



AGENDA ITEM NO. 09

Henbury, Brentry & Southmead Neighbourhood Partnership Tuesday 8th December 2015

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Title: Henbury & Southmead NP Plan Update Report

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Recommendations

- 1 The NP to note the updates(in bold), completed actions and proposed actions, linked to the Delivery Plan in **Item 1**
2. The NP to note the key updates, recommendations and decisions requested at the following sections of Item 1:
 - 1.5a: proposal to hold a Governance development event
 - 2.1: update on Brentry Lodge use and proposal to hold a community buildings event
 - 2.4b: proposal to hold the Assets of Community Value listing event in Spring 2016
 - 3.1c: proposal to set up a small group to meet with LPW re: youth involvement and young people's service delivery in H, B &S
 - 3.5a: update on successful launch on North Bristol Parent Carers Group, funded by Wellbeing Grant
 - 4.1a: information (and invitation to participate) in H&B parks priorities group – and funding opportunities for Parks from BCC – in particular for access improvements
 - 6.3: update on Dunmail site housing development (App 2)
3. The NP to note the cancellation of Mayoral Visit to our NP on 19th November and intention to re-arrange (**Item 2**)
4. The NP notes the update on the 2nd Citywide Neighbourhood Partnership Event on 24th October and the strong role played by our NP in it. **Item 3**
5. The NP considers the NP Communication outline at Appendix 1 (**Item 5**)
6. The NP notes the new SUDs scheme at Embleton Road, Southmead (App 3) and potential for further improvements (**Item 6**)

7. The NP notes the various consultations currently running and information on how to feed into them, in particular the VCS Grant Funding proposals and the Henbury Station Consultation (**Item 7**)

6. The NP notes the consultation schedule for the pre-planning work for the Bristol Arena and the opportunities to influence set out in Item 5, in particular whether the NP wants to send representatives to the any of the events.

1. NP Plan Updates

(See Draft NP Plan Delivery Schedule at Appendix 1)

1. Theme: Active Citizenship, Equalities and Community Cohesion

Activity/Description	Cost to date £	Update
1.1 Priority 1 : Support local residents to set up more local events and activities which bring residents together		
a. Have NP stall to deliver consultation at key community events: Southmead Festival & H&BCC Fun Day		NP contributing to Southmead Community Plan catch-up 30 th November; and to 24 th October Henbury and Brentry Community Action Plan conference
Set as Priority for NP Wellbeing Fund 2015/16 – advertise Wellbeing Fund widely		Will deliver poster campaign to raise awareness of the fund for final round of 2016/17;
1.2 Develop a Communication plan and deliver improved communication between service providers and the community,		
a. Work with Southmead Community Plan and Henbury/Brentry to bring together key community groups/residents to develop a Communication Plan which links NP communication with existing networks and identifies clear improvements and actions incorporate into NP Plan		NPC held initial meeting on Southmead Communication Plan on 10 th November. This created a draft Stage 1 programme until Easter 2016. The focus will be on delivering notice boards, a new website, database and app which can link to every group and activity in Southmead. SDT has successfully employed a Communication Worker to support this work with Funding from the Fourteen Fund (and NP Wellbeing for the database)

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		Communication work is also set out in the draft Henbury/Brentry Community Plan. Joint work between both communities can be developed to cross-fertilise ideas and share resources where possible. This can also link to the emerging NP Communication Outline which has been moulded by the Citywide Conference. See Appendix 1
1.3 Support the development of a Community Plan in Henbury/Brentry		
a. Support H&BCC to set up meeting to shape application for First Steps support from Community Development Foundation to follow on from Community First programme in Henbury/Brentry.		NP Co-ordinator and Neighbourhood Officer has supported the Community Plan Steering Group in H&B – also Councillor Mark Weston; Community Action Plan Conference on 24th October has produced content from survey and conference into Draft Community Plan which has been submitted to First Steps, the funding programme. Deadline for final plan is 29th February 2016 with submission for sign off on 31st March 2016
b. negotiate what support the NP offers with H&BCC to report back to NP for approval at July NP and deliver agreed work programme		NP Co-ordinator has written on chapter of draft Plan; will work with Steering Group to deliver input from service providers and potential future support for delivery of elements of the Plan.
1.4 Support residents to influence decisions and service provision through the NP, in particular to increase the engagement of minority or more marginalised communities		
1.5 Review membership structure of the NP in light of new boundaries to ensure residents and community groups are well represented		
a. Set NP Governance meeting to consider NP membership recommendations and Sub-Group structures to take to December NP at latest		NPC proposes to hold Governance development meetings between July – October 2015 to develop: NP Terms of Reference; NP membership and Equalities work action plan; Also recommend refining delivery programme for NP Plan See Governance work in Delivery Schedule – following City-wide Conference. NPC proposes that NP holds a Saturday

