

Date: 18 January 2023

Dear Councillor,

Environmental and Development Services Committee

A Meeting of the **Environmental and Development Services Committee** will be held at **Council Chamber**, Civic Offices, Civic Way, Swadlincote on **Thursday, 26 January 2023 at 18:00**. You are requested to attend.

Yours faithfully,



Chief Executive

To:- **Labour Group**

Councillor Taylor (Chair), Councillor Pegg (Vice-Chair) and
Councillors Heath, M. Mulgrew, Singh and Southerd

Conservative Group

Councillors Brown, Dawson, Fitzpatrick, Haines, Lemmon and Watson

Non-Grouped

Councillor Wheelton

AGENDA

Open to Public and Press

- 1 Apologies and to note any Substitutes appointed for the Meeting.
- 2 To note any declarations of interest arising from any items on the Agenda
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Exclusion of the Public and Press:

- 11 The Chairman may therefore move:-
That in accordance with Section 100 (A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraph of Part I of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in the header to each report on the Agenda.
- 12 To receive any Exempt questions by Members of the Council pursuant to Council procedure Rule No. 11.

REPORT TO:	ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM:5
DATE OF MEETING:	26 JANUARY 2023	CATEGORY: RECOMMENDED
REPORT FROM:	STRATEGIC DIRECTOR (SERVICE DELIVERY)	OPEN
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SUBJECT:	CORPORATE ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY GROUP	
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	ALL	TERMS OF REFERENCE: EDS01

1. Recommendations

- 1.1. That the Committee notes the progress made in improving the environmental performance of the Council further to this Committee establishing a Corporate Environmental Sustainability Group in August 2018.
- 1.2. That the Committee approves the amended terms of reference for the Corporate Environmental Sustainability Group.
- 1.3. That the Committee notes the content of this report and approves that that the Corporate Environmental Sustainability Group is making good progress in delivering the environmental improvements contained within its terms of reference.

2. Purpose of the Report

- 2.1. To provide the Committee with details on the progress made by the Corporate Environmental Sustainability Group to co-ordinate the Council's work on improving environmental credentials and performance.
- 2.2. To close out an outstanding recommendation from the recent internal audit focused on the governance framework surrounding the Council's response to climate change.

3. Background

- 3.1. Environmental sustainability covers a wide range of issues starting from a specific local location through to regional, countrywide and global. All issues comprise concerns about greenhouse gas mitigation, climate change, and renewable energy, while the local specific issues are around flooding, utilities consumption, waste, air and water pollution as well as the impacts on well-being such as the provision local warm homes.
- 3.2. The Local Government Act, 2009, specifically mentions regulating air, water, noise pollution and other environmental degradation as a function of Local Government and although they don't have a statutory duty to reduce emissions in line with the UK

Climate Change Act, they do need to produce plans that have a significant bearing on emissions (e.g. local plans and planning, social housing, fleet, public estate and procurement).

- 3.3. Local authorities have an important role in both climate and environmental matters and can help to implement countrywide and regional agreements, influence policy and also contribute to safeguarding residents' well-being, all of which is key to improving the Council's environmental performance.
- 3.4. At a meeting of this Committee on 16 August 2018, approval was given for the establishment of a Corporate Environmental Sustainability Group ("the CESG"). The purpose of the CESG is to develop and implement measures that demonstrably improve the Council's environmental performance and support the delivery of the Council's strategic environmental objectives through a collaborative corporate approach.
- 3.5. Committee approved the terms of reference of the CESG and agreed to receive further reports on the Group's work programme.

Corporate Environmental Sustainability Group Activity

- 3.6. The terms of reference approved by Committee in 2018 directed the CESG to give priority to six work streams to improve the Council's environmental performance, namely:
 - To address issues arising from the **ISO14001 external accreditation** process;
 - To focus on reducing the environmental impact of **Staff Travel** – core (miles driven by Council vehicles) and grey fleet miles (miles driven on Council business using employees' own transport);
 - To reduce the Council's **Energy Consumption**;
 - To improve the Council's **Water Management**;
 - To improve the Council's internal **Waste Management**;
 - To reduce the environmental impacts of Council contracts through greening the **Procurement** process.
- 3.7. Two further work streams were picked up by the Group during 2019;
 - At Full Council on 27 June 2019 the Council declared a **Climate Emergency**.
 - A request from members to explore opportunities to enhance **biodiversity** across the District.
- 3.8. The work of the CESG is led by various topic specific working groups consisting of staff from across the Council. The current working groups are the Staff Travel Group, the Biodiversity Group and the Low Carbon Homes Group.

Terms of Reference

- 3.9. In February 2022 an internal audit focused on the governance framework surrounding the Council's response to climate change.
- 3.10. The audit concluded that the existing control assurance is '**substantial**'. Nevertheless, the report contained four recommendations, all identified as low risk.
- 3.11. One of the weaknesses identified is '*The Terms of Reference for the Corporate Environmental Sustainability Group was last updated in 2018 and therefore did not*

reflect the current membership of the group or provide an up-to-date list of priorities relating to the Climate and Environment Strategy, Action Plan 2021-2030 or the Council's Corporate Plan aims.'

3.12. The recommended action is that *“The Terms of Reference for the Corporate Environmental Sustainability Group will be updated for approval by the Group and the Terms of Reference for the Corporate Environmental Sustainability Group will be updated for approval by Environment and Development Services Committee when the next annual report is published.”*

3.13. Appendix 1 to this report contains a proposed revised terms of reference approved by the Corporate Environmental Sustainability Group, which updates that originally approved in 2018 and which provides a more accurate reflection of the composition and work of the Group.

3.14. This report seeks this Committees approval of the revised terms of reference in accordance with the internal audit recommendation.

4. Detail

4.1. The following sections of this report provide a summary of the progress made with each of the work streams described in paragraphs 3.6 and 3.7.

ISO 14001 External Accreditation

4.2. The Council has been certified to the ISO14001 international standard on environmental management for 13 years.

4.3. In May 2022 the Council appointed a new Corporate Environmental Coordinator and during the second half of 2022 the environmental management system (EMS) was thoroughly reviewed and updated.

4.4. An annual surveillance audit by our external auditors took place in early December 2022.

4.5. The auditor identified three minor non-conformities and made an additional 13 observations which could improve the Council's environmental performance. All of these have either been addressed or are currently being closed out.

4.6. The very small number of non-conformities and the positive feedback from the external auditor reflects well on the work of the Corporate Environmental Coordinator in refreshing the EMS. It also reflects well on the way in which staff across the organisation are willing to engage in improving environmental performance.

Staff Travel

4.7. The Council's first [Staff Travel Action Plan](#) was approved by this Committee on 25 November 2019.

4.8. Much of the work to deliver the actions within this Action Plan is carried out by the Staff Travel Group.

4.9. The headline targets of the Plan are summarised in the following Table.

	Baseline (2019)	2021 Target	2024 Target
% of staff walking to work	3.7%	6.5%	15.0%

% of staff using public transport to work	1.9%		10.0%
% of staff cycling to work	0.6%	2.0%	10.0%
% of staff car sharing to work	2.2%	3.0%	10.0%
% of staff working flexibly	11.2%	15.0%	25.0%
Total % of staff participating in sustainable travel to work	19.6%	26.5%	70.0%

4.10. The Plan also set a target of **reducing the Council's overall diesel consumption by 10% by 2024 and reducing the miles travelled by Council staff for work (known as grey mileage) by 15% by 2024.**

4.11. The implementation of the Plan started in early 2020 along with the introduction of more robust processes across all Council services for gathering data to measure the performance targets.

Staff Commuting Travel

4.12. The onset of the pandemic had a seismic impact on staff travel behaviours. A further staff travel survey was carried out in summer 2022 and produced the following results based on a 75% response rate.

	Baseline (2019)	2021 Target	2024 Target	2022 Actual
% of staff walking to work	3.7%	6.5%	15.0%	11.1%
% of staff using public transport to work	1.9%		10.0%	
% of staff cycling to work	0.6%	2.0%	10.0%	1.5%
% of staff car sharing to work	2.2%	3.0%	10.0%	8.7%
% of staff working flexibly	11.2%	15.0%	25.0%	68%
Total % of staff participating in sustainable travel to work survey and actions	19.6%	26.5%	70.0%	89.3%

4.13. With the exception of the percentage of staff cycling to work all of the staff commuting targets set within the Staff Travel Plan have been met and exceeded.

4.14. The results of the Staff Travel Plan survey have been collated and fed into the flexible working consultation process to shape the future delivery of services post Covid.

4.15. The staff travel survey identified that;

- 11 more staff are using electric or hybrid cars than in 2019.
- 24 more staff do not travel to work by car and 11 more staff are car sharing than in 2019
- Just under 70% of staff identified that they have been partially or fully working from home.
- Working from home has resulted in an estimated 48% reduction in carbon emissions resulting from the daily commute by Council staff.

Fleet and Grey Fleet Travel

4.16. In August 2022 the Council published its first [Annual Carbon Reduction Progress Report](#), which was approved by this Committee.

4.17. In 2021/22 fleet fuel consumption was the highest source of carbon emissions across all Council activities.

4.18. The overall carbon emissions resulting from the Council fleet vehicle miles was 818 tCO₂e (equivalent tonnes of CO₂), compared to the baseline 2018/19 emissions of 722 tCO₂e.

4.19. This 13% increase is as a direct result of the increased workload of the Operational Services fleet since it took on extra duties following the recycling collection function being brought in-house in 2021.

4.20. Nevertheless this represents an improvement compared to the 836 tCO₂e (equivalent tonnes of CO₂), which the fleet emitted in 2020/21.

4.21. A route optimisation project has commenced (detailed below) and will support the Council in delivering efficiencies in the performance of its operational fleet in the longer- term.

4.22. A pilot project funded by D2N2 LEP to operate two dual fuel hydrogen powered refuse collection vehicles has also been approved by this Committee and the project is currently in the procurement phase.

4.23. 2021/22, the carbon emissions resulting from the grey fleet mileage (staff business travel) was 36 tCO₂e compared to the 2018/19 baseline of 54 tCO₂e. This 33% reduction of the carbon emissions is largely due to the pandemic, technology innovation that enables staff to engage differently with local residents and businesses, and the changing expectations of all stakeholders that meetings should be online unless circumstances require otherwise.

Energy

4.24. In 2020, Corporate Property secured a new, three-year fixed price contract for energy supplies to all Council owned public buildings.

4.25. As well as delivering healthy savings at a fixed price, the new electricity contract is produced from 100% renewable, non-nuclear sources (wind, hydro, geo-thermal and solar), delivering on the Council's Corporate Plan Climate Emergency priorities.

- 4.26. In 2021/22, the carbon emissions resulting from the use of electricity across the main public buildings was 233 tCO₂e, which is 51% lower than the 2018/19 baseline of 476 tCO₂e.
- 4.27. In 2021/22 the carbon emissions from heating the public buildings by gas were 612 tCO₂e, compared to 811 tCO₂e in the baseline year of 2018/19, showing a 25% reduction. These significant reductions in carbon emissions are a direct result of the pandemic, where the hybrid staff working model reduced the public building energy consumption significantly.
- 4.28. More recently research has been commissioned from Midlands Net Zero Hub into transitioning the Civic Way offices to being supplied by a low carbon heating source and to support the reduction in energy consumption and operating costs. The results of this research have been used to support a bid for funding of £546k from the governments Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme to reduce the carbon emissions resulting from the energy use in public buildings.
- 4.29. The Council is also working with Active Nations who operate Greenbank and Etwall Leisure Centres on behalf of the Council to develop a 25 point Energy Saving Action Plan. This will support the reduction in energy consumption in the two leisure centres through behaviour change and other simple and cost effective projects.
- 4.30. More broadly, Housing Services commissioned further research into the energy efficiency of the Council's own housing stock. The Council engaged the assistance of Nottingham City Council to complete this work.
- 4.31. The outcomes of this research were reported at Housing and Community Services Committee on 30 September 2021, with 67.2% of the stock meeting an Energy Performance Certificate standard of C or better. It was approved that the results of this research would inform future reviews of the Council's Asset Management Strategy and would be reflected within future programmes for investment in the improvement of the Council's Housing Stock. The research gave a clear recommendation that the Council adopts a 'fabric first' approach to stock improvement, focusing firstly on insulating roofs and floors and double-glazing improvements.
- 4.32. At the same Committee it was approved that the results of the research would be used to support a bid for funding from "Wave 1" of the Government's Social Housing Decarbonisation Grant (SHDF) fund. This funding bid was successful and work is currently underway to improve the energy performance of up to 111 council houses and to enable tenants to directly reduce their energy consumption as the insulation measures are delivered through until end March 2023.
- 4.33. A report outlining the bid for SHDF Wave 2 funding has recently been taken to HCS Committee.

Waste

- 4.34. A new waste collection system ("waste hubs") was commissioned to improve collection and segregation of office waste streams from Council office activities.
- 4.35. The waste hubs were commissioned and installed in early 2022.
- 4.36. Rosliston Forestry Centre and Active Nation subsequently installed their own waste hubs in December 2022. Before this there was little recycling at these sites.

4.37. Waste legal compliance has been improved through the introduction of waste training for all relevant staff.

Water

4.38. During 2020, the Corporate Property Team reviewed the procurement of water supplies for the Council's portfolio of non-residential properties. Commercial water supplies were de-regularised in 2017 and as a result the Council inherited multiple suppliers to its various properties.

4.39. In 2020, these were merged into a single supplier, Castle Water, the UK's largest independent water supplier. This has helped significantly streamline administration and generate cost savings of over £5,000 over three years.

4.40. The carbon emissions resulting from water usage also dropped. In 2020/21 the carbon emissions from water usage were 23 tCO₂e, compared to the 2018/19 baseline of 27tCO₂e, a 17% reduction.

4.41. Outside the scope of the Corporate Environmental Sustainability Group, the Council has adopted a new Corporate Plan performance indicator (ref E2.2A) relating to the percentage of new homes granted planning permission which meet non-statutory water conservation standards. This will have a positive influence on the water conservation standards of future homes across the District.

Procurement

4.42. A new Procurement Strategy and Guidance Manual was approved in 2020 which included the Council's Corporate Plan environmental ambitions.

4.43. Work is ongoing to ensure that these ambitions are embedded in the procurement process. A Procurement Checklist for tender exercises encourages officers running the tending process to give due consideration to environmental issues and template tender and contract documents offer the opportunity to include environmental clauses.

4.44. Officers have been working with the Council's procurement providers at NHS Chesterfield to seek to enhance its systems to capture social value environmental questions. The NHS has been working on green plans during 2022 to see if it can support South Derbyshire's environmental aims, or to implement monitoring systems to manage the increase in volume of environmental data which will result from embedding increased environmental demands in the procurement process.

4.45. Additional work will be required to ensure that all staff procuring and managing contracts are able to monitor environmental performance of contractors and social value return after contracts are awarded.

Biodiversity

4.46. On 12 August 2021, this Committee approved an Action Plan for Nature (APN) along with an Action Plan for Nature Work Programme.

4.47. In November 2021 the Environment Act was given royal assent. Part 6 of the Act contains extensive new legislation relating to nature and biodiversity.

4.48. In February 2022 the Council appointed a new Biodiversity Officer who has taken responsibility for the delivery of the Action Plan for Nature and for leading the Council work on biodiversity.

4.49. A further report which will summarise progress with the APN work programme, and which will seek approval for a revised APN work programme will be brought to this Committee in the near future.

Climate Emergency

4.50. The Council's Climate Emergency states the intention to:

- Strive to make South Derbyshire District Council carbon neutral by 2030 and achieve carbon neutrality across the geographical area of South Derbyshire before the Government target of 2050;
- Call on the UK Government to provide the powers and resources to make the 2030 target realistic;
- Work with partners across the District and region to deliver this goal through all relevant strategies.

4.51. The Council published its first Climate and Environment Action Plan in January 2020.

4.52. This Committee approved a first iteration of this Plan on 21 May 2021. This Committee approved the current version of the [Climate and Environment Action Plan](#) on 11 August 2022 and which contains all of the key actions currently proposed to meet the Climate Emergency declaration.

4.53. The Action Plan has mapped a route to carbon neutral for South Derbyshire District Council activities by 2030. All the actions within the Plan have been costed and the focus has been on ensuring that all plans are ready and workable to optimise any funding opportunities that becomes available. Not all of the funding to deliver this has yet been secured.

4.54. The Action Plan does not yet contain a route map to carbon neutral for the entire geographical district of South Derbyshire.

4.55. Further iterations of the Plan will be brought back to Committee on an annual basis over the course of the Corporate Plan lifetime along with the Annual Carbon Reduction Plan to detail how the delivery of the action plan is producing direct carbon emission reductions.

Progress of the Climate and Environment Actions

4.56. The Council has made significant strides in enabling and directly delivering carbon reductions since the last Corporate Environmental Sustainability Group report in January 2022. In addition to those energy and biodiversity matters already mentioned earlier in this report these include:

Enabling and Education progress

- Putting in place a quarterly project management programme to ensure the ongoing delivery of Climate and Environment actions across all the Council's services on a structured basis. Summary updates of the quarterly progress reports will be fed back to the members of this Committee.
- Developing a new [SDDC Climate web page](#) to effectively communicate with residents, businesses, and community groups about the Council's Climate & Environment Strategy, plans, actions and progress and the projects we are delivering.
- Delivering environmental awareness training to 82% of SDDC employees.
- Participating in community events in Swadlincote and Derby to promote public adoption of carbon reduction initiatives.

- Providing an offer to all Parish Councils of support for carbon reduction aspirations and activities.

Procurement progress

- Revising the procurement tendering process to improve carbon neutral criteria within the scoring process.
- We have calculated the Scope 3 carbon footprint of the main suppliers in the Council's supply chain to support a reduction in supplier carbon emissions (see 4.57 below).

Decarbonisation of Buildings progress

- We have ensured that 99.9% of private rented properties in the District meet new Energy Efficiency Regulations.
- Successfully bidding for access to £2,993,160 in external funding to make energy improvements to the worst performing, low income, owner-occupied properties in South Derbyshire.
- Successfully bidding for access to £1,027,701 in external funding to make energy improvements to South Derbyshire District Council housing stock.
- Additional bids have recently been submitted for funding to improve both public sector and private sector housing.

Decarbonisation of Transport progress

- Installing 22 dual electric vehicle charge-points (42 parking bays) in public car parks owned by South Derbyshire District Council to help promote the transition to electric car ownership, including the recently successful bid for electric vehicle charge-points in Hatton, Hilton and Melbourne.
- Completing a strategic review of all South Derbyshire District Council car parks and other car parks in public ownership to identify EV recharge point installation opportunities.
- Continuing to procure electric rechargeable grounds maintenance equipment.
- Commencing the implementation of route optimisation for Council fleet vehicles.
- Secured funding for a pilot project to decarbonise the refuse collection fleet through dual fuel hydrogen technology.

