season, work will start on more community engagement and developing a planting strategy for 2023/24 season.	Review September 2023
Local NO2 Plan – Air Quality	An allocation of funding has been awarded to the local authority on the back of the ministerial direction for the reduction of NO2 emissions across the district.	To reduce the NO2 emissions and improve overall air quality for the district.	No delivery to date, as the funding award was only confirmed in May 2022.	Environmental Health to confirm the delivery arrangements for the administration of the grant. Themes include: provision of alternative travel infrastructure; sustainable transport; and communication and engagements.	April 2024
Geothermal Energy	Utilising mine-water to produce energy savings	Implement mine water energy schemes to make use of geothermal energy at Creswell and Whitwell tip	£25,000 of external funding has been obtained to carry out a high level feasibility study for both Creswell and Whitwell and this has now been supplemented by an award of up to £800,000 from the LEP (D2N2) for a prototype scheme using a closed loop system in an open shaft.	University of Derby has been commissioned to complete a study to look at integrating the geothermal energy in to the housing scheme in Creswell.	Review March 2023
Nature Recovery Network	To create a network of sites which can be improved back to nature to offset the impact of future developments	To create places for nature paid for by developer contributions and third party funding.	A Local Nature Recovery Summit was held on 10 February, engaging stakeholders and agree priorities and pledges for action.	Delivery of 4 council pledges, including Dragonfly exploring opportunities to acquire land to build up the Network.	Review September 2023