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		NP development event in January 2016 to look at Governance development and engagement work. Task Group suggested to plan.
1.6 Develop an Equalities Action Plan as part of the NP Plan – to be agreed at the June NP 2015 (include Community Cohesion)		
a. Hold NP Equalities learning event April 2015 to produce Equalities Vision and activities plan to bring to NP AGM meeting for approval and inclusion into NP Plan		Training held 11 th May. Development of Equalities Champions within the Partnership proposed. Follow up work proposed in NP Development event, January 2016, see above

2. Theme: Community buildings and facilities

Description of works	Est cost	Update
2.1 Bring together Bristol City Council, community groups and residents to explore options on how meet the need for improved community space in Henbury/Brentry – link to BCC Library review		
a. a. Hold an exploratory event with all key partners to look at the demand and opportunities to improve community space provision in Henbury/Brentry		<p>NPC proposes meeting in September 2015 Meeting now re-scheduled to follow Citywide NP Conference 24th October & H&B Comm Plan Conference</p> <p>Conference held workshop on Community Centre provision. Subsequent to the Conference BCC have decided that Brentry Lodge is still required as a venue to deliver alternative education so will not a. be available for Community Asset Transfer or b. potential sale.</p> <p>In the short term, the building will be occupied by Property Guardians, who will live in it to help secure</p>

		<p>it from further vandalism, squatting, etc.</p> <p>I understand that council officers in the Education Capital team will be dealing with the feasibility study and any necessary works to the building.</p> <p>Once the works have been completed and the Guardians have moved out, it should be possible to consider if some storage space for the H&BCC can be included.</p> <p>This alters the options open to Henbury/Brentry. Propose that the NP co-ordinates an event in February to support Henbury/Brentry to consider options to take its aspirations forward in short, medium and longer term.</p>
2.3 Support funding bids to bring in funds to improve Community Facilities in Southmead & Henbury/Brentry		
a. influencing BCC to support through financial investment from sale of land and co-location of services to support sustainability of buildings		<p>NPC is developing summary of City-wide issues from all NP Plans which focus on requests for BCC support to use BCC assets to support community aspirations. Will be used to influence Senior Leadership Team within BCC. Henbury/Brentry & Southmead aspirations will be included Summary completed and will be responded to at the NP Citywide Conference. NPC will bring forward more information when it becomes available.</p>
2.4 Support local residents to understand and use powers available to them such as Community Asset Transfer; Community Right to Buy		
<p>a. Share information about powers available to communities at all Forums</p> <p>b. hold an 'Assets of Community Value' listing event in each ward to identify key sites to support Community Right to Bid</p>		<p>NPC proposes that this worked is planned alongside BS10 Parks & Planning Group to take place in Autumn 2015 See Delivery Schedule</p> <p>NPC proposes moving this to Spring time in</p>

		collaboration with BS10 Parks and Planning.
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3. Themes: Families, younger & older people.

Description of works	Est cost	Update
3.1 Increase activities and events for young people		
c. influence the development and delivery of LPW services and other young people's activities		NPC proposes to set up meeting with Learning Partnership West – Sept/October 2015 Recommend a small group to meet with LPW outside the NP to explore future of delivery.
3.2 Support activities which reduce isolation and increase social activities for older people		
c. explore potential to grow the RSVP volunteer programme in H/B & S to support older people		NPC proposes to explore with Bristol Ageing Better and report back to September NP See re-scheduled suggested work with BAB – February 2016
3.3 Support activities which provide social and recreational events for families		
b. support development of FAST and FAST Friends programmes in all NP primary schools		NPC proposes to explore with schools from September – beginning in Southmead, then Henbury/Brentry included in Delivery Schedule NPC starting this work with Cllr Brenda Massey to develop approach engaging residents and schools in conversation
c. Explore delivery of Playing Out/street events in Henbury/Brentry/Southmead		Playing Out programme featured at Southmead Forum 18 th June. Proposed to move to 2016 delivery for Spring Summer Playing Out is exploring starting at 20 Acres in Southmead to build on the engagement of the Green Capital growing project. Linked into key local residents by Community Development colleagues
3.5 Support activities which provide social and recreational events for families: increase support for parents with		