Progress on Climate Change Resilience

- Completing the project to deliver £100,000 spend of government grant towards a Property Flood Resilience Recovery Support Scheme for all properties flooded in South Derbyshire as a result of Storm Ciara and Dennis in February 2020.
- Promoting and administering Free Tree Schemes across the District and Volunteering Projects to support the planting of free tree schemes.

Business Engagement progress

- Undertaking one to one engagement with early adopter local businesses to promote transition to low carbon business practices, reduction in energy consumption and green funding opportunities. To date 52 businesses have been visited to promote and support the transition to low carbon emissions.
- Creating a simple carbon emission audit template to support businesses understand their carbon footprint.
- Establishing a decarbonisation section in the Council's monthly Business Newsletter to support the understanding of transitioning business sectors to low carbon emissions.

Calculating Scope 3 Carbon Emissions

- 4.57. Since the approval of the Climate and Environment Action Plan, work has progressed on calculating the Council's Scope 3 carbon emissions. This calculation is based on annual supplier spend data (suppliers who spend over £50k annually with SDDC) and using the Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) Department's carbon coefficients for each relevant supplier spend sector.
- 4.58. Scope 3 emissions are those which are produced as the result of activities from assets not owned or controlled by the reporting organisation, but that the organisation indirectly impacts in its value chain. Scope 3 emission sources include emissions both upstream and downstream of the organisation's activities
- 4.59. Based on the calculations to date:
- The 2018/19 Scope 3 Baseline for SDDC = 6139 tCO₂e
 - The 2019/20 Scope 3 carbon emissions for SDDC = 6091 tCO₂e
 - The 2020/21 Scope 3 carbon emissions for SDDC = 8045 tCO₂e. This increase is due to a large single spend with Highways England in 2021 and an increase in spend with Novus Construction.
- 4.60. The governance and monitoring of the delivery of the actions contained in the Plan has been embedded in the Corporate Plan Performance Framework since April 2020 which is reported to this Committee.

Key Activities in 2023

- 4.61. The CSEG has not as yet developed a workplan for 2023-24, however given the Terms of Reference the following items are likely to feature in the work of the Group;
- Implications of the Environment Act on internal waste management.
 - Implications of the Environment Act of biodiversity.
 - Implications of fuel prices on energy efficiency.
 - New / changed priorities which emerge from revisions to the Corporate Plan.
 - New / changed priorities which emerge from climate emergency actions identified as necessary to enable the district of South Derbyshire to become a carbon neutral.

5. Financial Implications

- 5.1. Beneficial impacts - Improved environmental performance could lead to potential cost savings. Any actions that lead to the reduction in energy consumption will lead to reduction in operational costs as well the carbon emission reductions. Any spend to save opportunities which are identified will need to be the subject of a business case and will need to meet the financial procedural rules of the Council.
- 5.2. The work of the Group has better positioned the Council to make successful bids for external funding to support the Council's environmental ambitions.
- 5.3. Adverse impacts – As reported to Finance and Management Committee on 10 June 2021, the total additional cost of including decarbonisation of all the 'Transformation Actions' contained in the Climate and Environment Action Plan is estimated to be in the range £5.6 to 6.8million. In addition, the cost of the smaller 'Service Plan Actions' in the Climate and Environment Action Plan is estimated to be £315k and 3,350 employee hours.

- 5.4. In his commentary on the Climate and Environment Action Plan the Council's Chief Finance (Section 151) Officer has stated "*As it currently stands, the Council will be reliant on external funding and grants to meet its carbon reduction targets*".

6. Corporate Implications

Employment Implications

- 6.1. Beneficial. The proposals will improve the reputation of the Council and make South Derbyshire District Council an even more desirable employer to work for.

Legal Implications

- 6.2. None.

Corporate Plan Implications

- 6.3. The proposals align with the 'Our Environment' key priority and in particular with the key aims of "Strive to make South Derbyshire District Council carbon neutral by 2030" and "Work with residents, businesses and partners to reduce their carbon footprint".

Risk Impact

- 6.4. The proposals will have a beneficial mitigating action against the corporate risk of "Managing the environmental impact of incidents across the District".

7. Community Impact

Consultation

- 7.1. Several of the activities have been the subject of internal staff consultations, such as through the staff travel planning survey and Staff Travel Group, the Biodiversity Working Group and the Employee forum.
- 7.2. External engagement and consultation have been carried out on specific projects such as electric charge point installations, housing decarbonisation, energy consumption reduction, Local Plan consultation and the Climate and Emergency Action Plan, subject to the necessary Committee approvals.
- 7.3. The Council's progress on its environmental sustainability ambitions is detailed on its external website and on all its social media channels on a regular basis.

Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Impact

- 7.4. One of the actions contained in the current version of the Climate and Environment (action ref ISP17) is to "*Develop a full equality, diversity and inclusion impact assessment of SDDC's Climate and Environment Action Plan*" This work is progressing and will be completed during 2023.

Social Value Impact

- 7.5. Beneficial.

Environmental Sustainability

- 7.6. Beneficial.

8. Conclusions

- 8.1. As demonstrated by this report, the Council is engaged in a diverse and meaningful range of environmental activities which fall within the scope of the CESG.
- 8.2. All of these activities signal the clear commitment of the Council to build and improve on its previous environmental performance.
- 8.3. The Corporate Plan 2020-24 contains a strong environmental content with a range of new performance measures which reflect the original concerns of members. This provides assurance that environmental issues will remain central to the Council's development over the Corporate Plan period.

9. Appendices

- 9.1. Appendix 1 – Corporate Environmental Sustainability Group Terms of Reference

10. Background Papers

Previous CESG Progress Reports

[Environment and Development Services Committee, 16 August 2018.](#)

[Environment and Development Services Committee, 17 April 2019.](#)

[Environment and Development Services Committee, 15 August 2019.](#)

[Environment and Development Services Committee, 12 November 2020.](#)

[Environment and Development Services Committee, 25 January 2022](#)

Staff Travel Planning and Fleet Emissions Reductions

[Staff Travel Plan](#)

[Staff Travel Action Plan](#)

Energy

[Housing and Community Services Committee, 28 January 2021](#)

[Housing and Community Services Committee, 3 June 2021](#)

[Housing and Community Services Committee, 30 September 2021](#)

[Housing and Community Services Committee, 19 April 2022](#)

Biodiversity

[Environment and Development Services Committee, 12 August 2021](#)

Climate Emergency

[Climate and Environment Strategy 2021-30](#)

[Climate and Environment Action Plan](#)

[Annual Carbon Emissions Reduction Report](#)

Corporate Environmental Sustainability Group Terms of Reference

February 2022

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Approvals

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Associated Documentation

Description of Documentation

1.0 Terms of Reference for the Corporate Environmental Sustainability Group (CESG)

1. To keep under review the Council's corporate approach to environmental sustainability, with particular reference to the content of the Corporate Plan.
2. To identify good practice and areas for improvement where the Council can lead by example.
3. To identify the Council's current Corporate policies, plans, objectives, and procedures in respect of its own environmental sustainability with view to determining whether they could be strengthened.
4. To support the Council's retention of the ISO14001 Environmental Management System.
5. To develop performance measures and targets to measure the impact of the Group priorities.
6. To develop opportunities to work in partnership with other public sector agencies to achieve greater environmental improvements than the Council could working alone.
7. To develop a corporate communication plan to convey the Council's work on environmental sustainability to staff, elected members and other relevant stakeholders.
8. To develop an associated training programme to support the delivery of the Group priorities.

2.0 Group Membership

Standing Membership of the Group is;

- Strategic Director – Service Delivery
- Strategic Director - Corporate Resources
- Corporate Environmental Co-ordinator
- Climate and Environment Officer
- Head of Operational Services
- Head of Environmental Services
- Head of Planning and Strategic Housing
- Head of Corporate Property
- Head of Organisational Development and Performance
- Head of Economic Development
- Head of Cultural and Community Services
- Head of Housing

Other staff members may be invited at the discretion of any of the standing members.

3.0 Current Priorities for the Group

1. **Climate change and carbon reduction.** With particular reference to the delivery of the Council's Climate and Environmental Emergency Strategy and Climate and Environmental Emergency Action Plan and incorporating corporate energy use, waste production and water use.
2. **Biodiversity.** With particular reference to the delivery of the Council's Biodiversity Action Plan.
3. **ISO14001 environmental management system.** With particular reference to supporting all of the activities necessary to retain certification to the ISO14001 standard.



4. **Staff travel.** Including staff travel to work, staff grey mileage and fleet mileage and with particular reference to the Staff Travel Plan.
5. **Procurement.** With particular reference to improving environment and social value outcomes from the procurement process .

4.0 Current Working Groups to Report through the CESG

Staff-led working groups may need to be established to contribute to the delivery of the Group priorities directly or indirectly.

Reports from each of these Groups shall be considered by and supported through the Corporate Environmental Sustainability Group. The working groups currently consist of;

- The Sustainable Travel Group
- The Biodiversity Working Group
- The Low Carbon Homes Working group

Ad hoc working groups may be established at any time by the CESG to support the delivery of the priorities of the Group.

5.0 Governance

The activity of the Group shall be reported annually to the Environment and Development Services Committee.

The Terms of Reference of the CESG shall be reviewed following the publication of all new Corporate Plans.



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1.0 Recommendations

- 1.1 That the Committee notes the content of the Authority Monitoring Report (AMR) and authorises the publication of the document on the Council's website.

2.0 Purpose of the Report

- 2.1 To allow the Committee to note the content of the AMR, which provides information on the performance of policies in the adopted Local Plan Part 1 and 2 for the monitoring period April 1st, 2021 to March 31st 2022 and to seek authorisation to publish this on the Council's website.

3.0 Detail

- 3.1 The preparation of an AMR is a requirement under the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.
- 3.2 The Council has produced monitoring reports on an annual basis since 2004. These have historically been published in December or January each year. The reports present data on a wide range of issues such as the number of homes and amount of commercial floor space completed or under construction during the monitoring year and the progress being made on the preparation of Development Plan Documents
- 3.3 The AMR includes monitoring for the Local Plan policies included in the Local Plan Part 1 and 2.
- 3.4 Particular areas of note from the report are that in the monitoring year there were 919 new housing completions, of which 156 were affordable homes. These figures are a decrease on the previous year by 110 and 9 homes, respectively. The Council can demonstrate a five years housing land supply of 6.29 years using the Local Plan requirement and 8.71 years using the Government's standard method.

3.5 Regarding regeneration and the use of brownfield land, 15% of housing delivered within the monitoring period was on previously developed land and 74% of employment floor space was delivered on previously developed sites.

4.0 Financial Implications

4.1 None directly arising from this report.

5.0 Corporate Implications

Employment Implications

5.1 None directly arising from this report.

Legal Implications

5.2 None directly arising from this report.

Corporate Plan Implications

5.3 The AMR allows effective monitoring of the Council's planning policies some of which are of importance in delivering the strategic priorities and objectives included in the Council's Corporate Plan and relative Service Delivery Plans produced by the individual directorates.

Risk Impact

5.4 None directly arising from this report.

6.0 Community Impact

Consultation

6.1 None.

Equality and Diversity Impact

6.2 None directly arising from this report.

Social Value Impact

6.3 The AMR notes that the level of affordable housing completions across the District has decreased compared to the previous monitoring period, partially reflecting lower housing completion rates due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

6.4 The AMR records that there was a new increase in employment land and floorspace over the monitoring period.

Environmental Sustainability

6.5 None.

7.0 Conclusions

7.1 The AMR shall be published on Council's website following Committee approval.

8.0 Background Papers

Appendix 1: Authority Monitoring Report 2021/22

Appendix 2: Housing Position Paper, January 2022

Authority Monitoring Report

1 April 2021 - 31 March 2022

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Executive Summary

Theme

Population



Housing



Headline

In 2021 the mid-year population for South Derbyshire stood at 108,063. Since the start of the Plan period in 2011 there has been **an increase** in the District's population of **13,452** people.

The District Council's 2016 Local Plan Housing Target is **742 homes to be built per annum between 2011-2028**. As set by the standard methodology South Derbyshire's housing requirement is 538 homes per year, going up to 742 in order to meet some of Derby City's unmet housing need.

In the 2021/22 monitoring period there were 935 (gross) completions. However, once losses in the period are taken into account, a total of **919 new homes** (net) were built. Since 2011, **8,218** homes have been built against a requirement of **8,162**.

Affordable housing completions for the period 2021/22 were 156. This is a reduction from the number recorded in the 2020/21 period when 165 affordable homes were completed. **16.6% of homes completed in the period were classed as affordable.** In 2021 **median house prices were 7.35 times median (gross) annual workplace earnings**. An increase from 7.21 times earnings in 2020 indicating that homes have become less affordable in the monitoring period¹.

A total of 14 individuals were added to the District Council's self-build register during the sixth base period (31 October 2020 to 30 October 2021). 16 individuals were added to the register during the fifth base period.

¹ House price to workplace based earnings ratios can be found on the following webpage:

<https://www.ons.gov.uk/peoplepopulationandcommunity/housing/datasets/ratioofhousepricetoworkplacebasedearningslowerquartileandmedian>



Employment



The total industrial and business land need outside the Derby Urban Area within South Derbyshire between 2011 - 2028 is **47.27ha**. On 31 March 2022, **the amount of new land developed since 1 April 2011 is 38.17ha**, with a further **21.82ha under construction** at the time of the survey. **A further 44.36ha has planning consent and 18.71ha has not yet gained planning consent but is allocated for industrial and business development** in the Local Plan Part 1.

Net additional floor space delivered in the monitoring period is **1709 sqm**.

Retail



A total of 10 retail, office and leisure units were recorded as vacant in Swadlincote Town Centre during the survey in 2021. **The vacancy rate for the retail, leisure and office uses in the town centre is 5.56% by number of units, or 2.92% if measured as a proportion of floor space.**

No new local centres were completed within the monitoring period. Proposed local centres on strategic sites at New House Farm, Boulton Moor, Wragley Way and Drakelow Park had not been implemented as of 31 March 2022.

Regeneration

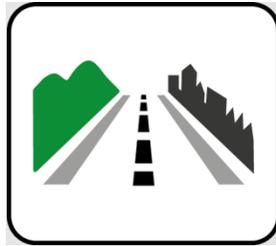


The Brownfield Land Register submission for 2021 comprised 13 sites with a total area of 81.6 ha.

14.5% of housing delivered in the monitoring period was on previously developed land, whilst 74.3% of employment floor space was delivered on previously developed sites.



Infrastructure



Local infrastructure projects delivered in the monitoring period:

The Woodville – Swadlincote Regenerate Route was completed during the monitoring period.



Plan Preparation

Plans and Policy Documents

The Local Development Scheme sets out the timetable for the preparation of planning policy documents. The latest version was published in May 2022 (LDS 10) and can be viewed on the Council's website [here](#).

The Local Plan Part 1 (LP1)

This document, adopted by the Council on 13 June 2016, forms the strategic part of the Council's Local Plan. It contains allocations for strategic housing and employment sites as well as a range of thematic spatial policies in respect of housing, employment, sustainable development, the built and natural environment and infrastructure. The Plan is available to view on the Council's website [here](#).

The Local Plan Part 2 (LP2)

This document was adopted by the Council on 2 November 2017 in accordance with LDS8. It sets out the location of 14 non-strategic housing sites allocated within the District, defines settlement boundaries and sets out a range of thematic policies on topics such as heritage, retail, local green spaces, and development in the countryside. It is available to view on the Council's website [here](#).

Local Green Spaces Plan

This document was adopted by the Council on 24 September 2020 in accordance with LDS9. The Local Green Spaces Plan designates areas of land that are of particular value to the local community, for protection from most forms of development. The Plan will be used to guide development, together with the rest of the development plan, through the determination of planning applications in the District.

Local Green Spaces can also be designated through Neighbourhood Development Plans and the relevant local green space policies in the development plan also apply to spaces designated in this way.

Supplementary Planning Documents and Development Plan Documents

Design Guide and Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs) were adopted in November 2017. The Design Guide SPD incorporates car parking and open space and facilities' standards, previously proposed as separate documents.

- A Gypsy and Traveller Site Allocations DPD: Between 28 August and 2 October 2019 the District Council consulted upon the Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report for the Gypsy and Traveller Site Allocations DPD. An up-to-date assessment of need is to be



undertaken prior to the commencement of the Gypsy and Traveller Site Allocations DPD and whilst the Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment (GTAA) has been commissioned and the site surveys have commenced, Covid-19 has delayed the site surveys and the GTAA report is not yet complete.

- An SPD on Greenways: No firm dates have been set for consultation or adoption. The District Council continues to liaise with Derbyshire County Council with a view to progressing the document.
- A Planning Obligations SPD: Between 20 May and 27 June 2022, the District Council consulted on a Draft Planning Obligations SPD in accordance with Regulation 13 of the Town and Country (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012. The representations that have been received are currently been considered prior to any amendments been made as required.

Neighbourhood Development Plans

Neighbourhood Development Plans (NDPs) currently in production or made are as follows:

- **Repton NDP:** Following the submission of the Plan to the Council in January 2019 and the receipt of the Examiner's report in July 2019, The Parish of Repton Neighbourhood Development Plan 2016 – 2028 went to referendum on 14 November 2019. The referendum posed the question: *'Do you want South Derbyshire District Council to use the Parish of Repton Neighbourhood Development Plan to help it decide planning applications in the Repton Neighbourhood Area?'.* The outcome of the referendum was a 'yes' vote, with 565 out of 586 persons that voted, voting in favour of the Plan'. The Parish of Repton Neighbourhood Plan was formally made on 6 January 2020. More information is available on the Repton Neighbourhood Plan website at http://www.reptonvillage.org.uk/n_p/np_home.html.
- **Melbourne NDP:** Public consultation in accordance with Regulation 16 of the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012 was undertaken on the Draft Melbourne Neighbourhood Development Plan for six weeks between 8 October 2021 and 19 November 2021. Since this AMR monitoring period, the Plan has progressed through the examination and referendum stage and has been proceeded to be made. More information on the Melbourne Neighbourhood Plan is available on the [Council's website](https://www.melbourneparishcouncil.gov.uk/) and at <https://www.melbourneparishcouncil.gov.uk/>
- **Hilton NDP:** An area comprising the Parishes of Hilton, Marston on Dove and Hoon has been designated as a Neighbourhood Plan Area. Hilton Parish Council undertook the Regulation 14 consultation from 28 October 2019 to 9 December 2019. The Plan was submitted to the Council in May 2020 and the Regulation 16 consultation undertaken, which closed on 19 October 2020. The examination commenced within the monitoring period and the Examiner's Report received outside of it, on 26 May 2021. The Plan was formally made on 4 November 2021 and is available on the [Council's website](#).



- **Willington NDP:** An area comprising the Parish of Willington has been designated as a Neighbourhood Plan Area.

Population

Census data indicates that the District’s population has increased by 13452 people or 14.2% since the start of the Plan period, as shown in Table 1, below:

Table 1: 2011 and 2021 Census Population data

Year	Total Resident Population
2011 Census	94,611
2021 Census	107,200
2021 mid-year population estimate	108,063

Available population forecasts from the Office of National Statistics (ONS) for the District indicate that the population will continue to grow rapidly, but at a steadily falling rate as time progresses. The following table shows 2018 sub-national population projections for South Derbyshire, although it is important to note that these forecasts are likely to be revised downward slightly in the near future on the basis of the newly released 2021 Census data.



Table 2: Mid-year population forecasts for South Derbyshire 2022-2028

Year	Population Forecasts ²
2022	111,632
2023	113,257
2024	114,819
2025	116,281
2026	117,697
2027	119,043
2028	120,342

Housing

In accordance with the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012, councils are required to report on the housing delivery that has taken place during the past monitoring year, which in this case is the period from 1 April 2021 until 31 March 2022.

Residential land supply is monitored annually in South Derbyshire with full site surveys around 1 April each year, in accordance with a County-wide protocol. The use of a database linked to GIS enables planning permissions and progress on sites to be tracked on a consistent basis across Derbyshire. Information is also collected on the development of affordable housing by tenure as well as data on house sizes and development densities on wholly completed sites.

Housing Requirement

The agreed and examined housing target from South Derbyshire's Local Plan Examination is a Housing Market Area (HMA) requirement from 2011 to 2028 of 33,388 dwellings of which 12,618 dwellings is the housing requirement for South Derbyshire. This figure consists of the housing need for South Derbyshire which is 9,605 dwellings together with a share of the housing need that Derby is unable to accommodate, 3,013 dwellings. **Based on a requirement of 12,618 the annualised housing requirement for the District is 742 dwellings.**

² Population forecasts based on ONS 2018-based Subnational population projections for South Derbyshire [Population projections for local authorities: Table 2 - Office for National Statistics](#)



Housing Supply

The net number of completed dwellings from the start of the Plan period in 2011 can be seen in the Table 3 below.

Table 3: Housing delivery since the start of the Plan period

Monitoring Period	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22
Number	378	274	385	420	569	820	921	1218	1285	1029	919
On previously developed land (%)	38	32	26	33	12	14	11	12	13	13	15

The delivery figures since the start of the Plan period show a low level of completions in the early part of the plan period. This was likely to have been as a result of a lack of supply from the then committed sites and economic conditions following the global financial crisis. Housing delivery reached its lowest point in the 2012/13 monitoring period. Numbers have been higher since the 2016/17 monitoring period which saw a step change in delivery following adoption of the Local Plan Parts 1 and 2, new housing allocations having been made and ‘opened up’ for development.

As identified in Table 3 the completions from the previous eight years demonstrate the housing target of 742 has been met six times since the beginning of the plan period. In total 8,228 homes have been completed within the Plan period up to the 31 March 2022. This indicates a surplus of 67 homes over the Plan period to date. The Council expects to continue to deliver high levels of growth over the next five years. Details regarding the Council’s five-year land supply are set out in the Housing Position Paper included at Appendix B.

Completions on Previously Developed (Brownfield) Land

Of the 919 dwellings (net completions) that were completed within the District in 2021/22, 15% were on previously developed land. As can be seen from Table 3, completions on previously developed land have generally been lower since the early part of the Plan period. The National Planning Policy Framework encourages the use of brownfield sites but does not set a national target. The high level of greenfield development in South Derbyshire is a result of the high level of housing growth required and lack of availability of previously developed land. Further information on previously developed land is provided in the section on the Brownfield Land Register.



Local Plan Allocations

The Adopted Part 1 and Part 2 Local Plans include 32 allocations ranging in size from 10 dwellings to 2,239 dwellings. The Local Plan Part 1 includes 18 strategic allocations which will deliver around 12,700 homes (although a number of sites will not be fully built out by the end of the Plan period); the Local Plan Part 2 includes 14 non-strategic allocations which cumulatively will deliver at least 600 dwellings. Many of these allocations benefit from planning consent and are currently under construction.

Remaining Supply

- **Sites with Planning Permission:** Large sites with full or outline planning permission (including those with a Council resolution to approve pending the completion of legal agreements), have remaining capacity for a total of 6781 dwellings.
- **Windfall estimates:** An allowance has been included of 38 dwellings per year based on annual average completions on unallocated brownfield sites within settlement boundaries with planning permission for ten dwellings or more over the past five years.
- **Small Sites:** There are 297 dwellings with planning permission on small sites.
- **Losses:** An allowance for 13 dwelling losses per annum has been included in the trajectory. This figure is based on previous rates of losses.

It is expected that 4940 dwellings on large sites (with planning permission) and 256 dwellings on small site sites (with planning permission) will contribute to the housing land supply to 2028. At 1 April 2022, 844 dwellings were under construction.

For further information on large sites with planning permission please view the Housing Position Paper at Appendix B.

Affordable Housing Completions

The number of affordable housing completions is monitored alongside general market housing completions. The number of affordable homes completed during the first three years of the Plan period was relatively low with 33 affordable housing completions in 2011/12 and 2012/13 and 23 affordable housing completions in 2013/14. However, in 2014/15 affordable housing completions rose substantially to 97 and continued to do so with 107 completions in 2015/16, 185 completions in 2016/17, 180 completions in 2017/18, 225 completions in 2018/19, 291 completions in 2019/20 and 165 completions in 2020/21. The number of affordable homes completed in the 2021/22 monitoring period was 156, partially reflecting lower rates of housing delivery overall which may have been due to the COVID19 pandemic. The breakdown of tenure of these homes is set out in Table 4 below.



Table 4: Gross Affordable Housing Completions 2021/22

Social Rented Homes	Shared Ownership	Affordable Rented Homes	Affordable Homes Total
21	34	101	156

Dwelling Type Monitoring

Completions are recorded on a site basis. Table 5 below shows the numbers and percentages of completions in 2021/22 categorised by type of dwelling and number of bedrooms.

There was a decrease in the number of four bed houses (301 completions) in comparison with the previous year (338 completions) and bungalows (15 completions) in comparison with the previous year (23 completions). There was an increase in the number of flats (37 completions) compared to last year (9 completions).

Table 5: Gross Completions by Dwelling Type and Size

Dwelling Type	1 Bed	% 1 Bed	2 Bed	% 2 Bed	3 Bed	% 3 Bed	4 Bed	5+ Bed	Total	Dwelling Type %
Bungalow	0	0	11	73.3	4	26.7	0	0	15	1.6
Flat or Apartment or Maisonette	27	73.0	10	27.0	0	0.0	0	0	37	4.0
House	12	1.4	144	16.3	385	43.6	301	41	883	94.4
Total (gross)	39	4.2	165	17.6	389	41.5	301	41	935	

Gypsy and Travellers

A Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment (GTAA) covering Derbyshire, the Peak District National Park and East Staffordshire was jointly commissioned and subsequently published in June 2015. This study identified a need for South Derbyshire of 38 new pitches over the period 1 April 2014 – 31 March 2034, of which 14 pitches were to be delivered in the first five years. Beyond March 2019 the identified need for new pitches for each five-year period is seven, eight and nine respectively.



During the 2021/22 monitoring year 1 permanent traveller pitch was granted planning consent.

Self-Build

The Self-build and Custom Housebuilding Act 2015 places a duty on local authorities to keep and publish a register of individuals and community groups (associations of individuals) locally who want to acquire land for self-build homes and to have regard to these registers in carrying out the following functions; planning, housing, the disposal of any land by the authority and regeneration.

Local authorities must give suitable development permission to enough suitable serviced plots of land to meet the demand for self-build and custom housebuilding in their area. The level of demand is established by reference to the number of entries added to an authority's register during a base period.

The first base period began on the day on which the register (which meets the requirement of the 2015 Act) was established and ended on 30 October 2016. Each subsequent base period comprises the 12 months beginning immediately after the end of the previous base period. Subsequent base periods therefore run from 31 October to 30 October each year. At the end of each base period, relevant authorities have three years in which to permission as many plots of land suitable for self-build and custom housebuilding as there are register entries for that base period.

At the close of the fifth base period ending 30 October 2021, there were 82 individuals recorded on the Council's self-build register of which 14 were added during the 12-month period (ending 30 October 2021). Between the end of the fifth base period, ending 30 October 2020, and the end of the sixth base period, ending 30 October 2021, planning permission was granted for 29 single residential units, including 10 provided through the conversion of existing buildings.

Employment

The total industrial and business land need outside the Derby Urban Area within South Derbyshire between April 2011 and March 2028 is 47.27ha. Between that date and 31 March 2022, 38.17ha had been completed (see Table 7). As at 31 March 2022, a further 44.36ha had planning consent, 21.82ha were under construction and 18.71ha did not yet have planning consent but was allocated for industrial and business development in the Local Plan Part 1 (see Table 8). Gross employment land provision within the District, therefore, measured 137.58ha. Since April 2011, 24.77ha of established industrial and business land had been lost to other uses.



Table 6: Total Land and Floor Space Gained and Lost and Proportion of Gains on Previously Developed Land by Use Class 1 April 2021– 31 March 2022

Description		E(g)(I)	E(g)(ii)	E(g)(iii)	B2	B8	Mixed	Total
Employment land developed or lost in 2021/22 by type.	Gains (ha)	0	0	0	0.06	0.23	0.00	0.29
	Losses (ha)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Employment floor space developed or lost in 2021/22 by type	Gains (sqm)	0	0	150	1190	369	0	1709
	Losses (sqm)	44	0	0	0	0	0	44
Floor space developed for employment in 2021/22 on previously developed land.	Gains (sqm)	0	0	150	871	250	0	1271
	% of gains on PDL	0	0	100	73.2	0.68	0	74.37

Table 7: Completed Employment Sites April 2011 – 31 March 2022

A. Sites Completed since 2011	Area (ha.)
Former Bretby Hotel and Conference Centre	1.35
Nestle, Marston Lane, Hatton	12.91
Park Road, Newhall	1.62
Dove Valley Park, Foston	2.32
Keystone Lintels, Swadlincote	2.00
ATL Foston	1.34
Tetron Point, Swadlincote	2.65
Small sites (less than 1ha)	114.26
Total	38.17



Table 8: Employment Land Under Construction; with Planning Permission or Allocated in the Local Plan but Without Planning Permission; and Losses at 31st March 2022

B. Sites Under Construction	Area (ha.)
Small sites combined (all less than 1ha)	2.21
Woodyard Lane , Foston	3.22
Dove Valley Business Park	16.39
Total	21.82
C. Sites with Planning Permission	
Tetron Point, Swadlincote	3.81
Dove Valley Park, Foston	23.77
Former Ministry of Defence Depot, Hilton	3.02
Former Drakelow Power Station	2.50
South of Cadley Hill Industrial Estate	3.00
ATL, Foston	3.32
Sinfin Lane, Barrow on Trent	2.22
Park Road, Newhall	1.00
Badger Farm , Hilton	1.00
Small sites combined (all less than 1ha.)	0.72
Total	44.36
D. Local Plan Allocations without Planning Permission	
Hilton	3.71
Cadley Hill	3
Woodville Regeneration Area	12
Total	18.71
Total (A+B+C+D)	123.06
Loss of Employment Land	
Total Losses since 1st April 2011	24.77



Retail and Town Centre

The Council currently monitors vacancy rates in Swadlincote Town Centre annually as part of the Council's town centre benchmarking scheme. The latest available data for the 2021/22 monitoring year is from October 2021.

At that point 180 retail, leisure, and office ground floor units were recorded for monitoring purposes in Swadlincote town centre of which 72 were Use Class E(a) retail units.

In total, 10 ground floor retail, office and leisure units were recorded as being vacant with a combined floor area of 1522 sqm, representing 5.56% of all such units and 2.92% of all such floorspace. The location of vacant units is shown in Fig. 1.

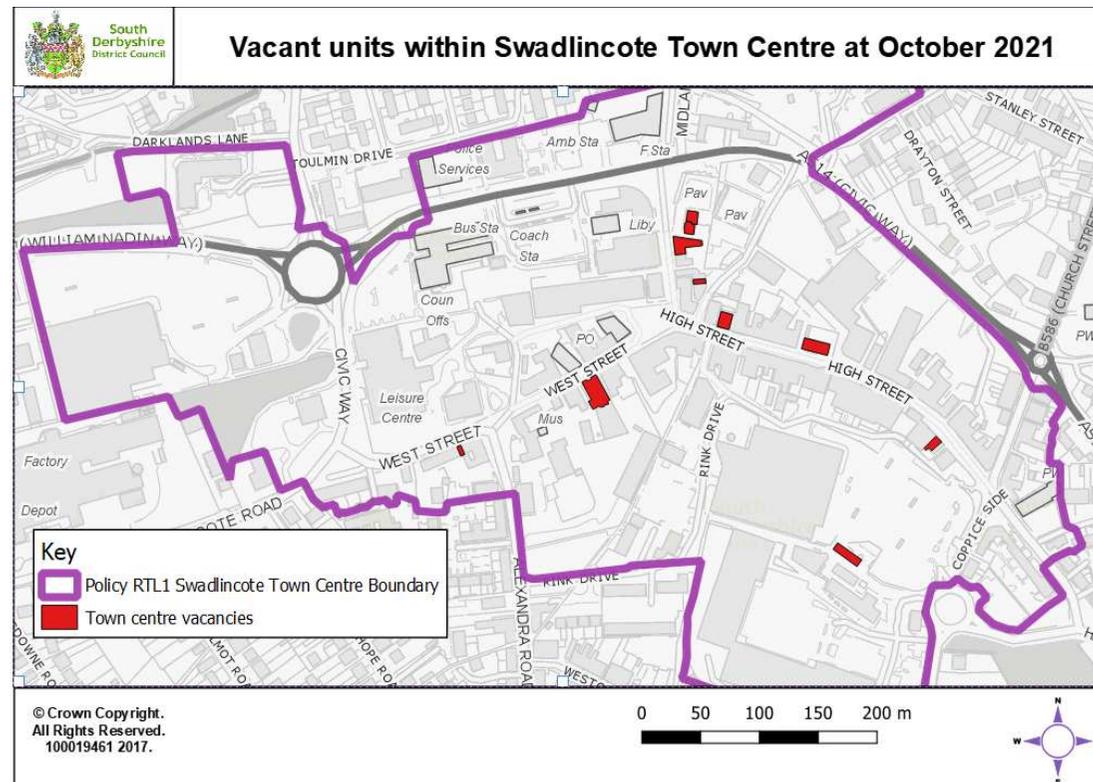


Figure 1: Vacant Units in Swadlincote as recorded in October 2021



Regeneration Brownfield Land Register

Regulation 3 of the Town and Country Planning (Brownfield Land Register) Regulations 2017 requires local planning authorities in England to prepare, maintain and publish registers of previously developed (brownfield) land by 31 December. The registers are intended to provide information on sites that local authorities consider to be appropriate for residential development. Brownfield sites that meet the relevant criteria must be entered in Part 1 of brownfield land registers. Sites entered in Part 2 of the brownfield land registers are granted permission in principle. Regulation 17 requires local planning authorities to review their registers at least once a year. The published register for 2021 comprises 17 current sites, all contained within Part 1 of the register, with a total combined land area of 81.6ha. It may be viewed on the District Council website [here](#).

Infrastructure

On 1 September 2019, the Community Infrastructure Levy (Amendment) (England) (No. 2) Regulations 2019 came into force, requiring that all authorities in receipt of contributions received through planning obligations (also known as Section 106 contributions) must produce an annual Infrastructure Funding Statement (IFS). The third of these IFSs is to be published by 31 December 2022 relating to the previous financial year, i.e. the monitoring year to which this AMR relates. The IFS provides various breakdowns of the Section 106 monies, as is required by the Regulations and the IFS itself is available [here](#). During the 2021/22 monitoring year the **Woodville to Swadlincote Regeneration Route** was completed.