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disabled children		
<p>a. establish existing levels of support and how they work and gaps</p> <p>b. develop work to meet identified needs which has greatest impact and influence changes to existing provision and support development of any additional support</p>		<p>The first session of the North group Parent Carers took place on Wednesday 18th November. April Retter, Community Development reports;</p> <p>‘4 new Parents attended, in addition to 3 existing ones. They were welcomed by John and Tanya, organisers of the session who had prepared the venue and refreshments and a craft activity, the session was supported by Volunteers from Bristol Parent Carers and the carers support centre. The Reiki therapist was busy providing taster sessions for parents and the atmosphere was relaxing and friendly – a very successful and welcoming first session; one new local parent said “ these sessions have come just at the right time for me as my son has recently been diagnosed as Autistic” .</p> <p>I thought it was a great first session and think John and Tanya should be congratulated on their achievement, I expect due to its’ location it will grow, providing space for parents to de-stress and support each other, whilst getting the information and advice they want.’</p>
3.6 Increase the influence of young people on NP activities and show how they have influenced the final product		
<p>a. influence development of Youth Forum within H/B & S and link with Mayor’s Youth reps to agree way of increasing</p>		<p>NPC proposes to develop this work – preferably with several NP members – from September 2015 Re-scheduled to December/January 2016 in Delivery</p>

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yp influence on neighbourhood development		Schedule Recommend a small group to meet with LPW outside the NP to explore future of delivery.

4. Environment: Streetscene; Parks & Open Spaces; Green Capital

Description of works	Est cost	Update
Streetscene: 4.1 Launch the ‘Be Proud of BS10’ ‘litter/dog mess reduction campaign’ with the local residents and agencies and track impact and what works		
		
a. Design Launch of the Be Proud of BS10 campaign - Engage schools, residents and local groups through Green Capital Arts project to support action on improved streets		Initial launch phase of Be Proud of BS10 reviewed – further programme will be developed in January at joint SEA and SEARCH meeting- linking into what Streetscene Enforcement could deliver to support enforcement aspects.
		Make Some Noise about Litter Green Capital Arts programme launched officially Sunday 115th November at Henbury Centre. 400 young people engaged across 7 schools. 18 decorated, musical bins installed across Henbury/Brentry & Southmead and ‘bin trail’ leaflet produced – copies available at NP meeting. Be Proud of BS10 logo and messaging promoted throughout this project.
4.4 Support work of SEARCH & SEA groups to improve streetscene and environment through walkabouts and campaigns		

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a. support residents to deliver streetscene and environment improvements across the NP area		Paul Griffiths, the NO, has continued to work with both groups over the last 3 months
Parks & Open Spaces: 4. 1 Develop Parks/Open spaces priorities across Henbury/Brentry and review Southmead Parks/Open spaces priorities: identify priority locations for spend of existing NP Section 106 funds/CIL funds		
a. Set Parks Priorities Review meeting to identify aspirations for Henbury/Brentry parks/open spaces: - - identify use of current and likely NP S106/CIL funding - make recommendations to July 2015 NP meeting		Key priority action for NPC and NO in next period. Aim to produce report for December 2015 NP. September NP is too close to the summer holidays to deliver See Delivery Schedule Neighbourhood Officer has set first Steering group meeting for early December 2015 and engagement plan to deliver priorities for April 2016. Funding opportunities within Bristol City Council are emerging which can support priorities coming out of the plan.
Green Capital 4.1 NP holds a ‘Learning from Green Capital good practice’ event to identify what work has taken place on our area and how effective practice can be taken forward for the future		
a. set up a ‘Green Capital Learning’ event towards end of Green Capital year/early 2016; explore if other North NPs want to do jointly to take forward effective practice into NP plans		Still being explored with Neighbourhood Management Team – talking to Green Capital team. NPC proposes inviting all the Green Capital Projects funded by NP to present to September & December NPs Won’t be all – inviting key ones – included in September and December NP agenda

5. Traffic and transport – Keep Bristol Moving: Improve Problem Parking; Influencing how new Sth Glos

neighbourhoods impact on our NP area; supporting residents to influence Public Transport services; Deliver better Highways infrastructure

Description of works	Est cost	Update
Improve Problem Parking: 5.2 Deliver improvements to Parking problems arising from Southmead Hospital developments		
<p>a. Focus on improvements to Parking problems arising from Southmead Hospital developments: regular enforcement; communication with residents and improvement with Southmead Hospital</p>		<p>See Business Report for update on Parking measures being developed.</p> <p>Education/Enforcement work: - November 2015: 2 events were delivered. The focus of the events was raising awareness of issues problem parking can cause by putting leaflets from both police and fire and rescue on cars. Parking services were not involved at this stage.</p> <p>- The Police, PCSO and Neighbourhood Officer visited the following streets:</p> <p>Southmead: Felstead Road; Shetland Road; Lydney Road; Coleford Road</p> <p>Horfield: Seagry Close; Cherrington Close; Maskelyne Avenue; Butterfield Road; Tilling Road; Bishopthorpe Avenue; Cordwell Walk; Kingsholm Road</p> <p>- Enforcement was not the priority but where exceptionally bad examples were found they received tickets</p> <p>- took place one morning, one evening</p> <p>- In total around 300 leaflets were placed on cars in the area highlight issues with parking</p>