Appendix A: Policy Monitoring (based on Monitoring and Implementation Tables for LPP1 and LPP2)

Indicator	Policy Number	Policy Name	Plan	Performance												
Spatial Strategy Policies																
Number of planning applications which go to appeal and are subsequently granted planning permission	S2	Presumption in Favour of Sustainable Development	LPP1	Six applications were allowed at appeal												
Net number of additional dwellings each year	S4	Housing Strategy	LPP1	919 (net) additions. See main text for further information												
Five Year Housing Land Supply	S4	Housing Strategy	LPP1	See Housing Position Paper at Appendix B												
Annual net additional employment floor space and net employment land	S5	Employment Land Need	LPP1	Floor space and land, net of losses, delivered in the monitoring period were +1709 sqm and 0.29 ha respectively.												
Amount of vacant ground floor retail, office and leisure floorspace in Swadlincote Town Centre	S7	Retail	LPP1	10 by number of units (5.56% of all ground floor retail, leisure and office use) or 2.92% by floor area. See main text for further information												
Amount of new development granted within the Green Belt, including conversion, reuse of buildings and new buildings (excluding householder extensions)	S8	Green Belt	LPP1	Two applications for new development were granted in the Green Belt												
Settlement Development Policies																
Number of applications (full or outline on major sites) for market housing granted consent outside of the settlement boundaries	SDT1	Settlement Boundaries and Development	LPP2	There were none consented outside of settlement boundaries (and contrary to the development plan) in the monitoring period.												
Housing Policies																
Net additional dwellings by category of the settlement hierarchy	H1		LPP1	<table border="0"> <tr> <td>Derby UA</td> <td>350 dwellings</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Burton UA</td> <td>13 dwellings</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Swadlincote</td> <td>216 dwellings</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Key Service Villages</td> <td>281 dwellings</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Local Service Villages</td> <td>23 dwellings</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Rural villages /areas</td> <td>36 dwellings</td> </tr> </table>	Derby UA	350 dwellings	Burton UA	13 dwellings	Swadlincote	216 dwellings	Key Service Villages	281 dwellings	Local Service Villages	23 dwellings	Rural villages /areas	36 dwellings
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Meet policy requirements, including site specific policy requirements	H2-H19	Strategic Housing Site Policies	LPP2	No strategic housing sites were completed during this monitoring year.												
The number of dwelling types built each year	H20	Housing Balance	LPP1	See main body of this report												



The number of market, social and intermediate housing constructed annually	H20	Housing Balance	LPP1	See main body of this report
Density of wholly completed sites or phases	H20	Housing Balance	LPP1	Twelve sites or phases of 10 dwellings or more were completed within monitoring year, comprising a total of 1983 dwellings on a gross area of 96.11 ha, giving an average of 20.63 dwellings per hectare
Annual affordable housing completions including the number of social rented and intermediate affordable housing	H21	Affordable Housing	LPP1	See main body of this report
The number of dwellings annually completed on exception sites	H21	Affordable Housing	LPP1	None
Number of additional pitches granted planning permission annually	H22	Sites for Gypsies and Travellers and Travelling Show people	LPP1	During the 2021/22 monitoring year one permanent traveller pitch was granted permission
Meet policy including site specific policy requirements	H23	Non-Strategic Housing Site Policies	LPP2	Policy H23E, Acresford Road, Overseal and H23G, Milton Road, Repton was completed during this monitoring year.
Number of planning applications for replacement dwellings in rural areas (outside of settlement boundaries)	H24	Replacement dwellings in the countryside	LPP2	Two applications for replacement dwellings outside of settlement boundaries were recorded in the monitoring period, which were granted consent.
Number of rural worker dwellings consented in the monitoring period	H25	Rural Workers	LPP2	No permissions for permanent workers dwellings were granted in the monitoring period.
Number of applications for new residential garden land in the countryside	H26	Residential Gardens in the Countryside	LPP2	Two applications were granted planning permission for residential garden use outside of settlement boundaries in the monitoring period.
Number of householder applications lost on appeal	H27	Residential Extensions and Other Householder Development	LPP2	Four appeals were allowed and three were dismissed on appeal.
Applications for change of use to residential Use - class C3(residential conversions) granted planning consent	H28	Residential Conversions	LPP2	19 applications were permitted, including prior notifications for conversion of agricultural buildings to dwellings, in the monitoring period.
Employment and the Economy Policies				



Annual total B1, B2 and B8 floorspace and new land area completion on strategic employment land allocations.	E1	Strategic Employment Land Allocations	LPP1	No new employment land was completed on strategic sites in the monitoring period.
Floor space area for completed units measuring under 100m2 and between 100-500m2 on the identified sites. In policy E1	E1	Strategic Employment Land Allocations	LPP1	No small-scale floor space was completed on sites identified in policy E1.
Annual total B1, B2 and B8 floorspace and new land area completion outside strategic employment land allocations.	E2	Other Industrial and Business Development	LPP1	0.29 ha and 1709 sqm of employment floor space was completed outside of strategic employment sites in the monitoring period.
The amount of employment land area/floor space lost each year to other uses.	E3	Existing Employment Areas	LPP1	0 ha of employment land and 44sqm of employment floor space was lost to other uses in the monitoring period.
Protection of land against development that would prejudice development of the site for intended purpose	E4	Strategic Location for Sinfin Moor Employment site Extension	LPP1	Site remains protected for future extension of Sinfin Moor employment site.
Protection of land against development that would prejudice development of the site for intended purpose	E5	Safeguarded Employment Site – Dove Valley Park	LPP1	No new permissions were granted on land allocated under Policy E5 within the monitoring year.
Completion of new industrial and business development	E6	Woodville Regeneration Area	LPP1	There was no industrial and business development in the Woodville Regeneration Area
Number of rural employment development schemes completed	E7	Rural Development	LPP1	Four rural development schemes were completed in the monitoring period.
Sustainable Development Policies				
Number of planning applications granted annually contrary to Environment Agency advice on water quality grounds	SD1	Amenity and Environmental Quality	LPP1	There were no applications subject to a holding objection on water quality grounds from the EA in the monitoring period.
Number of Air Quality Management Areas (AQMAS) within the District	SD1	Amenity and Environmental Quality	LPP1	There are no AQMAS located within the District.
Number of planning applications granted annually contrary to Environment Agency advice on flood risk grounds	SD2	Flood Risk	LPP1	No applications were subject to a holding objection on flood risk grounds from the EA in the monitoring period.



Proportion of main rivers meeting WFD targets	SD3	Sustainable Water Supply, Drainage and Sewerage Infrastructure	LPP1	Information on WFD monitoring is available to view on the EA website http://environment.data.gov.uk/catchment-planning/RiverBasinDistrict/4
Reduce average consumption of water per household Number of properties consented that required developer to deliver optional standard of Part G of the Building Regulations of 110litres of water per person per day. Based on delivery on sites of 10 or more	SD3	Sustainable Water Supply, Drainage and Sewerage Infrastructure	LPP1	89 homes granted full or reserve matters consent were required to deliver this standard in the monitoring period.
Number of planning applications granted annually with an outstanding objection regarding Contaminated Land or mining legacy issues	SD4	Contaminated Land and Mining Legacy Issues	LPP1	No planning applications have been identified as consented with an outstanding objection regarding contaminated land or mining legacy issues.
Number of planning applications granted annually with an outstanding objection regarding minerals safeguarding	SD5	Minerals Safeguarding	LPP1	No planning applications in the monitoring period were granted with an outstanding minerals safeguarding objection.
Renewable energy capacity in South Derbyshire (on schemes over 1Mw)	SD6	Sustainable Energy and Power Generation	LPP1	There is 63.7 MW of installed renewable energy capacity in South Derbyshire. Of the seven operational schemes, five scheme are solar PV schemes. One scheme is a 1.6Mw landfill gas scheme located in Newhall, and the remaining scheme is a 40Mw battery storage scheme located in Caldwell .³
Built and Natural Environment Policies				
Number of sites granted full or Reserved matters permission within the monitoring period with Building for Life Assessments of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 16 or more • 14-15 • 10-13 • Less than 10 	BNE1	Design Excellence	LPP1	Data unavailable for 2021/22

³ Data from <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/renewable-energy-planning-data>



Number of heritage assets at risk within the District	BNE2	Heritage Assets	LPP1	There are 16 entries on the Heritage at Risk Register in the District. This includes ten buildings and structures, three places of worship, two archaeological assets and one Historic Park and Garden. On the local at risk register (including buildings/structures from grade I-II) there are 47 entries.
Number of Listed Buildings, Conservation areas, Historic Park and Gardens, Schedule Ancient Monuments within the District	BNE2	Heritage Assets	LPP1	There are 714 listed buildings and structures in the District of which 48 are grade I, 48 are grade II* and 618 are grade II There are 22 Scheduled monuments and 22 Conservation Areas in the District There are five historic parks and gardens in the District of which one is grade I, three are grade II* and one is grade II.
Number of Conservation Areas with up-to-date Conservation Area Appraisals.	BNE2	Heritage Assets	LPP1	All 22 Conservation Areas in the District have up to date conservation area appraisals, although some will shortly require review
Change on areas and populations of biodiversity importance including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Change in priority habitats and species (by type) and • Change in areas designated for their intrinsic environmental value including sites for international, national, regional and sub regional importance. 	BNE3	Biodiversity	LPP1	To be updated following information from Derbyshire Wildlife Trust.
Number of applications (full or outline on major sites) for market housing granted consent outside of the settlement boundaries	BNE5	Development in the Countryside	LPP2	No full or outline applications for market housing on major sites outside of settlement boundaries (and contrary to the development Plan) were consented in the monitoring period.
Number of agricultural schemes (excluding losses to other use classes) granted and refused in monitoring period	BNE6	Agricultural Development	LPP2	25 applications or prior notifications for new agricultural buildings were consented in the monitoring period.



Number of Tree Preservation Orders (TPOs) made in monitoring period	BNE7	Trees, Woodland and Hedgerows	LPP2	There were 5 provisional orders made within the monitoring period, the most recent being number 546.
Number of TPOs lost in monitoring period	BNE7	Trees, Woodland and Hedgerows	LPP2	There were 16 TPOs where the felling of trees was permitted within the monitoring period
Adoption of Local Green Space Development Plan Documents	BNE8	Local Green Space	LPP2	Adopted by Full Council 24th September 2020. See main text for further information.
Number of advertisement applications granted and refused in monitoring period	BNE9	Advertisements and Visual Pollution	LPP2	8 applications for advertisement consent were determined in the monitoring period; of these all were approved.
Number of Listed Building consents	BNE10	Heritage	LPP2	36 listed building consents were recorded in the monitoring period.
Number of applications granted for shopfronts in Swadlincote Town Centre in monitoring period	BNE11	Shopfronts	LPP2	One application for changes to existing shopfronts in Swadlincote Town Centre was granted in the monitoring period.
Number of applications on the site against the framework documents for Willington and Drakelow Power Station	BNE12	Former Power Station Land	LPP2	No applications recorded - Development Framework Documents for Power Station sites remain to be prepared.
Retail Policies				
Amount of retail floor space within Swadlincote Town Centre (Use Class E(a))	RTL1	Retail Hierarchy	LPP2	33080m² recorded at October 2021
Amount of completed floor space in new local centres	RTL1	Retail Hierarchy	LPP2	No retail floor space was completed in new local centres within the 21/22 monitoring period.
Loss of retailing facilities to other uses	RTL1	Retail Hierarchy	LPP2	One retail unit has been lost to other uses. This was the loss of a shop at West Street Swadlincote to an alternative use.
Preparation of design briefs for the redevelopment sites	RTL2	Swadlincote Town Centre Potential Redevelopment Locations	LPP2	No design briefs to guide comprehensive development of sites were prepared within the monitoring period.
Infrastructure Policies				



Length of journeys to work – proportion of population travelling more than 20km to work	INF2	Sustainable Transport	LPP1	15.8% of the District Population travels in excess of 20km to work
Mode of travel to work	INF2	Sustainable Transport	LPP1	Car/van 71.11%; work from home 15.15%; on foot 7.8%; bus/minibus 2.09%, on foot 7.84%, Bicycle 1.79%, Train, underground, metro, light rail, tram 0.39%
Implementation of transport infrastructure schemes in the Plan Period.	INF4	Transport Infrastructure Improvement Schemes	LPP1	No transport infrastructure schemes identified in INF4 have been implemented in the period.
Number of planning applications approved with outstanding objection by the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA)	INF5	East Midlands Airport	LPP1	No applications approved with outstanding objection from the CAA
Number of applications for new halls or built recreation facilities annually (excludes extensions or alterations to existing facilities)	INF6	Community Facilities	LPP1	No applications for new halls or built recreations facilities granted.
Change in areas of biodiversity importance	INF7	Green Infrastructure	LPP1	To be updated following information from Derbyshire Wildlife Trust.
New National Forest Planting within the District annually	INF8	The National Forest	LPP1	32.7 hectares planted between 1st April 2021- 31st March 2022.
Number of planning applications approved with outstanding objections from Sport England	INF9	Open Space, Sport and Recreation	LPP1	No applications have been identified as consented with an outstanding objection from Sport England in Monitoring period
Net increase/ decrease in playing pitches within the District	INF9	Open Space, Sport and Recreation	LPP1	There were no changes to the amount of playing pitches within the District.
Number of new self-catering holiday units and pitches	INF10	Tourism Development	LPP1	Five applications were consented for holiday lets. No camping or caravanning pitches were consented in the monitoring period.
Number of applications granted for telecommunications	INF11	Telecommunications	LPP2	Two telecommunications Prior Notification applications were received and consented in the monitoring period.







**SOUTH DERBYSHIRE
AUTHORITY MONITORING
REPORT APPENDIX 2:
HOUSING POSITION PAPER**

Introduction

1. This report is published as the most up to date housing position for South Derbyshire District Council. The Local Plan Parts 1 & 2 sets out the housing sites required in order to meet the housing target in the Local Plan of 12,618. This target includes a contribution of 3,013 dwellings towards meeting some of Derby City's unmet housing need. The period covered by the Plan is 2011 to 2028.

National Policy and Guidance

- 2 National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF), paragraph 60, states the Government objective to significantly boost the supply of homes. It sets out the requirement for Local Planning Authorities to identify a supply of specific deliverable sites sufficient to provide a minimum of five years' worth of housing against their requirement set out in adopted strategic policies, or against their local housing need where the strategic policies are more than five years old (paragraph 74).
- 3 The importance of the five-year supply and Housing Delivery Test is outlined in paragraph 11 of the NPPF. This states that where a supply of deliverable sites cannot be demonstrated, or where the Housing Delivery Test (HDT) indicates that the delivery of housing was less than 75% of the housing requirement over the previous three years, the Council's housing policies would be considered out-of-date. In this situation housing development should be determined against a presumption in favour of sustainable development.
- 4 The NPPF paragraph 74 states the five-year housing land supply should be assessed against local need where the Local Plan is more than five years old, indicating that this should be calculated using the standard method set out in National Planning Guidance.
- 5 National Planning Practice Guidance (NPPG) indicates that all local authorities will need to carry out an annual assessment of their five-year land supply in a robust and timely fashion, based on up to date and sound evidence. This paper includes completions on sites for the 2021/22 monitoring period, and up to date information on the progress of each housing site within the housing supply.

Derby Housing Market Area

- 6 South Derbyshire has worked alongside Derby City Council and Amber Valley Borough Council as part of the Derby Housing Market Area (HMA) since 2009. A considerable amount of work has been undertaken and subsequently examined on setting a housing target for the three authorities. This target was split across the three authorities taking account of Derby not being able to meet all of its housing needs.

- 7 It has been agreed collectively by the HMA Authorities that Derby City cannot provide more than 11,000 dwellings in the period up to 2028. Derby adopted its Local Plan Part 1 on 25 January 2017.
- 8 Amber Valley Borough Council withdrew its emerging Plan in May 2019 and is now working towards adoption in 2023.

South Derbyshire

- 9 The selection of sites for allocation in the Local Plan was undertaken using the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA). All sites submitted were assessed and the information is held on Derbyshire County Council's website at: <https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/environment/planning/planning-policy/land-availability/derby-hma/districts/south-derbyshire/south-derbyshire.aspx>
- 10 The District Council is in the process of reviewing its evidence base in preparation for a Local Plan review and, as part of this, is undertaking a Strategic Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment (SHELAA). As the first stage in this exercise a 'Call for Sites' was launched on 3 October 2019. Assessments of submitted sites are available to view on the Council's website [Strategic Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment | South Derbyshire District Council](#)
- 11 As noted in paragraph 4, the NPPF states that where a Local Plan is more than five years the housing land supply should be calculated using the standard method. The process for calculating housing need using the standard method is set out in National Planning Practice Guidance [Housing and economic needs assessment - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#). As at June 2021, five years had passed since the adoption of the South Derbyshire Local Plan Part 1. The standard method currently gives an annual requirement of 536 dwellings, as opposed the Local Plan based annual target of 742. However, the Local Plan target includes part of the need generated within Derby City whilst the standard method does not (see paragraph 1). It has, therefore, been decided that the South Derbyshire five year housing land supply should be calculated using both the Local Plan target and the housing need figure derived using the standard method pending consideration of the appropriate distribution of housing provision among the three HMA local authorities in the context of their respective Local Plan reviews.
- 12 South Derbyshire District Council has begun the process of reviewing its Local Plan through evidence gathering and in October 2022, the publication of its Issues and Options consultation document. It is intended that the emerging Local Plan should be adopted by the end of 2024.

Past Housing Delivery & Buffers

- 13 The net number of completed dwellings from the start of the plan period in 2011 can be seen in Table 1 below. A total of 8218 dwellings have been built over the ten-year period to 31 March 2022, which is an average of approximately 747 dwellings per year. Table 2 sets out gross completions by dwelling type per monitoring year.

Table 1: Net completions by year

Year	Net Completions
2011/12	378
2012/13	274
2013/14	385
2014/15	420
2015/16	569
2016/17	820
2017/18	921
2018/19	1218
2019/20	1285
2020/21	1029
2021/22	919
TOTAL	8218

Table 2: Gross completions by Dwelling Type per Monitoring Year

Monitoring period	Dwelling Type					Total (Gross)
	Market	Social Rented	Intermediate	Affordable Rent	Discount Low Cost	
2011-12	364	24	9	0		397
2012-13	248	25	8	0		281
2013-14	376	23	0	0		399
2014-15	341	10	23	64		438
2015-16	477	51	12	44		584
2016-17	648	123	6	30	26	833
2017-18	754	84	52	44		934
2018/19	1005	99	43	83		1230
2019/20	1001	112	75	104		1292
1920/21	870	45	50	70		1035
2021/22	779	21	34	101		935

- 14 In order to help boost supply, the NPPF (para. 74) requires the inclusion of an additional buffer of at least 5% to ensure choice and competition in the market for land, or 20% if there has been significant under delivery over the previous three years.
- 15 The Housing Delivery Test Measurement Rule Book, published by the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG), sets out the formula to be applied as follows:

$$\text{Housing Delivery Test (\%)} = \frac{\text{Total net homes delivered over three-year period}}{\text{Total number of homes required over three-year period}}$$

- 16 The combined number of homes delivered over monitoring years 19/20 (1285), 20/21 (1029) and 21/22 (919) in South Derbyshire is **3,233**. The total of number of homes required per year in South Derbyshire as an annual average, based upon the strategic requirement identified in the Local Plan Part 1 Policy S4, is 742, which over a three-year period of the HDT is **2,226**.

$$\text{Thus, the Housing Delivery Test percentage} = \frac{3233}{2226} \times \frac{100}{1} = 145.23\%$$

Windfalls

- 17 Windfalls are sites not specifically identified in the development plan.
- 18 To arrive at an annual windfall completion assumption the average number of homes completed with planning permission for ten dwellings or more over the past six years (the period since Local Plan Part 1 was adopted) has been calculated, as shown in Table 3.

Table 3. Completions on unallocated sites with planning permission for ten dwellings or more 1 April 2016 – 31 March 2022*

Site	Number of homes completed
Bretby Pottery, Woodville	27
Calder Aluminium, Willington	38
Alexander Road, Swadlincote	9
Eureka Lodge, Swadlincote	13
Former Dilkes Garage, Swadlincote	15
The Woodlands, Swadlincote	10
Kathglow, Dominion Road, Swadlincote	6
York Road, Church Gresley	13
Yard Close, Swadlincote	38
Rose Hill, Swadlincote	30
Hartshorne Road, Woodville	11
Castle Hotel, Hatton	13
Askew Lodge, Repton	13
The Woodlands, Church Gresley	10
Oversetts Road, Newhall	12
Total	258
Six-year average	43

* Excludes any sites permitted at appeal due to lack of a five year housing land supply.

- 19 To avoid any overlap with home completions from this source already accounted for, the average completion rate of 43 per annum has only been applied for years three, four and five of the five-year period, the point beyond which any current unimplemented full or reserved matters planning consent, as at 31 March 2022, would lapse.

Non-implementation rate on small sites

- 20 It is expected that not all smaller sites will be built, therefore a non-implementation rate has been applied to those sites under 10 dwellings.
- 21 It is assumed that anything that is under construction will be completed within a five-year period but that any sites without a start will have a 25% reduction applied to account for non-implementation on some sites.