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		<p>- 5 tickets issued</p> <p>Next steps are to make some posters about responsible parking and share in the community and hospital followed up by another operation mid December with more of an enforcement focus. One further date is planned for January 2016.</p>
<p>Influencing how new Sth Glos neighbourhoods impact on our NP area</p> <p>5.1 Deliver routes through which local residents/businesses and organisations to influence the delivery of highways/transport schemes arising from the South Gloucestershire New Neighbourhoods north of the Bristol boundary</p>		
<p>a. agree a schedule of key decisions/dates which shape highways design with City Transport and programme of events to inform/enable influencing by NP residents</p> <p>b. Design and deliver events programme alongside BS10 Group and track impact on schemes delivered and resident satisfaction</p>		<p>Discussed with BCC Transport; A schedule could be available early 2016, when a realistic potential date for a public meeting can be scheduled and we can work with BS10 Parks and Planning towards delivering that.</p>
<p>Supporting residents to influence Public Transport services</p> <p>5.1 Keep community informed and enable them to influence the introduction of a Henbury Loop rail service</p>		
<p>a. Design and deliver events programme alongside BS10 Group & Traffic/Transport group and track impact</p>		<p>Update will be delivered to NP meeting by local Councillors to report back on Full Council meeting action; See Business Report for information shared in Traffic and Transport Group on 4th November. NPCo-ordinator waiting for Station consultation information to distribute.</p>
<p>5.2 Create opportunities for the community to influence the development of transport services to access</p>		

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employment, leisure and community services (bus, cycle, road, rail) ('community bus service')		
a. Work with Henbury & Brentry Community Council to negotiate with Aldi potential continued funding support to the Aldi Community Transport service for older people		H&BCC taking lead on contacting Aldi management – NP has offered support with any subsequent negotiations
5.3 Provide opportunities for residents to influence service improvements on public transport: o 508; o 520/18 service; 76 and others which arise		
a. Invite First Bus & BCC Passenger Transport to relevant Neighbourhood Forums to influence and link into BCC service review		Issue with no. 1 bus service from both Wessex and First Bus covering similar routes in competition and problems using tickets from service to the other. Possible issue to take to Neighbourhood Forums
Deliver better Highways infrastructure		
5.1 Deliver agreed identified Local Traffic Scheme & S106 improvements:		
a. Delivery of Knole Lane Crossing (S106)		Delivered
b. Delivery of two Doncaster Road Crossing schemes		Consultation completed. Scheme scheduled to be delivered by May 2016
c. Agree and deliver the S106 Swanmoor/ Brentry/Charlton junction improvement scheme		Brentry consultation ends 26th July – concerns about potential noise; preferring speed humps; Delivery – team will do all in one go – scheduled for Sept 2015 (subject to TRO) Delivery completed. See Business Report for problem which has emerged around Okebourne Road speed table funding approved by Investing in Bristol's Future Fund and proposed action to resolve.
d. Consider improvements to the Henbury Road/Crow Lane junction recommended in report		Considered at 4th November Traffic/Transport Group – recommendation in Business Report to take forward in fuller study in preparation for

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		prioritisation meeting in February 2016.
e. identify 2017 local traffic scheme for delivery f. deliver identified minor traffic works and signing and lining work		Traffic/Transport Group prioritisation meeting in February 2016 to bring recommendations to March 2016 NP meeting
g. Pen Park/Charlton Road crossing improvements		delivered
h. influencing improvements of poor/unstable road surfaces: Doncaster Road, Southmead		Highways Maintenance will co-ordinate the 'crack and seat' treatment to Doncaster Road around the installation of the two crossings
5.2 Improve parking at Crow Lane Shops		
a. maximise parking improvements which 20mph scheme delivers at Crow Lane shops		See Business Report for recommended request for Highways to develop options on use of verges opposite the shops for February prioritisation meeting

6. Housing, Planning and major projects

Description of works	Est cost	Update
6.1 Support the work of the BS10 Parks and Planning Group to engage residents and developers in constructive dialogue on new developments in the NP area		
b. Develop a clear 'working protocol' setting out how the working relationship between the NP and the BS10 Group		NPC setting up meeting with BS10 Group to produce – to being to September NP See Delivery Plan Delayed to December/January meeting of BS10 Group
6.3 Work with the Southmead Community Plan delivery team to help develop the housing actions in the Plan		

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a. work closely with the BS10 Group to help residents stay informed and influence the development of the Dunmail site in Southmead		Announcement made on Friday 20 th November by the Mayor: “The council is selling the land to housing association United Communities, who in partnership with Kevin McCloud's development company HAB Housing, plan to build a mixed tenure development of 150 properties, with one third affordable housing.” See full Press Release statement at Appendix 2

7. Health & Wellbeing

Description of works	Est cost	Update
7.1 Support projects and activities which enable local people to improve their health and access support services effectively		
a. continue links with ‘Long Live Southmead’ Health Promotion work – annual update to NP		NPC proposes invitation to September NP to update Recommend to December 2015 NP meeting – ask to March 2016 NP meeting (Agenda too full for December).
b. Set up a ‘Health and Wellbeing’ event in Henbury/Brentry to develop ways of improving support for residents in Henbury/Brentry around health and wellbeing		September update on Long Live Southmead can help shape planning for the Henbury/Brentry event in Spring/Summer 2016 Start development in January to follow from Henbury/Brentry Community Plan

8. Crime and Community Safety

Description of works	Est cost	Update
8.2 Anti-Social Behaviour: To use Forums to identify Anti-Social Behaviour to task Police and agencies to address community concerns and report back		
a. report via Forums as issues arise		Continuation of Arson incidents: This has prompted a joint piece of work between Police and Fire Service; they've identified a pattern but not yet perpetrators – there have been no reports in recent weeks but this project will continue and report back to Forums and the NP

9. June Neighbourhood Forums

Neighbourhood Forum	Update
Southmead – Thurs 12 th November	Will be tabled at NP meeting
Henbury/Brentry – Weds 18 th November	Will be tabled at NP meeting
Reports from both Forums are posted at: www.bristol.gov.uk/page/council-and-democracy/henbury-and-southmead-neighbourhood-forums	

2. Mayoral Visit to Henbury, Brentry & Southmead NP: Thursday 19th November 11.00am – 3.00pm.

2.1. This Visit was cancelled because the Mayor was unable to attend because of other engagements.

2.2 The Neighbourhood Partnership Co-ordinator has requested the Mayor's Office for alternative dates and is waiting for their proposals.

3. The 2nd Citywide Neighbourhood Partnership Event 24th October 2015 at the M Shed

3.1. Henbury, Brentry and Southmead Neighbourhood Partnership took leading roles at the Citywide NP Event on 24th October. Ian Thornley chaired the event and Deana Perry and Tenna Blundell led a very popular workshop alongside Mark Pepper from Lawrence Weston and Keith Houghton on Community Plans.

3.2. Deana Perry has volunteered to present a radio piece on Bristol Community FM's One Love Breakfast Show about our NP.

3.3 Over 80 people took place in the Conference, energetic discussions took place covering many subjects, such as Street Scene and Environmental Activists, Community Plans, Communications, Community Charter (a very lively debate with the general consensus that they would be a great idea for Bristol City Council), and youth inclusion which was led by young people.

A full report will be written once the evaluation surveys have been returned and the working group have met mid-December.

3.4 The Neighbourhood Partnership Co-ordinator has written a piece on the role of Henbury, Brentry and Southmead Neighbourhood Partnership in supporting Community Plans for Voscur's Thrive magazine based on some of the questions and discussion at the Community Plans workshop

4. Influencing Parks Grounds Maintenance Contract

4.1. The NP may recall that our Partnership did some preliminary work on this last year, but that Parks were not ready to take it forward because they had to focus on taking all the services on in-house.

4.2 This piece of work hasn't been progressed since the September meeting – it can take place in Henbury Brentry through the Parks Prioritisation Steering Group over the New Year. BS10 Parks and Planning could be approached to explore if they would want to host a Southmead focused discussion.

5. Neighbourhood Partnerships Communication – Citywide and Local ideas: for consideration

5.1 In addition to the Communication work which is taking place in Southmead and Henbury/Brentry the Conference held a workshop on communication and the links between central, citywide support for NPs and local NP communication activity. #

5.2 An outline of how the Citywide and local aspects of communication can work together is attached at **Appendix 1**

5.3 The NP is asked to comment on the general shape of this working relationship and a. to feedback any comments/amendments and b. to develop its Communication work (linked to the local area Community Plan communication work) to reflect this outline plan.

6. New Southmead Sustainable Drainage Scheme: Embleton Road

6.1 A new Sustainable Drainage Scheme (SUDS) is being installed in Embleton Road, Southmead by BCC and Sustrans. This is a scheme to manage water flow to reduce flooding risk.

6.2 Residents in Embleton have been consulted and were all favourable. Little Mead School have taken part and a series of workshops will be taking place there after Christmas to develop leaf motifs artwork to include in the scheme. Information boards/banners will be attached to fencing during construction, communicating the purpose of SuDS, and the Embleton Rd design process.