Table 4: Non-implementation totals

Small Sites	Not started	Under construction	
	164	133	
Total to be counted	123	133	256

- 22 This equates to 42 dwellings a year over a six-year period arising from completions on small sites.

- 23 A non-implementation rate is not applied to the larger sites as more detailed site delivery information is known, and it is recognised in the housing trajectory that only a proportion will come forward in the five-year supply. Local Plan Part 1 indicates that on three allocations: Wragley Way (Policy H15), Drakelow (H6) and Land West of Mickleover (H19), not all of the dwellings are expected to be built within the Plan Period.

Losses

- 24 An assumption of the loss of 13 dwellings per annum is made in the trajectory based on the average number of losses recorded per annum since the 2011/12 monitoring year, as set out in Table 5.

Table 5: Losses

Year	Losses
2011/12	19
2012/13	7
2013/14	14
2014/15	18
2015/16	15
2016/17	13
2017/18	13
2018/19	12
2019/20	7
2020/21	6
2021/22	16

Deliverable & Developable Sites

- 25 The NPPF glossary states that to be considered deliverable, sites *“should be available now, offer a suitable location for development now, and be achievable with a realistic prospect that housing will be delivered on the site within five years.”*

- 26 It goes on to say that in particular:

- a) *“sites which do not involve major development and have planning permission, and all sites with detailed planning permission, should be considered deliverable until permission expires, unless there is clear evidence that homes will not be delivered within five years (for example because they are no longer viable, there is no longer a demand for the type of units or sites have long term phasing plans.”*
- b) *“where a site has outline planning permission for major development, has been allocated in a development plan, has a grant of permission in principle, or is identified on a brownfield register, it should only be considered deliverable where there is clear evidence that housing completions will begin on site within five years.”*

- 27 Table 6 summarises the current position regarding all major housing sites within the District. In response to requests from the Local Planning Authority many site promoters and developers have provided forecasts to assist in the preparation of the housing trajectory at Table 10.
- 28 Table 7 indicates the current position regarding commitments and completions for small sites (fewer than 10 dwellings) by parish.
- 29 The five-year housing land supply calculation using the Local Plan housing requirement is set out in Table 8 whilst the same calculation using the standard method is set out in Table 9.

Table 6: Site Status

Site	Current Status	Total commitments/capacity	Total completions 2011-2022	Completions 21/22	Under construction at 31 March 2022	Progress Commentary	Any Required Interventions
Local Plan Part 1 sites with full or reserved matters planning permission							
Policy H2: Land north of William Nadin Way, Swadlincote: Park Road, Newhall. Site A	Outline planning permission, reserved matters planning application submitted.	68	0	0	0	Reserved matters planning application approved. Cameron Homes on site and have provided completions forecast.	None
Policy H2: Land to the north of William Nadin Way (Site C)	Under construction	400	125	50	68	Development being delivered by Avant Homes.	None
Policy H3: Land at Church Street/Bridge Street/Moat Street, Swadlincote	Outline planning permission. Reserved matters application submitted	306	0	0	0	Reserved matters planning application approved. Taylor Wimpey to deliver and have provided completions forecast.	Timely determination of reserved matters application.
Policy H4: Broomy Farm, Woodville Road, Woodville	Under construction. Reserved matters/full applications granted for phase 1 (180 dwellings), phase 2a (70 dwellings), phase 3 (148 dwellings) and phase 4 (189 dwellings).	587	101	39	118	Development being delivered by Bellway Homes. Bellway has provided completions forecast.	Timely completion of S106 agreement.
Policy H6: Drakelow Park	Phase 1 complete, Phase 2 under construction	2239	193	14	0	David Wilson development complete (Phase 1). Development of the site is currently capped at 400 dwellings pending the completion of the Walton Bypass, needed for transport mitigation. Construction of the Bypass anticipated to be completed during 2023. Reserved matters planning consent for 1036 dwellings will facilitate housing delivery going forwards. Awaiting discharge of pre-commencement conditions. Countryside has provided a completions forecast.	Timely discharge of pre-commencement conditions.
Policy H7: Hilton Depot, The Mease, Hilton	Under construction	483	388	107	63	Completion rate higher than had been anticipated in HPP Jan 201. Phase 1 complete. St Modwen on site developing phase 2. Persimmon on site developing phase 3. Persimmon has provided completions forecast for phase 3.	None

Site	Current Status	Total commitments/capacity	Total completions 2011-2022	Completions 21/22	Under construction at 31 March 2022	Progress Commentary	Any Required Interventions
Local Plan Part 1 sites with full or reserved matters planning permission (cont.)							
Policy H11: Land NE of Hatton	Under construction.	385	94	62	78	Developer, Bellway, on site with two outlets. Bellway has provided a completions forecast.	None
Policy H12: Highfields Farm	Under construction.	1064	1031	57	19	Meadowview Homes remaining on site.	None
Policy H13: Boulton Moor Phase 1	Reserved matters consent granted for 901 dwellings. Under construction.	1058 (plus 71)	677	76	51	Persimmon Homes on site. Reserved matters applications for remaining phases approved (which adds up to 71 Use Class C3 dwellings to the site total), S106 agreement in preparation. Persimmon and the landowner of the remainder of the site have provided completions forecasts.	Timely completion of S106 agreement and determination of anticipated reserved matters planning applications for remaining phases.
Policy H14: Chellaston Fields	Under construction.	450	397	61	53	Persimmon Homes on site. Delivering completions at a faster rate than had been anticipated in the HPP Jan 2021. Persimmon has provided a completions forecast.	None
Policy H15: Wragley Way (Phase1)	Under construction	94	0	0	0	Davidsons on site.	None
Policy H17: Holmleigh Way, Chellaston	Under construction.	119	110	23	9	Bellway Homes on site. Delivery at a faster rate than had been anticipated in HPP Feb 2020. Bellway has provided a completions forecast.	None
Policy H18: Hackwood Farm, Mickleover	Reserved matters consent granted.	290	0	0	0	This is part of a larger cross-boundary site, the greater part lying within Derby City. Site being delivered by Miller Homes and Bellway Homes. Phases within South Derbyshire are under construction with first completions expected in 2022/23.	None
Policy H19: Land West of Mickleover, Phase 1	Complete	288	288	20	0	Complete	None
Policy H19: Land West of Mickleover, Phase 2	Under construction	252	225	73	27	Bloor Homes on site. Delivery rate higher than had been anticipated in HPP Jan 2021.	None
Policy H19: Land West of Mickleover, Phase 3a	Under construction	317	103	40	105	Avant Homes on site. Site promoter has provided a completions' forecast, accompanying application DMPA/2022/1153 (see Policy H19 Land West of Mickleover Phase 3b, below).	None

Site	Current Status	Total commitments/capacity	Total completions 2011-2022	Completions 21/22	Under construction at 31 March 2022	Progress Commentary	Any Required Interventions
Local Plan Part 1 sites with outline planning permission							
Policy H13: Boulton Moor Elvaston, Phase 2	Outline planning permission. Section 106 agreement completed. S106 Deed of Variation being negotiated.	550	0	0	0	Awaiting completion of S106 Deed of Variation and submission of reserved matters application. Landowner has provided a completions forecast.	Timely completion of S106 Deed of Variation and determination of anticipated reserved matters planning application.
Policy H19: Land West of Mickleover, Phase 3b	Outline permission granted. S106 agreement completed.	789	0	0	0	A reserved matters planning application for development, including 687 dwellings (DMPA/2022/0996), has been submitted and is awaiting determination. Condition 31 of outline planning consent 9/2020/0543 restricts occupation of the development to no more than 317 dwellings prior to the commencement of grade separation works by National Highways of the A38 Kingsway junction. The site promoter has submitted application DMPA/2022/1153 to vary the above condition to allow 617 dwellings within the development be occupied prior to the commencement of the grade separation works. The transport modelling material submitted with planning application DMPA/2022/1153 includes a housing completions' forecast.	Timely determination of planning applications DMPA/2022/0996 and DMPA/2022/1153 to allow continued development following completion of phase 3a.
Policy E6: Woodville Regeneration Area	Outline planning permission, S106 agreement completed.	300	0	0	0	Reserved matters planning application for phase 1 residential development (75 dwellings) has been submitted and is awaiting determination. Harworth has provided a completions' forecast.	Timely determination of reserved matters planning applications.

Site	Current Status	Total commitments/capacity	Total completions 2011-2022	Completions 21/22	Under construction at 31 March 2022	Progress Commentary	Any Required Interventions
Local Plan Part 1 Allocations with outline planning application pending							
Policy H15: Wragley Way, (Phase 2)	Outline planning application under consideration, Section 106 work underway.	1850	0	0	0	Outline application awaiting determination. Site forms part of Infinity Garden Village, with funding from Government.	Site forms part of Infinity Garden Village, with funding from Government. Planning application for the South Derby Integrated Transport Link and new A50 junction, which will support the delivery of this site, has been approved by Derbyshire County Council and Derby City Council. S106 agreement to be completed.
Policy H16: Primula Way, Stenson	Outline planning application under consideration.	500	0	0	0	Outline application submitted and awaiting determination. Site promoter has provided a completions forecast, although the Council has taken a more cautious view of delivery timescales.	Timely determination of outline planning application.
Local Plan Part 1 Allocations without planning permission							
Policy H13: Boulton Moor, Elvaston, Phase 3	Awaiting outline planning application	190	0	0	0	Highway mitigation under phase 2 agreed through S106 agreement, which also addresses the phase 3 highway mitigation requirements. Landowner has provided a completions forecast.	Awaiting submission of outline planning application.

Site	Current Status	Total commitments/capacity	Total completions 2011-2022	Completions 21/22	Under construction at 31 March 2022	Progress Commentary	Any Required Interventions
Local Plan Part 2 allocations with full or reserved matters planning permission							
Policy H23E: Acresford Road, Overseal	Complete	70	70	12	0	Complete	None
Policy H23C: Derby Road, Hilton	Under construction	45	36	29	9	Bellway on site. Completions progressing at the rate anticipated in HPP Jan 2021. Developer has provided a completions' forecast.	None
Policy H23G: Milton Road, Repton	Complete	25	25	5	0	Complete	None
Policy H23D: Station Road, Melbourne	Under construction	46	0	0	18	Davidsons on site. Site preparation works underway. Davidsons has provided a completions' forecast.	None
H23B: Jacksons Lane, Etwall	Reserved matters planning permission.	50	0	0	0	Redrow Homes to deliver site. Redrow has provided a completions' forecast.	Timely determination of reserved matters planning application.
Policy H23J: Oak Close, Castle Gresley	Full planning permission	70	0	0	0	Full planning permission granted as appeal against refusal of planning application DMPA/2019/1176 was upheld.	None

Site	Current Status	Total commitments/capacity	Total completions 2011-2022	Completions 21/22	Under construction at 31 March 2022	Progress Commentary	Any Required Interventions
Local Plan Part 2 allocations with outline planning permission							
Policy H23L: Scropton Lane, Scropton	Outline planning permission.	10	0	0	0	Awaiting submission of reserved matters planning application.	Submission and determination of reserved matters planning application.
Local Plan Part 2 allocations without outline planning consent or application							
Policy H23I: Kingfisher Way, Willington	Awaiting submission of planning application.	50	0	0	0	Awaiting submission of planning application.	Liaise with site owner to assist in progressing pre-application work.
Policy H23M: Montracon, Swadlincote	Awaiting submission of planning application	95	0	0	0	Site purchased for re-use by an industrial concern and therefore unlikely to come forward for housing development.	Maintain contact with site owner in regard to intentions concerning the future use of the site.
Policy H23N: Stenson Fields	Pre-application discussions continuing.	50	0	0	0	Site owned by Derby City Council. Active discussions within City Council continue concerning options for disposal/development. Derby City Council has provided a completions forecast	Liaise with Derby City Council and any site purchaser to assist in progressing pre-application work.

Site	Current Status	Total commitments/capacity	Total completions 2011-2022	Completions 21/22	Under construction at 31 March 2022	Progress Commentary	Any Required Interventions
Non-allocated sites with full or reserved matters planning consent							
47-51 Alexandra Road, Swadlincote	Under construction	12	9	0	3	Site being constructed on a gradual basis. Planning permission for 3 remaining plots to be constructed approved December 2019.	None
Kathglow, Dominion Road, Swadlincote	Under construction	12	8	0	0	Site being constructed on a gradual basis.	None
Rosliston Road South, Drakelow	Under construction	71	57	24	14	Lioncourt Homes on site.	None
Court Street, Woodville	Reserved matters planning consent	14	0	0	0	Awaiting discharge of pre-commencement conditions.	Timely discharge of pre-commencement conditions
Calder Aluminium, Willington	Under construction	39	38	2	1	Fairgrove Homes on site.	None
Coppice Side, Swadlincote	Part implemented (access) Reserved matters planning consent	20	0	0	0	Awaiting discharge of pre-commencement conditions. Certificate of Lawful Use (9/2017/1377) states that permission has been implemented.	Timely discharge of pre-commencement conditions
York Close, Church Gresley	Under construction	10	0	0	3	Under construction	Timely discharge of pre-commencement conditions

Site	Current Status	Total commitments/capacity	Total completions 2011-2022	Completions 21/22	Under construction at 31 March 2022	Progress Commentary	Any Required Interventions
Non-allocated sites with full or reserved matters planning consent (cont.)							
Coppice Side, Swadlincote	Full planning consent.	18	0	0	18	Under construction	None
Mandarin, Egginton Road, Hilton	Under construction	34	28	28	6	Owl Homes on site. Developer has provided a completions forecast.	None
Court Street, Woodville	Complete	72	72	25	0	Complete.	None
Park Road, Church Gresley	Under construction	14	0	0	14	Under construction	None
Askew Lodge, Milton Road, Repton	Complete	13	13	13	0	Complete	None
Moira Road, Overseal	Complete	10	10	4	0	Complete	None
Castle Hotel, Hatton	Complete	13	13	13	0	Complete	None
Orchard Street, Newhall	Under construction	25	0	0	20	Bowsall Developments Ltd. And Trent and Dove Housing on site.	None
Burton Road, Rosliston	Complete	10	10	10	0	Complete	None
Woodville Road, Hartshorne (former Snooty Fox pub)	Complete	11	11	11	0	Complete	None
Micklemeadow Farm, Rykneld Road	Outline planning consent.	14	0	0	0	Awaiting submission of reserved matters planning application.	Timely determination of reserved matters planning application
Woodville Road, Hartshorne	Under construction	13	0	0	13	Under construction	Timely discharge of pre-commencement conditions
Lucas Lane, Hilton	Reserved matters planning consent	57	0	0	0	Awaiting discharge of pre-commencement conditions	Timely discharge of pre-commencement conditions

Site	Current Status	Total commitments/ capacity	Total completions 2011-2022	Completions 21/22	Under construction at 31 March 2022	Progress Commentary	Any Required Interventions
Non-allocated Sites with outline or pending planning consents							
, Castle Road, Castle Gresley	Outline planning consent	14	0	0	0	Reserved matters planning application awaited.	Timely determination of any reserved matters application.

Table 7: Small Sites by Parish

Parish Name	Dwellings on small sites under construction	Dwellings on small sites not started	Completions 2021/22
Ash	0	0	2
Aston on Trent	1	3	0
Barrow on Trent	1	3	0
Barton Blount	0	2	0
Bearwardcote	0	0	2
Bretby	1	8	0
Burnaston	0	0	2
Castle Gresley	2	13	2
Church Broughton	10	0	0
Coton in the Elms	0	3	0
Dalbury Lees	2	2	0
Drakelow	2	1	0
Egginton	0	2	3
Elvaston	8	3	0
Etwall	0	0	2
Findern	1	1	0
Foston & Scropton	2	5	1
Hartshorne	0	12	1
Hatton	1	4	1
Hilton	8	4	0
Linton	3	2	0
Lullington	0	0	1
Melbourne	26	14	5
Netherseal	0	4	0
Newton Solney	1	0	1
Osleston & Thurvaston	3	0	0
Overseal	5	2	0
Radbourne	1	0	0
Repton	9	3	2
Rosliston	1	2	0
Shardlow & Great Wilne	0	1	2
Smisby	1	3	1
Stanton by Bridge	2	0	1
Sutton on the Hill	1	0	1
Swarkestone	1	0	2
Ticknall	1	1	0
Trusley	1	0	0
Walton on Trent	0	4	0
Weston upon Trent	6	2	2
Willington	7	3	2
Woodville	3	7	0
Swadlincote (unparished)	22	50	18
Total for District	133	164	54

Five-year supply

30 Table 8 calculates a five-year supply based on the period 2011 – 2028.

Table 8: Five-Year Supply based on the Plan Period 2011 – 2028 (South Derbyshire Local Plan requirement)

a. Plan Period Requirement 2011 – 2028	12,618
b. Annualised Requirement [a/17 years]	742
c. Dwellings Completed 2011/12 to 2020/22	8218
d. Estimated Net Completions 2022/23	922
e. Dwellings left to be built [a - (c + d)]	3478
f. Shortfall [b x 12 years – (c+d)]	0 (-236)
g. Shortfall if met over 5 years (per annum) [f/5]	0
h. 5% buffer to 5-year requirement, including shortfall, to allow choice and competition in the market for land [f + (b x 5)/ 20]	186 (185.5)
i. 5% buffer per annum if met over 5 years [h/5]	38 (37.1)
j. Adjusted Requirement (per annum) [b + g+ i]	780 (779.1)
k. Projected gross Completions 2022/23 to 2027/28	4971
l. Losses (calculated as 13 per year)	-65
m. Net Projected Completions 2022/23 to 2027/28 [k - l]	4906
n. Five-Year Supply [m/j]	6.29

31 Table 9 calculates a five-year supply based on the standard method.

Table 9: Five-Year Supply based on the Standard Method for the proposed emerging Local Plan Period 2021-2039

a. Annual Requirement	536
b. Plan period requirement	9648
c. Dwellings Completed 2020/21 to 2021/22	919
d. Estimated Net Completions 2022/23	922
e. Dwellings left to be built [b - (c + d)]	7807
f. Shortfall [a x 2 years – (c+d)]	0 (-769)
g. Shortfall if met over 5 years (per annum) [f/5]	0
h. 5% buffer to 5-year requirement, including shortfall, to allow choice and competition in the market for land [f + (a x 5)/ 20]	134
i. 5% buffer per annum if met over 5 years [h/5]	27 (26.8)
j. Adjusted Requirement (per annum) [a + g+ i]	563 (562.8)
k. Projected gross Completions 2022/23 to 2027/28	4971
l. Losses (calculated as 13 per year)	-65
m. Net Projected Completions 2022/23 to 2027/28 [k - l]	4906
n. Five-Year Supply [m/j]	8.71

Summary

- 32 As can be seen from the calculations above, a five-year supply is demonstrable. The estimated net completions for 2021/22 in the January 2021 Housing Position Paper was 909, which was confirmed as 919 dwellings following the annual survey. There is only a single phase of one Local Plan Part 1 site and three Part 2 sites without an approval or a pending application.