6.3 Essentially the work will create deep water drainage/filtration in the street 'pods', with planting sitting over the top. Construction and landscaping will take place from early January to April. Flood Management are warning that initially they will create some disruption and won't immediately look great until the planting establishes.

6.4 This is a pilot scheme – its impact on flooding and 'street appeal' will be measured. It could hopefully lead to BCC being able to find funding for other potential schemes in Southmead. This links to the Dunmail site, which will also include sustainable drainage. The greatest impact would be a scheme in Arneside shopping area, which would, of course, be considerably more costly.

6.5 The scheme is illustrated at **Appendix 3**

7. Consultations

7.1 **Consulting on a proposed new approach to Voluntary & Community Sector Grant Funding**

- The Council currently invests over £18m in the voluntary and community sector (VCS) each year through grants, rate relief and reduced rents and leases on council-owned buildings.
- People from the council and the VCS have agreed that we need to focus the council's grant investment on tackling disadvantage in the city and we believe that by having a clear focus and by working better together, we can use this money more strategically and have a far bigger impact. We have worked together to design a new approach to grant funding. This will align up to £5m of revenue grant funding to make it work better for the people who need it most.
- We are consulting on the proposed new approach from **16th November 2015** until **15th February 2016**. Our consultation will be with local voluntary and community sector organisations and other interested parties. Information and a link to the consultation is available from the council's consultation finder: <https://bristol.citizenspace.com/>

7.2 South Gloucestershire Cribbs Patchway New Neighbourhood and other relevant developments

Henbury Rail Station Consultation

- The consultation for Henbury rail station location starts on **November 30 2015** and lasts until **25 January 2016**
- There are two exhibitions on:

- **Thursday 3 December 2015**
- **Wednesday 9 December 2015**

At Henbury Library, Crow Lane, Henbury, Bristol BS10 7DR
from 2pm until 7pm

- Further information and the consultation questionnaire can be accessed at: www.travelwest.info/metrowest
- If you would rather complete a hard copy, you can contact Metrowest through the website or write to:

0117 903 6868
MetroWest Phase 2: Henbury station location consultation
Engine Shed, Station Approach, Temple Meads
Bristol BS1 6QH.

Consultation on the Cribbs Patchway MetroBus Extension (CPME)

- Travelwest are also consulting on proposals for the Cribbs Patchway MetroBus Extension (CPME). Background information on the CPME can be here: www.travelwest.info/metrobus/extension
- The CPME is a planned extension of the North Fringe to Hengrove Package MetroBus route that you may have already heard of. Background information about MetroBus is available at <http://travelwest.info/metrobus>
- Public consultation on the CPME proposals start **Friday, 27th November until Friday, 15th January 2016**
- The Cribbs Patchway MetroBus Extension will help reduce increased traffic levels caused by the proposed Cribbs Patchway New Neighbourhood on the former Filton Airfield. The extension will form a part of the North Fringe to Hengrove Package MetroBus route and provide a direct route between Parkway railway station and The Mall, via the Cribbs Patchway New Neighbourhood.

Consultation on South Gloucestershire Local Plan: Policies, Sites and Places Plan - Regulation 18 Consultation

- South Gloucestershire need to take steps to ensure more homes are built in South Gloucestershire over the next 5 years that meet people's needs. This is in order to meet Government policy that requires the Council has sufficient housing for the next 5 years.
- Currently the shortfall is around 1,500 dwellings which needs to be delivered over the next 5 years. The PSP Plan cannot be progressed while this shortfall remains, therefore this consultation document sets out the process by which the Council will aim to address it. Reasons as to why this shortfall has arisen are set out in the consultation paper.
- To comment on Sth Glos proposals to find sites for an additional 1,500 dwellings go to: www.southglos.gov.uk/PSPconsultation

7.3 Joint Spatial Plan and Joint Transport Study

- The four local authorities in the West of England are seeking the views of local communities in drawing up a plan to steer new housing and jobs growth over the next 20 years. The Joint Spatial Plan being prepared by Bath and North East Somerset, Bristol City, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire Councils will identify:

- the amount and broad locations of new homes and employment land to be planned for up to 2036;
- the transport and other essential infrastructure that will be required to support housing and jobs growth.
- To begin the process of involvement the Councils are consulting on the Joint Spatial Plan Issues and Options document.
- To inform the Joint Spatial Plan and future transport strategies for the area, the Councils are also preparing a Joint Transport Study. This will identify the key transport issues affecting the West of England over the next 20 years and the transport solutions needed to address them. Comments are being sought on the Councils' initial ideas.
- The closing date for comments on this stage of consultation is **29 January 2016**. There is information on the consultations at www.jointplanningwofe.org.uk and copies of documents will be available in local libraries.
- An event for Bristol's Neighbourhood Partnerships to find out more and discuss the consultations is being planned for **January 2016** – other events are being set up in those parts of the city which are likely to experience the most impact from new housing and employment expansion.