Supply of Sites

- 33 There is forecast to be no remaining shortfall in housing provision over the Local Plan period at the base date of 31 March 2023. The housing requirement is subject to a 5% buffer (as required by the NPPF) which must be delivered in the five-year supply period, all of which has been taken into account in assessing the housing supply. This quantum is the minimum that has to be achieved. The current housing land supply position is set out in Table 10: Housing Trajectory.

Table 10: Housing Trajectory

	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	TOTAL left to be built in the plan period
												Current year	Yr1	Yr2	Yr3	Yr4	Yr5	
Total net past completions	378	274	385	420	569	820	921	1218	1285	1029	919							
Allocations																		
Land to N of William Nadin Way/West of Depot, Swadlincote (Park Road, Newhall) (H2) Site A												58	10					68
Land to N of William Nadin Way/West of Depot, Swadlincote (Burton Road, Stanton) (H2) Site C												50	50	50	50	50	25	275
Land in vicinity of Church Street/Bridge Street/Moat Street, Swadlincote (H3)													46	60	60	60	60	286
Broomy Farm, Woodville (H4)												70	107	107	107	95		486
Drakelow Power Station, Drakelow (H6)												75	150	150	150	150	150	825
Land at Hilton Depot, The Mease, Hilton (H7)												60	35					95
Land to NE of Hatton (H11)												60	60	60	60	51		291
Highfields Farm, Findern (H12)												33						33
Boulton Moor, Elvaston (H13 – Phase 1)												80	80	80	80	80	52	452
Boulton Moor, Elvaston (H13 – Phase 2)														60	75	75	75	285
Boulton Moor, Elvaston (H13 – Phase 3)															40	40	40	120
Chellaston Fields (H14 – Phase 1)												53						53
Wragley Way (H15) Phase 1												25	44	25				94
Wragley Way (H15) Phase 2															40	100	100	240
Primula Way (H16)															45	60	60	165
Holmleigh Way, Chellaston (H17)												9						9
Hackwood Farm (H18)												70	70	70	70	10		290
Land west of Mickleover (H19 – Phase 2)												27						27
Land west of Mickleover (H19 – Phase 3a)												60	60	60	34			214
Land west of Mickleover (H19 – Phase 3b)													60	60	120	120	120	480
Woodville Regeneration Area (E6)													72	73	48	48	48	289

Local Plan Part 2 allocations																		
Jacksons Lane, Etwall (H23 B)													10	10	13	17		50
Derby Road, Hilton (H23 C)												9						9
Station Road, Melbourne (H23 D)												46						46
Off Kingfisher Way, Willington (H23 I)																		0
Oak Close, Castle Gresley (H23 J)													30	30	10			70
Land north of Scropton Road, Scropton (H23 L)														5	5			10
Montracon, Woodville (H23 M)																		0
Stenson Fields (H23 N)																25	25	50
Large Sites 10 dwellings or more																		
47-51 Alexandra Road, Swadlincote												3						3
Kathglow, Dominion Road, Swadlincote												4						4
Rosliston Road South, Drakelow												14						14
Mandarin, Hilton												6						6
Calder Aluminium, Willington												1						1
Court Street, Woodville													14					14
Woodville Road, Hartshorne												13						13
Coppice Side, Swadlincote (18)												18						18
Park Road, Church Gresley												14						14
Castle Road, Castle Gresley																		0
Orchard Street, Newhall												25						25
Lucas Lane, Hilton													25	32				57
Micklemeadow Farm, Rykneld Road														14				14
Coppice Side, Swadlincote (20)														20				20
York Close, Church Gresley												10						10
Small Sites 1 – 9 dwellings												42	42	42	42	42	42	252
Windfall Allowance															43	43	43	129
Cumulative Past Completions	378	652	1037	1457	2026	2846	3767	4985	6270	7299	8218							
Projected Completions												935	965	1008	1092	1066	840	5906
District Losses												-13	-13	-13	-13	-13	-13	-78
Total Net Completions												922	952	995	1079	1053	827	

REPORT TO:	ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM: 7
DATE OF MEETING:	26 JANUARY 2023	CATEGORY: DELEGATED
REPORT FROM:	STRATEGIC DIRECTOR (SERVICE DELIVERY)	OPEN
MEMBERS' CONTACT POINT:	JESSICA CHEADLE 07435829964 Jessica.cheadle@southderbyshire.gov.uk	DOC:
SUBJECT:	DESIGNATION OF A NEIGHBOURHOOD AREA	
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	ETWALL	TERMS OF REFERENCE:

1. Recommendations

1.1. That the Committee formally designates the Etwall Neighbourhood Area in accordance with the application from Etwall Parish Council.

2. Purpose of the Report

2.1. To draw the Committee's attention to the requirements placed upon the Council within the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) regarding supporting the neighbourhood planning process and specifically the need to designate the Etwall Neighbourhood Area to enable this process.

3. Detail

3.1. Under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) the Council has a statutory duty to assist communities in the development of neighbourhood development plans. Within this it is necessary for the Council as Local Planning Authority to consider the designation of Neighbourhood Areas.

3.2. In order for a community to proceed with the production of a neighbourhood development plan the specific neighbourhood needs to be identified and designated.

3.3. There are no planning reasons why the area identified within the map at appendix A should not be designated because:

- i. Etwall Parish Council is an appropriate body to make the application.
- ii. Their full Parish Council area applied for is an appropriate area.

4. Financial Implications

4.1. The District is eligible for grant support from the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government to cover costs associated with supporting communities undertaking neighbourhood development plans.

4.2. At the Finance and Management Committee of 23 April 2015 it was agreed that the District make a grant, equivalent to the element relating specifically to the designation of a neighbourhood area, to parish councils undertaking neighbourhood planning.

5. Corporate Implications

5.1. There is a requirement for the Local Planning Authority to formally designate Neighbourhood Areas if certain conditions are met. These conditions have been met and this designation will ensure that the Council is in compliance with its duties.

6. Community Impact

6.1. Local communities are not able to progress with a neighbourhood development plan unless the identified area has been formally designated. Etwall Parish Council has identified a desire to pursue this course of action supported by community volunteers who have already been identified. Designation will enable the community to exercise its rights established within the Localism Bill. The Designation of the neighbourhood development plan area will enable the community of Etwall to continue the development of the neighbourhood plan.

7. Conclusions

7.1. The appropriate regulations have been followed and there is no reason to not designate a Neighbourhood Area.

8. Background Papers

8.1. Appendix A – Map of area to be designated

8.2. Appendix B – Application from Etwall Parish Council.

Notes:

* Category – Please see the Committee Terms Of Reference in [Responsibility for Functions - Committees](#). This shows which committee is responsible for each function and whether it has delegated authority to make a decision, or needs to refer it elsewhere with a recommendation.

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*** Committee Terms Of Reference in [Responsibility for Functions - Committees](#).

Etwall Parish



Application to designate a Neighbourhood Area

Town and Country Planning Act 1990

Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012

1. Name of Parish Council

Etwall Parish Council

2. Name of Neighbourhood Area

Etwall Parish

3. Parish Clerk details:

Rachel Male [REDACTED]

4. Details for primary contact (if different to Parish Clerk)

As above.

5. Additional contact:

Rhia Fearn – [REDACTED]

Chris Rowley – [REDACTED]

Ursula Towne – [REDACTED]

6. Relevant body:

I confirm that we (Etwall Parish Council) are the relevant body to undertake neighbourhood planning in our area in accordance with Section 61G of the 1990 Act and Section 5C of the 2012 Regulations.

7. Intention of the Neighbourhood Area:

We intend to undertake a Neighbourhood Development Plan.

8. Explanation/justification of choice of area:

We wish to include the whole of Etwall Parish in our Neighbourhood Development Plan. By including the whole area, we are then able to consider factors affecting the whole of Etwall rather than just a proportion.

We did consider whether the area to be designated should be expanded to include neighbouring Parish Councils. We evaluated the benefits of covering a wider area and compared them with the disbenefits of making the Plan more complicated, which could have included a number of conflicting requirements. Egginton and Burnaston are the two parishes which do not currently have Neighbourhood Plans, but following evaluation of the issues we have decided to designate just the Etwall Parish Council area for this Plan

9. Extent of the area (map to be included)

Whole parish boundary (as showed in attached map).

10. Declaration:

Etwall Parish Council hereby apply to designate a neighbourhood area as described on this form and the accompanying plan.

Signed [REDACTED]

Position **Clerk and RFO**

Date **16.12.22**

REPORT TO:	ENVIROMENT AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM: 8
DATE OF MEETING:	26 JANUARY 2023	CATEGORY: RECOMMENDED
REPORT FROM:	STRATEGIC DIRECTOR (SERVICE DELIVERY)	OPEN
MEMBERS' CONTACT POINT:	CHRISTOPHER WORMAN PARKS AND GREEN SPACES MANAGER	DOC:
SUBJECT:	REVISION TO ACTION PLAN FOR NATURE WORK PROGRAMME	
WARD (S) AFFECTED:	ALL WARDS	TERMS OF REFERENCE: EDS

1.0 Recommendations

- 1.1 That the Committee acknowledges the work completed under the Action Plan for Nature (APN) Work Programme, during 2022.
- 1.2 That the Committee approves the revised Work Programme for 2023 (Appendix 1).

2.0 Purpose of the Report

- 2.1 To provide a summary of the key works undertaken during 2022 under the original Work Programme.
- 2.2 To present the revised 2023 Work Programme for approval (Appendix 1).

3.0 Executive Summary

- 3.1 The South Derbyshire Action Plan for Nature (APN) and Work Programme was approved by the Council ahead of the Environment Act gaining Royal Assent in November 2021.
- 3.2 The Act contains provisions to implement nature recovery across England, under which Local Authorities will be required to undertake leading roles.
- 3.3 The APN was produced by Derbyshire Wildlife Trust and defines a baseline for biodiversity within South Derbyshire and the opportunities that are available to the Council to deliver strategic nature recovery.
- 3.4 The APN provided an evidence base for the Council's Biodiversity Work Group to produce a Work Programme to begin the progress in achieving this aim.

- 3.5 A Biodiversity Officer was appointed by the Council at the start of February 2022 to deliver the Work Programme.
- 3.6 This report provides a summary of the work undertaken by the Biodiversity Officer in 2022 with the support of other Officers within the Council.
- 3.7 Whilst the original Work Programme has provided initial direction 2022, the 2023 Work Programme has been principally revised to define **73 measurable** and **quantifiable** Targets to focus the delivery of nature recovery within South Derbyshire.
- 3.8 This approach not only outlines clear a direction of travel for Officers and Managers in 2023 but also provides a method under which progress of the 2023 Work Programme can be made accountable to the Council.
- 3.9 The Work Streams and Strategic Approach set out within the original Work Programme has been incorporated into the 2023 revision, however, the wording and format has been streamlined and set within a formal document.
- 3.10 Officers and Managers across all relevant services have been consulted on the 2023 Work Programme and provided input as appropriate.
- 3.11 The 2023 Work Programme is provided in **Appendix 1**.

4.0 Original Work Programme – Summary of Work Undertaken in 2022

Swadlincote Woodlands Improvements

- 4.1 Swadlincote Woodlands has now achieved Local Nature Reserve status.
- 4.2 Capital Grant works to fully replace all original entrance, directional, waymarker and interpretation signs across the Woodlands are in an advanced stage and proposed for full installation at the start of 2023, led by the Biodiversity Officer and supported by the Park Life Officer. This will include new waymarked fitness/exercise trails, designed by the Active Communities team, principally the Get Active in the Forest Officer.
- 4.3 x12 volunteer work party sessions have been undertaken facilitated by the Park Life Officer and Biodiversity Officer, to continue the delivery of the Biodiversity Management Plan for the Woodlands.
- 4.4 The Park Life Officer and Environmental Education Project ran a grant funded Forest School and two wildlife identification events for local communities within the Woodlands. The events were well-attended. It is the intention to expand the range of events in 2023 (i.e. post-Covid).

Woodville By-Pass Biodiversity Net Gain Project

- 4.5 As part of the Woodville by-pass, the Council offered three of its sites for biodiversity improvements to offset the ecological impact of the scheme. This was agreed by Committee and a monetary contribution of £147, 000 was paid to the Council by County to implement the improvements and manage and monitor the sites for a period of 32 years.
- 4.6 The work to implement these improvements has now been undertaken, led by the Biodiversity Officer:

- Swadlincote Woodlands (1.2ha) – glade creation, woodland wildflower/bulb planting and tree/shrub planting.
- Sandholes Park, Midway (2ha) – the first phase of wildflower seeding has been completed (approx. 1ha) with the final phase to be completed in autumn 2023. A phased approach was undertaken to avoid ground disturbance across the whole of the park area, so this would be more acceptable to park users.
- Old Hall Meadow, George Street, Church Gresley (1.3ha) – similarly, the first phase of wildflower seeding has been completed (approx. 0.7ha).

4.7 We look forward to seeing the results of the biodiversity improvements in spring and summer 2023.

4.8 The Biodiversity Officer presented at a national conference on Biodiversity Net Gain, on the Woodville By-Pass biodiversity improvements and the positive work undertaken by the Council.

Other Site Improvements for Biodiversity

4.9 At the request of the Cemeteries Officer, a small area of wildflower meadow has been sown within Church Gresley cemetery, led by the Biodiversity Officer (near the York Road entrance).

4.10 Autumn hay meadow management has continued in 2022 on wildlife meadows across various Council sites led by the Biodiversity Officer, totalling over 6ha. The hay meadow management removes the grass cuttings from site, preventing nutrient enrichment and promoting wildflower development.

4.11 1ha of unmanaged wildlife meadow has been identified by the Biodiversity Officer and brought into hay meadow management in 2022.

4.12 A 'No Mow' grass trial was implemented during April to mid-July 2022 at over 30 Council public open spaces. The trial was successful with minimal complaints, largely due to a strategic approach to choosing sites and effective working relationships between Parks & Green Spaces (led by the Biodiversity Officer) and Operational Services (led by the Street Scene Supervisor).

4.13 3000 native trees and shrubs have been planted in Cadley Park, organised by Parks & Green Spaces & the Environment Education Project, funded by East Midlands Airport.

Biodiversity Recording

4.14 Over 25 of the Council's 'Core Nature Sites' have been subject to detailed habitat surveys utilising a national recording system (UK Habs), by the Biodiversity Officer.

4.15 This will provide the Council with a baseline to eventually create an inventory of habitats across its landholding to:

- quantify the range and type of habitats present

- identify opportunities for biodiversity improvement particularly through developer contributions
- produce an Ecosystems and Natural Capital study to determine the environmental value of its landholding across a range of quantifiable measures

4.16 This work is in progress and will be continued into 2023. It is intended that the habitat inventory and associated data will be uploaded to the Council's GIS system for wider Officer and Manager use, with support with the GIS Officer.

Biodiversity Working Group

4.17 The Biodiversity Officer has led three Biodiversity Working Group meetings and provided presentations to Officers and Managers principally on the new Environment Act and the challenges and opportunities presented to the Council, as well as progress on the delivery of the Work Programme.

Procedure Documents

4.18 A Biodiversity Procedure document has been produced by the Biodiversity Officer with support from the Corporate Environmental Coordinator. A requirement of the Council's ISO 14001 Environmental Management System, the document sets out the Council's overarching legal and policy duties in respect of biodiversity and its directly linked to the APN and Work Programme.

4.19 An Invasive Plant Species Procedure document is at a final stage of production by the Biodiversity Officer with support from Environmental Services. The purpose of the document is to create a framework through which invasive plants reported to or identified by the Council can be investigated and if necessary remediated, following an agreed Council-wide process and format.

4.20 The Invasive Plant Species Procedure will be issued to the Committee for comment and approval early 2023.

Biodiversity Net Gain

4.21 Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG) is a legal provision of the Environment Act which requires developers to attain a measured uplift of biodiversity improvements (10%) either within a development site, off-site or both. This legal provision will present challenges and opportunities to all Local Planning Authorities.

4.22 To assist the Council in preparing for BNG, the Biodiversity Officer has:

- Attended over 20 BNG workshops/seminars provided by the Planning Advisory Service/DEFRA/Natural England/Derbyshire County Council
- Lead the Council's response to the DEFRA BNG Consultation in the spring
- Facilitated regular liaison and update meetings with Council Officer's in Planning Policy, as well as the Derbyshire County Ecologist

- Wrote to x30 organisations who may have an interest in setting up and managing biodiversity offsetting land, to understand future supply within South Derbyshire and create a database of potential offsetting providers
- Identified potential Council land which could be used for biodiversity offsetting
- Updated the Biodiversity Working Group on key findings

Planning

4.23 The Biodiversity Officer has worked with Planning Policy Officers to identify and incorporate 8+ new biodiversity questions into the Issues and Options document to inform the new Local Plan, such as mandatory swift boxes in new houses and hedgehog highways in gardens.

4.24 The Biodiversity Officer has advised on 60+ planning applications (biodiversity and trees) and supported Planning Policy with their viability assessments.

Other

4.25 The Biodiversity Officer has provided specific advice, guidance and face-face meetings with four Parish Council's, Melbourne Sports Partnership and Rosliston Forestry Centre to improve biodiversity on Council leased/owned land.

5.0 Financial Implications

5.1 There are no financial implications directly arising from the report.

6.0 Corporate Implications

Employment Implications

6.1 There are no employment implications arising from this report.

Legal Implications

6.2 The Action Plan for Nature (APN) and Work Programme provides a measurable and accountable strategy for the Council to adhere to its legal 'Biodiversity Duty' under the Environment Act 2021 to 'conserve' and 'enhance' biodiversity, as well as adhere to other statutory biodiversity legislation including:

- Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981 (as amended)
- Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006
- Habitats Regulations 2019 (as amended)

Corporate Plan Implications

6.3 The APN and Work Programme contributes to the Corporate Plan Priorities and Key Aims including:

- a. Improve the environment of the district
 - i. Enhance biodiversity across the district
- b. Tackle Climate Change
 - i. Strive to make South Derbyshire District Council carbon neutral by 2030
- c. Enhance the attractiveness of South Derbyshire
 - i. Improve public spaces to create an environment for people to enjoy

Our People

- d. Engage with our communities
 - i. Support and celebrate volunteering, community groups and the voluntary sector
- e. Supporting and safeguarding the most vulnerable
 - i. Promote health and wellbeing across the district
- f. Deliver excellent services
 - i. Invest in our workforce

Our Future

- g. Support economic growth and infrastructure
 - i. Enable the delivery of housing across all tenures to meet Local Plan targets
 - ii. Influence the improvement of infrastructure to meet the demands of growth
- h. Transforming the Council
 - i. Provide modern ways of working that support the Council to deliver services to meet changing needs

7.0 Risk Impact

7.1 The Action Plan for Nature and Work Programme provides a measurable and accountable strategy of The Council's legal 'Biodiversity Duty' under the Environment Act 2021 and therefore reduces the risk of not complying with this legislation.

8.0 Community Impact

8.1 Key objectives of the Work Programme are to encourage local communities to connect with nature through environmental projects, work parties, events and education programs, to contribute to the improvement of societal well-being.

9.0 Equality and Diversity Impact

9.1 None known.

10.0 Social Value Impact

10.1 The APN and Work Programme promotes 'investment in nature' which can create opportunities for nature-based solutions such as climate adaptation and resilience, flood alleviation, the improvement and expansion of green spaces, the creation and enhancement of opportunities for recreation, exercise and connection to nature.

Nature-based solutions therefore have the potential for significant positive impacts to society.

10.2 Use of local environmental contractors in delivering nature-based solutions can promote local businesses.

10.3 Effective deliver of Biodiversity Net Gain and nature-based solutions through the planning system will assist creating desirable places to live and further assist in effective delivery of housing targets under the Local Plan.

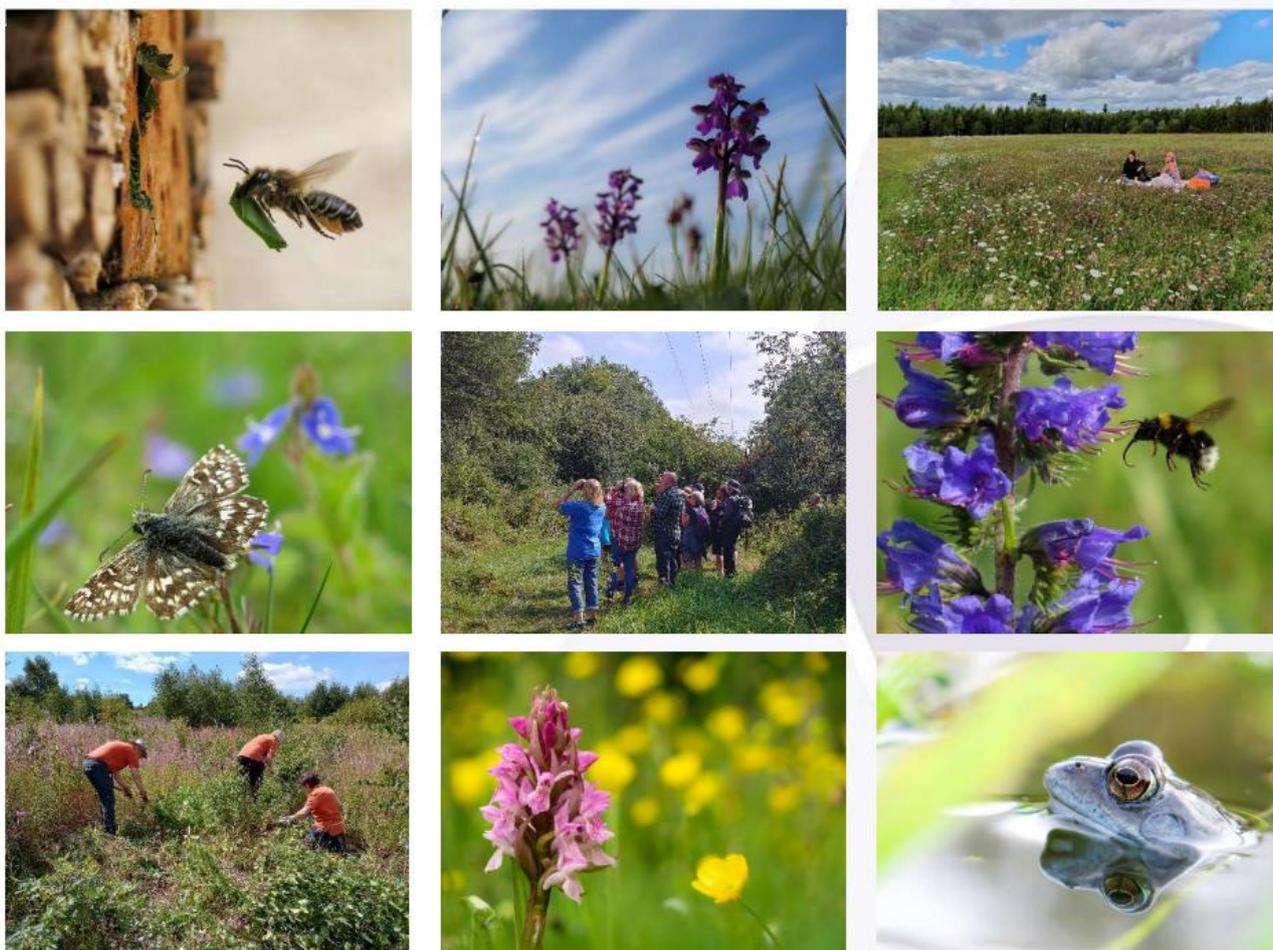
11.0 Environmental Sustainability

11.1 The APN and Work Programme promotes Environmental Sustainability at its core. Investing in nature is critical to sustaining a healthy environment for generations to come.

Appendix 1 – Work program for 2023

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SOUTH DERBYSHIRE ACTION PLAN FOR NATURE



2023 WORK PROGRAMME

Cultural and Community Services

December 2022

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Version	Description of version	Effective Date
1	Original Work Programme approved by Committee	August 2021
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1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 This Work Programme for 2023 supplements South Derbyshire District Council's **Action Plan for Nature** (APN). The APN and original Work Programme were approved by the Council ahead of the Environment Act gaining Royal Assent in November 2021. The Act contains provisions to implement nature recovery across England, under which Local Authorities will be required to undertake leading roles.
- 1.2 The APN will provide a key piece of evidence to support the delivery of the Council's new Local Plan. However, the APN is also a critical first step in helping the Council understand the condition of biodiversity in South Derbyshire and the opportunities that exist to improve it. The APN will therefore be used to underpin a strategic approach, to target how and where the Council prioritises its resources and actions to deliver nature recovery.
- 1.3 The APN will also be used to inform and strategically implement the Council's legislative duties in respect of Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG), the Local Nature Recovery Strategy for Derbyshire (LNRS) and the strengthened 'Biodiversity Duty' on Public Bodies, all of which are central requirements of the Environment Act 2021 and the Government's 25 Year Environment Plan.
- 1.4 Whilst the original Work Programme provides an overall vision, this 2023 Work Programme has been principally updated to define **73 measurable and quantifiable Targets** to focus the delivery of nature recovery within South Derbyshire.
- 1.5 This approach not only outlines a clear direction of travel for Officers and Managers for 2023, but also provides a method under which progress of the Work Programme can be made accountable to the Council.
- 1.6 The 2023 Work Programme is presented in Appendix 1 of this document. The proceeding sections outline the Council's strategic approach and how the Work Programme will be implemented, monitored and reported.



Salts Meadow, Swadlincote Woodlands

2.0 The Council’s Strategic Approach to Nature Recovery

Core Vision and Aims

- 2.1 The Council’s Core Vision and Aims for nature recovery within South Derbyshire align with its Corporate Plan, Government policy defined within the 25 Year Environment Plan and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

Our CORE VISION is for:

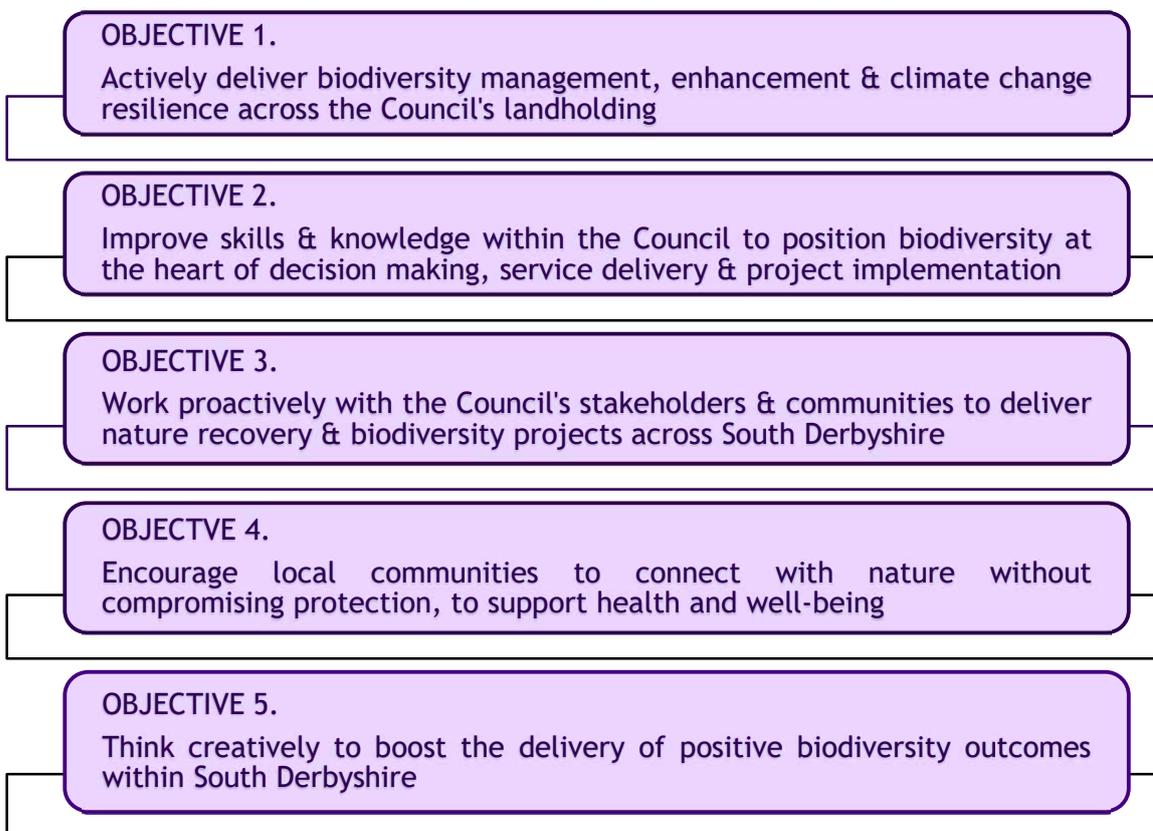
“South Derbyshire to be a district where its green spaces, habitats and biodiversity is fully valued, effectively managed and appropriately protected to ensure optimum contribution to the natural capital, ecosystem services and climate resilience of the district, and the health and well-being of its communities for future generations”

Within Council land & across the district, our CORE AIMS are to:

- 1. Protect, sustain, enhance and increase the biodiversity of species populations, habitats and ecosystems*
- 2. Ensure that green spaces and biodiversity contribute to a healthier and more attractive local environment for the well-being of local communities*
- 3. Maximise the potential for natural capital and ecosystem services to deliver climate change adaptation and resilience, and other nature-based solutions*
- 4. Effectively manage the impact of invasive and undesirable plant species, pests and diseases on the natural environment, as well as communities, businesses and organisations*
- 5. Raise the profile, value and understanding of biodiversity and encourage community groups to contribute to the delivery of nature recovery*
- 6. Ensure the Council complies with its legislative and policy duties to conserve and enhance biodiversity, and improve the Council’s skills and knowledge of the natural environment*

Key Objectives

- 2.2 To achieve the Council's Core Vision and Aims for nature recovery, the Work Programme defines five Key Objectives under which Work Streams and Targets are set:



Investing in Nature

- 2.3 The Council's strategic approach to nature recovery supports Government policy to **halt the loss of biodiversity by 2030**.
- 2.4 **Investing in nature** within South Derbyshire will not only enhance habitats, species populations and ecosystems across the district, but also create opportunities for **nature-based solutions** such as **climate adaptation and resilience** and improving the **health and well-being** of our communities.
- 2.5 Nature-based solutions are **intrinsically linked** with nature recovery ... they are not simply 'added benefits'. As set out within the Government's **25 Year Environment Plan**:

'... respecting nature's intrinsic value, and the value of all life, is critical to our mission to leave our environment in a better state than we found it'.

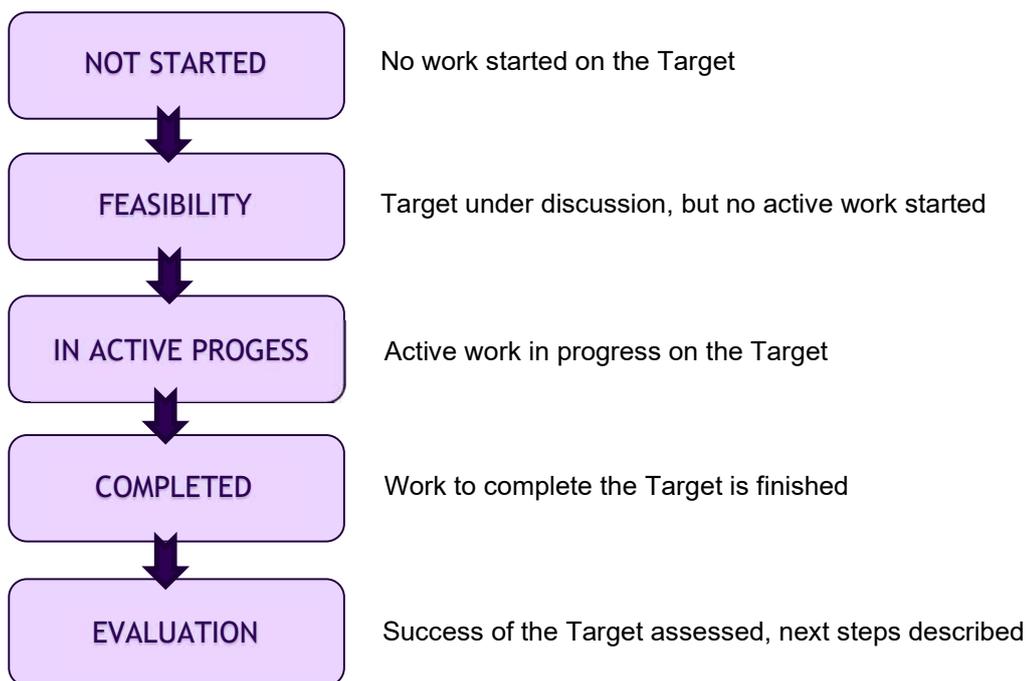
3.0 The Action Plan for Nature Work Programme 2023

Work Programme Format

- 3.1 For each Target set out within the 2023 Work Programme, a Timeframe for completion together with a Priority Rating, Ease of Implementation and Ownership are defined. These terms are further explained on Page 9.
- 3.2 The Work Programme is intended to be updated and revised in the final quarter of 2023, to further define Targets for 2024.
- 3.3 Each Target sets a minimum threshold of work to be undertaken in 2023. Wherever practicable and dependent on resources, opportunities to exceed Targets should and will be taken forward. However, this will not be at the expense of other Targets being missed.

Monitoring of Progress

- 3.4 Each Target is designed, wherever practicable, to be measurable and quantifiable. This will allow the success of the Work Programme to be monitored and therefore made accountable to the Council.
- 3.5 The progress of each Target will be monitored using the following Matrix:



Progress Reports

- 3.6 The progress of the Work Programme will be reported to the relevant Council Committee(s) and the Council’s Biodiversity Working Group each calendar quarter (four times per year).
- 3.7 Progress will be reported through a concise document and/or presentational format, detailing the following:
- % of Targets in each monitoring category, with comparison to previous quarterly report(s) (see matrix, section 3.5)
 - Headline achievements and/or milestones of note or interest
 - Key actions and/or progress against each Target, in a tabulated format
 - Constraints which have or will affect certain Targets being completed
- 3.8 A final Annual Report will be produced highlighting key accomplishments under the Work Programme using infographics and other such methods to visualise data. It would be the intention to publish this report on the Council’s website and media outlets as appropriate.
- 3.9 The Work Programme will be updated for the next year and submitted with the final quarterly Progress Report to the relevant Council Committee(s) for comment and approval.



Bird watching event at Rosliston Forestry Centre



Conservation work party at Coton Park LNR
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APPENDIX 1

ACTION PLAN FOR NATURE WORK PROGRAMME

TERMINOLOGY

WORKSTREAM:

Core area of activity which will contribute to achieving the associated objective.

TARGET:

Measurable and/or quantifiable activity under each workstream.

TIMEFRAME:

The calendar month by which each target should be completed.

PRIORITY:

The proposed priority set to each target, measured as:

VERY HIGH

HIGH

MEDIUM

LOW

EASE OF IMPLEMENTATION:

The predicted ease of implementing each target, measured as:

DIFFICULT

MODERATE

EASY

OWNERSHIP:

Council Officers and/or managers who will be responsible for delivering each target. * Indicates the Officer/Manager who will lead the delivery of each target.

Council Core Nature Site:

Council land which is predominantly managed for nature conservation and has additional benefits for climate change resilience and public access/well-being.

Council Non-Core Nature Site:

Council land which is predominantly managed for public amenity but provides contributions to climate change resilience and may have the potential for small nature conservation enhancements.