Further to the last city-wide event where we received feedback about how we can raise the profile of NP's the Neighbourhood Management Service has been working with the BCC Communications Team to clarify can be done centrally and citywide to support the NP's and what is better done by NP's locally.

Bristol City Council – citywide support for all NP's	What could/should be done locally?
We can raise the profile of NP's in general terms - key messages of getting involved locally, finding things out and connecting with people with shared concerns or interests. We can also promote the things that are fixed or known such as annual calendar of dates of meetings and contact details and we can provide a go to place for key documents.	Local NP's know the local context and are in the best position to communicate with local people about local things. This cannot be done centrally. Different NP's have prioritised this differently and have different assets available to them. How NP's choose to do this is up to them. We do think there are some basic ingredients which all NP's should be looking towards and we are keen to understand how we can support this to happen. NP's can use the Neighbourhood Budget to support communications.
Online presence	
BCC Website Ensure information about NP's is accurate and up to date with timely information about forthcoming meetings with appropriate web-links (e.g. community-run NP website).	Some NP's have their own websites maintained by the wider membership. Locally run websites can really help to illuminate the work of the NP, the people involved and show the NP in the context of the local area.
Facebook By March 2016 our aim is that all Neighbourhood Officers and Neighbourhood Partnership Coordinators will be able to communicate with NP Facebook pages using a professional page of their own. Some NO's or NPC's may be providing admin support to NP Facebook or Twitter pages but the key issue is that BCC staff are clear about when they are communicating on behalf of/in the name of the NP and when they are a BCC officer.	IMPORTANT Ideally all NP's have a Facebook page. Some NP's already have their own very successful pages. We appreciate this may feel daunting for some people -- <i>What support would your NP need to set up and run a Facebook page?</i>
By Jan 2016 Neighbourhood Management Service (NMS) will have a Facebook page which will link up all the NP Facebook pages and give a city-wide overview and provide a channel for 'citywide' communication.	
Twitter By Jan 2016 there will be a NMS Twitter account which will be used to promote and support the work of the NP's and for citywide communications.	IMPORTANT really can help to raise the profile of the NP. Do you have someone locally who could be the Twitter person for the NP?
Paper	
General NP promotion leaflet - Produce a city-wide leaflet about NP's aimed at people new to NP's to be used at citywide and local events where we are looking to spread the word and encourage people to join in.	Where NP's are looking to run a campaign, put out a publication outside of the remit/skills of the NO or NPC a budget will need to be identified or the publication could be produced by a member of the NP.
Summary of the NP Plan – leaflet for each NP area	
Meeting dates and contact details - Produce a publication in March with good local flavour giving meeting dates for the year ahead and contact details for each NP. It is still to be decided if this will be one publication, three (one for each of the areas North/ South/ East Central) or 14.	All NP's must agree their basic meeting schedule – NP meetings and forums or open meetings by December 2015 so that venues can be booked and publicity ready by mid-March for 2016-15.
Forum/meeting posters and one off events which can be designed by the NMS or where a specific budget has been identified.	Neighbourhood Officer resource or budget identified by NP.
Other	
Press and PR – We will raise the profile of NP's through regular news stories in key citywide publications.	Make available good stories.
Campaigns - Corporate communications will support key citywide NP campaigns over the year	NP contributions to the campaigns – stories, voices and people willing to get involved.

which will promote the NP's raise the profile of a specific issue and/or present a call to action . The priorities will be determined by the NP Plans. This will start in Jan 2016 with a general awareness raising campaign.	
General – As a service we are looking to improve our communications systems. We will be looking to upgrade our information storage and retrieval systems so we can make better use of online software including text messaging systems.	NP's are encouraged to develop a communication plan for the area you serve. This doesn't have to be a complicated piece of work but is about the NP thinking about how and with whom it communicates with and what can be done locally to make sure more people know about the NP.
Helpful products – Make available a range of useful products such as pop up banners which can be used anywhere in the city.	
Radio – links have been made with Ujima and BCfm radio stations and training is being made available for NP members.	What does your NP want to tell the people of Bristol or the people in your area? BCfm and Ujima are keen to hear from NP's.
Photos – develop a catalogue of good quality photos of NP activity and the people involved.	Take advantage of good photo opportunities. Photos are really important for good communications and this is often the most challenging part of communicating a good story.

Please have a chat in your NPs and feedback through your Neighbourhood Partnership Coordinator.



20 November 2015

For immediate release

Kevin McCloud plans his biggest and most sustainable development to date in Bristol

A new housing development planned for Southmead is set to lead the way in sustainable living in Bristol.

During tonight's State of the City address, Mayor George Ferguson announced plans to develop the old Dunmail Primary School site.

The council is selling the land to housing association United Communities, who in partnership with Kevin McCloud's development company HAB Housing, plan to build a mixed tenure development of 150 properties, with one third affordable housing.

The affordable homes will be built to the equivalent of Passivhaus energy efficiency standards and all homes will meet level four of the Code for Sustainable Homes.

And it is not just the homes that are to be sustainable. The whole development will be built with the environment in mind. The estate will have a green infrastructure, including sustainable food production, low carbon energy sources and new cycle routes.

George Ferguson, Mayor of Bristol, said: "This development will raise the bar in terms of sustainability and quality of design

"The aim is for this to be a transformative housing scheme, one that drives a healthier way of living.

"We have worked really closely with the Southmead community throughout the process, and their ideas have been reflected strongly in the design."

This will be the first project that HAB, which aims to build homes that are tailored to both individual buyers and the local community, has undertaken in Bristol.

Kevin McCloud, chairman of HAB, said: "HAB has been eager to win a project in Bristol ever since we began to plan our move here. Now that our offices are in the city, it's with great relish that we can roll up our sleeves and begin work at Dunmail.

"This scheme gives us the opportunity to work alongside local people and organisations and to partner with United Communities, whom we particularly admire.

"We're looking forward to working in Southmead and delivering something of quality, richness and sustainability for the area."

Local residents helped to shape the design of the development, and the community will continue to be involved throughout the project.

Feedback from residents reflected in the scheme includes the desire for smaller low-rise properties, the need for a mixed tenure site and the inclusion of outdoor community space.

Oona Goldsworthy, Chief Executive of United Communities said: "As a locally based housing association we already have a long track record of working in Southmead, so we're really thrilled to have won the bid to redevelop the former Dunmail School site.

"The 150 new homes here will help to tackle the affordable housing crisis in the city, by providing a mix of homes for sale, rent and shared ownership.

"We've already starting talking to the local community about what the homes might look like and hope that existing and future residents will be really proud of the new development."

Money received from the sale of the land will be invested into school sports in Bristol.

It is hoped that a planning application for the development will now be submitted in March 2016, and if consent is given work would be due to start in September 2016.

If all goes to plan the scheme should be completed in March 2019.

Note to Editors:

- HAB stands for Happiness Architecture Beauty. The company was set up by Kevin McCloud in 2007 to challenge the way identikit volume housing was built in the UK. The homes and places they build aim to respect the local context and biodiversity; are strongly rooted in history, landscape and the community; and are sustainable, beautiful and a pleasure to live in. HAB is recognised as a leader in sustainable development, favouring a fabric-first approach to environmental construction with a focus on biodiversity, edible landscapes and sustainable drainage. They use materials and products which have low environmental impact and they also need to be affordable, durable, readily available and easy to maintain.
- United Communities was established on 1 April 2013 when two Bristol-based housing associations, Bristol Community Housing Foundation (BCHF) and United Housing Association (UHA), began working together in partnership. Together they manage just under 1,800 homes across the wider Bristol area and Swindon. The vast majority of their homes are for general social housing residents but they also provide some specialist homes for vulnerable people who may need more support and a sheltered housing scheme in central Bristol. In addition, they have about 50 shared ownership properties.
- Code for Sustainable Homes: The Code for Sustainable Homes is an environmental assessment rating method for new homes which assesses environmental performance in a two-stage process (design stage and post construction stage) using objective criteria and verification. The results of the Code assessment are recorded on a certificate assigned to the dwelling. The Code which has now been discontinued provides Councils with a useful benchmark to assess the performance rating of new homes from Level 1 to Level 6, against nine sustainability criteria which are combined to assess the overall environmental impact. Level 1 was entry level above building regulations, and Level six is the highest. At this scheme it is proposed that all market and affordable homes will achieve at least Code 4. According to research undertaken by Sustainable Homes, compared to Code 3 homes, Code 4 homes are estimated to use 7-15% less gas for heating with a consequent 25% reduction in

carbon emissions due to reduced heating and lighting. There are of course other benefits from living in high code level dwellings including reduced water usage, improved sound-proofing and convenient waste storage for home occupiers.

- **Passivhaus Standards:** Passivhaus buildings provide a high level of occupant comfort while using very little energy for heating and cooling. These buildings achieve a 75% reduction in space heating requirements, compared to standard practice for UK new build. The newbuild homes are built with meticulous attention to detail and rigorous design and construction according to principles developed by the Passivhaus Institute in Germany. The Passivhaus standard gives a robust method to help the industry achieve the 80% carbon reductions set as a legislative target for the UK Government.

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