OWNERSHIP ACRONYMS

HoCCS: Head of Cultural & Communities Services

- **PGSM** - Parks & Green Space Manger
- **GSDO** - Green Space Development Officer
- **BO** - Biodiversity Officer
- **TO** - Tree Officer
- **PO** - Parklife Officer

EEP: Environmental Education Project

HoOS: Head of Operational Services

- **TOgis** - Technical Officer (GIS)
- **SsS** - Street Scene Supervisor

HoP&SH: Head of Planning & Strategic Housing

- **PPOS** - Planning Policy Officer (Sustainability)

HoES: Head of Environmental Services

- **CEC** - Corporate Environmental Coordinator
- **CEO** - Climate & Environment Officer

HoH: Head of Housing Services

HoCP: Head of Corporate Property

DCC: Derbyshire County Council

DWT: Derbyshire Wildlife Trust

NFC: National Forest Company

OBJECTIVE 1

Actively deliver biodiversity management, enhancement & climate change resilience across the Council's landholding

Work Stream	Targets	Time Frame	Priority	Ease of Implementation	Ownership
Identify and record potential 'Nature Sites' owned and managed by the Council.	Target 1.1: x1 excel inventory of all Core Nature Sites (see terminology, PG9).	End Jan 2023	V HIGH	MODERATE	*HoCCS (BO)
	Target 1.2: x1 excel inventory of Non-Core Nature Sites (see terminology, PG9).	End Sept 2023	V HIGH	MODERATE	
UK Habitats survey of the Council's land and input of data into iShare GIS database, for wider Officer use.	Target 1.3: All Core Nature Sites, Formal Parks & Gardens, Allotments, Cemeteries.	End Jan 2023	V HIGH	MODERATE	*HoCCS (BO) HoOS (TOgis)
	Target 1.4: All Council green space (desk-top survey, as appropriate).	End Sept 2023	V HIGH	DIFFICULT	
Ecosystems/Natural Capital study of the Council's land.	Target 1.5 All Core Nature Sites, Formal Parks & Gardens, Allotments, Cemeteries.	End Mar 2023	V HIGH	MODERATE	*HoCCS (BO) *HoES (CEO) *HoOS (TOgis)
	Target 1.6 All Council green space (desk-top survey, as appropriate).	End Dec 2023	V HIGH	DIFFICULT	
Produce Habitat Management Plans and/or Prescriptions for Core Nature Sites.	Target 1.7: Simplified Excel habitat management prescriptions for all Core Nature Sites.	End Dec 2023	V HIGH	MODERATE	*HoCCS (BO & TO)
	Target 1.8: Formal Habitat Management Plan documents for x3 Core Nature Sites.	End Dec 2023	V HIGH	MODERATE	
Implement habitat management works at Core Nature Sites.	Target 1.9: Swadlincote Woodlands LNR: minimum x10 annual volunteer workdays.	End Dec 2023	HIGH	MODERATE	*HoCCS (BO & PO)
	Target 1.10: Coton Park LNR: minimum x4 annual volunteer workdays.	End Dec 2023	HIGH	MODERATE	
	Target 1.11: Castleton Estate: minimum x4 annual volunteer/contractor workdays.	End Dec 2023	HIGH	MODERATE	
Attain Local Nature Reserve status for more Core Nature Sites.	Target 1.12: Local Nature Reserve Status for a minimum of x2 Core Nature Sites.	End Dec 2023	V HIGH	MODERATE	*HoCCS (BO)
Maintain 'cut and clear' on grasslands within Core Nature Sites.	Target 1.13 Minimum x1 'cut and clear' at: Salts Meadow (Swad Woods LNR), Birch Woods Clearings (Swad Woods LNR), Gallery Grid (Swad Woods LNR), Coton Park LNR (Linton), Sandholes (Midway), Old Hall Meadow (Church Gresley), Appletree Meadow (Etwall), Church Gresley Cemetery (Southern Entrance), Croft Orchard (Overseal), Jubilee Meadow (Rosliston FC).	End Oct 2023	HIGH	EASY	*HoCCS (BO, PGSM) *HoOS (SsS)
Deliver grassland enhancements on Core Nature Sites.	Target 1.14: 1ha of grassland restoration (implement new cut and clear, scrub clearance as required).	End Oct 2023	HIGH	MODERATE	*HoCCS (BO) *HoOS (SsS)
	Target 1.15: 1ha of grassland enhancement (over-seeding of wildflowers).	End Oct 2023	HIGH	DIFFICULT	
Expand 'No Mow' regime on appropriate Council land.	Target 1.16: x50 sites to have long grass regimes, minimum timeframe April through to the end of June (climate dependant).	April to end of June 2023	HIGH	MODERATE	*HoCCS (BO, PGSM) *HoOS (SsS)

OBJECTIVE 1

Actively deliver biodiversity management, enhancement & climate change resilience across the Council's landholding

Work Stream	Targets	Time Frame	Priority	Ease of Implementation	Ownership
Implement tree planting and establishment on appropriate Council land (in accordance with the Council's Tree, Woodland & Hedgerow Policy).	Target 1.17: Assessment of suitable Council sites for individual tree planting and micro-orchards for 2023/2024 planting season, including setting of realistic tree planting and establishment targets and training for Operational Services personnel.	End Dec 2023	HIGH	DIFFICULT	*HoCCS (TO, GSDO, BO, PGSM) *HoOS (SsS)
Implement woodland enhancement within Core Nature Sites (in accordance with the Council's Tree, Woodland & Hedgerow Policy).	Target 1.18: 1ha of woodland enhancement.	End Dec 2023	HIGH	DIFFICULT	*HoCCS (BO, TO)
Implement hedgerow enhancement on appropriate Council land (in accordance with the Council's Tree, Woodland & Hedgerow Policy).	Target 1.19: x1 inventory to identify and record suitable sites for hedgerow enhancement, for 2024 Work Schedule update.	End Dec 2023	MEDIUM	MODERATE	*HoCCS (BO, TO)
Implementation of a Dingy Skipper Recovery Plan at Swadlincote Woodlands LNR and Coton Park LNR.	Target 1.20: Production of a Recovery Plan document detailing work proposals, timescales, and monitoring effort.	End June 2023	HIGH	MODERATE	*HoCCS (BO)
Assess the potential to deliver other Species Recovery Plans on Council land.	Target 1.21: Production of a feasibility study.	End Dec 2023	HIGH	DIFFICULT	*HoCCS (BO)
Identify opportunities for biodiversity enhancements on formal Parks and Green Spaces.	Target 1.22: x1 feasibility study with objectives and measurable/quantifiable work prescriptions as appropriate for 2023/2024.	End Dec 2023	MEDIUM	MODERATE	*HoCCS (BO, GSDO)
Identify and deliver biodiversity enhancements on road verges managed by the Council (with support from Derbyshire County Council).	Target 1.23: x1 feasibility study with objectives and measurable/quantifiable work prescriptions as appropriate for 2023.	End Mar 2023	HIGH	MODERATE	*HoCCS (BO, PGSM) *HoOS (SsS)
	Target 1.24: x1 trial programme of enhancement works (trial programme to set measurable quantity of road verges).	End Dec 2023	HIGH	MODERATE	*DCC EEP

OBJECTIVE 2

Improve skills & knowledge in the Council to put biodiversity at the heart of decision-making, service delivery & project implementation

Work Stream	Targets	Timeframe	Priority	Ease of Implementation	Ownership
Compliance with the Council's legislative duties for mandatory 10% biodiversity net gain (BNG) on development sites (Environment Act 2021).	Target 2.1: Ensure systems and processes are in place prior to mandatory biodiversity net gain in Autumn 2023*, inclusive of Conservation Covenants as appropriate.	End Sept 2023 (*subject to change)	V HIGH	DIFFICULT	*HoCCS (BO) *HoP&SH (PPOS)

OBJECTIVE 2					
Improve skills & knowledge in the Council to put biodiversity at the heart of decision-making, service delivery & project implementation					
Work Stream	Targets	Timeframe	Priority	Ease of Implementation	Ownership
	<i>(Note: this workstream is subject to change, specific Government policy and secondary legislation in respect to BNG has to date not been published).</i>				
Compliance with the Council's legislative duties in the production of the Derbyshire Local Nature Recovery Strategy (LNRS) and the delivery of nature-based solutions within the district (Environment Act 2021).	Target 2.2: Ensure strong Council representation within the LNRS across all relevant services, for the benefit of strategic BNG implementation, climate resilience and local communities. Ensure the Action Plan for Nature Biodiversity Opportunity Mapping (BOM) informs the LNRS. <i>(Note: this workstream is subject to change, specific Government policy and secondary legislation in respect to LNRS has to date not been published).</i>	End Sept 2023 (subject to change)	V HIGH	DIFFICULT	*HoCCS (BO) *HoP&SH (PPOS) *DCC
Compliance with the Council's legislative duties for Biodiversity Reporting to Government (Environment Act 2021).	Target 2.3: Production of internal monitoring and recording tool with governance procedures to ensure all necessary biodiversity data required for reporting to Government is systematically captured. <i>(Note: this workstream is subject to change, specific Government policy and secondary legislation in respect to Biodiversity Reporting has not to date been published).</i>	End Sept 2023 (subject to change)	V HIGH	DIFFICULT	*HoCCS (BO) *HoP&SH (PPOS)
Compliance with other Council legislative duties under the Environment Act 2021.	Target 2.4: 'Cooperation' with Natural England in the production of Site and Species Conservation Strategies. <i>(Note: this workstream is relevant only if Natural England requests the Council's 'cooperation').</i>	End Dec 2023	MEDIUM	DIFFICULT	*HoCCS (BO) *HoP&SH (PPOS)
Continue to advocate the need for robust, progressive and ambitious biodiversity policies within the development of the Council's new Local Plan.	Target 2.5: Ensure active dialogue with Planning Policy (See also Target 2.9) to progress the delivery of retained, amended and new biodiversity policy within the DRAFT version of the Local Plan during the first half of 2023.	End June 2023	HIGH	DIFFICULT	*HoCCS (BO) *HoP&SH (PPOS)
Continue Biodiversity Working Group meetings in accordance with the agreed Terms of Reference.	Target 2.6: Minimum of x4 annual meetings of the Biodiversity Working Group.	End Dec 2023	HIGH	EASY	*HoCCS (BO)
Promote and champion biodiversity protection and improvement within the Council (and District) through effective communication.	Target 2.7: Produce x1 Communications Plan setting out aims, objectives and measurable/quantifiable work streams.	End June 2023	HIGH	MODERATE	*HoCCS (BO) *EEP *HoES (CEC)
Report to Elected Members on the progress of the APN Work Programme.	Target 2.8: Minimum of x4 annual progress reports to the relevant Council Committees (x1 progress report per quarter).	End Dec 2023	HIGH	EASY	*HoCCS (BO, PGSM)
Biodiversity progress meetings and target setting with key Council Officers and Managers	Target 2.9: Minimum of x4 annual meetings with: Head of Cultural & Community Services/Parks & Green Spaces Manager Corporate Environmental Coordinator Climate and Environment Officer Environmental Engagement Manager/Parks Officer	End Dec 2023	HIGH	EASY	*HoCCS (BO)

OBJECTIVE 2					
Improve skills & knowledge in the Council to put biodiversity at the heart of decision-making, service delivery & project implementation					
Work Stream	Targets	Timeframe	Priority	Ease of Implementation	Ownership
	Head of Planning and Strategic Housing Planning Policy Team Leader/ Planning Policy Officer (Sustainability)				
Production and monitoring of Biodiversity Procedures for the Council's ISO 14001 Environmental Management System.	Target 2.10: Produce x1 Biodiversity Procedural document.	End Jan 2023	HIGH	MODERATE	*HoCCS (BO) HoES (CEC)
Implement biodiversity training sessions for Council employees.	Target 2.11: Minimum of x2 annual 'tool-box talk' biodiversity training sessions with all Council ground maintenance employees.	End Mar 2023	HIGH	EASY	*HoCCS (BO, PGSM) *HoOS (SsS) *HoES (CEC) EEP
	Target 2.12: Programme of potential biodiversity training for other Council Services and employees, setting out measurable/quantifiable targets for 2023/4.	End June 2023	MEDIUM	EASY	
	Target 2.13: Review and make improvements to biodiversity elements of the Council's mandatory environmental training.	End June 2023	HIGH	EASY	
Advocate biodiversity improvements within other Council Services.	Target 2.14: Meet with the Heads of Housing and Corporate Property and produce x1 feasibility study of potential biodiversity improvements within each Service, setting out measurable/quantifiable targets for 2024+.	End Dec 2023	MEDIUM	DIFFICULT	*HoCCS (BO) *HoHS *HoCP
Work towards the effective control of invasive plant species on Council land.	Target 2.15: Produce x1 Invasive Plant Species Procedural document.	End March 2023	HIGH	DIFFICULT	*HoCCS (BO, PGSM) *HoOS (SsS) HoES
	Target 2.16: Implement a robust, centralised and measurable method of recording presence of and treatments to invasive plant species on Cultural & Communities land (to roll out to other Services in 2024, where/if appropriate).	End June 2023	HIGH	DIFFICULT	
Work towards the effective management of plant pests and diseases on Council land.	Target 2.17: Produce x1 Plant Pests & Diseases Procedural document.	End Dec 2023	HIGH	DIFFICULT	*HoCCS (BO, TO PGSM) *HoOS (SsS)
Review and update of APN Work Programme.	Target 2.18: x1 annual progress report on the 2023 Update Work Programme for relevant Services and Committees.	End Dec 2023/Jan 2024	V HIGH	EASY	*HoCCS (BO, PGSM)
	Target 2.19: Update Work Programme for 2024 and seek approval through the relevant Committees.				

OBJECTIVE 3

Work proactively with the Council's stakeholders & communities to deliver nature recovery & biodiversity projects across South Derbyshire

Work Stream	Targets	Timeframe	Priority	Ease of Implementation	Ownership
Work with Derbyshire County Council and relevant partners within the district (i.e. Derbyshire Wildlife Trust & National Forest Company) to deliver the Local Nature Recovery Strategy for Derbyshire (inc. strategic Biodiversity Net Gain) and other biodiversity projects.	Target 3.1: Identify relevant partners (other than DCC, DWT, NFC) and make direct contact to develop partnerships.	End Mar 2023	HIGH	EASY	*HoCCS (BO) *HoP&SH (PPOS) *DCC
	Target 3.2: Minimum of x5 annual meetings with DCC County Ecologist (with partners, as appropriate). <i>Note: number of meetings may increase when the LNRS process begins.</i>	End Dec 2023	HIGH	EASY	
Improve developer access to the supply of Biodiversity Net Gain offsetting land within South Derbyshire.	Target 3.3: Contact a minimum of x30 third-party organisations to gauge possible quantum of future offsetting land supply within South Derbyshire.	End Feb 2023	HIGH	MODERATE	*HoCCS (BO) *HoP&SH (PPOS)
	Target 3.4: Produce and maintain x1 inventory of third-party offsetting providers within South Derbyshire (i.e. Habitat Banks).	End Sept 2023	HIGH	MODERATE	
Continue to play an active role in the River Mease (SAC) Partnership.	Target 3.5: Ensure Officer attendance at all Partnership meetings.	End Dec 2023	HIGH	EASY	*HoCCS (BO) *HoP&SH (PPOS)
	Target 3.6: Ensure Officer attendance at all Natural England meetings.	End Dec 2023	HIGH	EASY	
Work with the Council's partners to deliver Natural Flood Management (NFM) projects, particularly through the planning system, to reduce flood risk and reconnect watercourses to their floodplain.	Target 3.7: Production of a feasibility study to determine potential NFM projects it would be expedient for the Council to become involved in.	End Dec 2023	HIGH	DIFFICULT	*HoCCS (BO) *HoP&SH (PPOS)
Continue to develop partnerships and devolved management to Parish Councils (and others) in enhancing biodiversity on Council land.	Target 3.8: Contact relevant Parish Councils (i.e. leaseholders) within the District to develop relationships (and any other relevant Council tenants), produce and maintain x1 inventory of Parishes and tenants who rent land with biodiversity potential.	End Mar 2023	LOW	MODERATE	*HoCCS (BO, PO) EEP
	Target 3.9: Provision of biodiversity advice on a minimum of x2 Parish Council projects.	End Dec 2023	LOW	DIFFICULT	
Continue to develop working relationships with local environmental groups/individuals.	Target 3.10: Contact a minimum of x10 environmental groups/individuals to develop relationships, produce an inventory of contacts.	End Mar 2023	HIGH	EASY	*HoCCS (BO, PO) *EEP
	Target 3.11: Encourage a minimum of x3 environmental groups/individuals to actively provide habitat enhancement and management advice on Council land (spread across a minimum of x3 Council sites including Rosliston Forestry Centre).	End Dec 2023	HIGH	DIFFICULT	

OBJECTIVE 3

Work proactively with the Council's stakeholders & communities to deliver nature recovery & biodiversity projects across South Derbyshire

Work Stream	Targets	Timeframe	Priority	Ease of Implementation	Ownership
	Target 3.12: Encourage a minimum of x5 environmental groups/individuals to actively undertake specific survey work and monitoring on Council land (spread across a minimum of x3 Council sites including Rosliston Forestry Centre).	End Dec 2023	HIGH	DIFFICULT	
Deliver biodiversity education programmes for local schools (including raising awareness of the River Mease Special Area of Conservation).	Target 3.13: Deliver a minimum of x3 aquatic education sessions to schools within the Mease catchment area tailored to the Mease education requirements.	End Dec 2023	MODERATE	DIFFICULT	*EEP HoCCS (PO)

OBJECTIVE 4:

Encourage local communities to connect with nature without compromising protection; to support health & wellbeing

Work Stream	Targets	Timeframe	Priority	Ease of Implementation	Ownership
Implement improvements to access infrastructure (inc. visitor information) to Core Nature Sites.	Target 4.1: Produce x1 inventory of works for Core Nature Sites which require access infrastructure improvements, setting out measurable/quantifiable work prescriptions for 2023/4+.	End Apr 2023	V HIGH	EASY	*HoCCS (BO, GSDM)
	Target 4.2: Implement clear access infrastructure improvements on the ground to a minimum of x1 Core Nature Site (subject to grant funding).	End Dec 2023	V HIGH	DIFFICULT	
Deliver wildlife identification events for local communities and groups on Council land.	Target 4.3: Deliver a minimum of x3 public events to engage the public in wildlife identification and reporting nature sightings (spread across a minimum of x3 Council sites including Rosliston Forestry Centre).	End Dec 2023	HIGH	MODERATE	*HoCCS (PO, BO) *EEP
	Target 4.4: Undertake 1 x consultation activity and run 1 x thank you event for project/survey participants to identify opportunities for the following year.	End Dec 2023	HIGH	MODERATE	*HoCCS (PO, BO) *EEP
Support individuals and local environmental groups in identifying and submitting species records for Council land, their gardens and other sites across the district.	Target 4.5: Deliver x1 social media campaign to promote submission of wildlife records through: South Derbyshire Environmental Forum Network. Derbyshire Biological Records Centre (DWT), iRecord, SDDC website link to DWT. Supported by Targets 3.12 & 4.3	End Dec 2023	HIGH	MODERATE	*HoCCS (BO, PO) *EEP
Deliver environmental education and outdoor volunteering opportunities on Council land and other sites within the district.	Target 4.6: School sessions to be delivered on at least 3x sites (with a preference towards Council land).	End Dec 2023	HIGH	DIFFICULT	*HoCCS (PO) *EEP

OBJECTIVE 4:					
Encourage local communities to connect with nature without compromising protection; to support health & wellbeing					
Work Stream	Targets	Timeframe	Priority	Ease of Implementation	Ownership
	Target 4.7: Adult volunteering sessions to be delivered on at least 3x sites (with a preference towards Council land).	End Dec 2023	HIGH	DIFFICULT	*HoCCS (PO) *EEP
Deliver opportunities for green prescribing and/or exercise sessions at on Council land and other sites within the district.	Target 4.8: X6 led sessions advertised each month.	End of Dec	MEDIUM	MODERATE	*GaiTF (Get Active in the Forest) *EEP *HoCCS (PO)
Provide advice and signposting support to community groups enhancing biodiversity on non-Council land (where resources allow).	Target 4.9: No specific target required, but record number of local groups assisted.	End Dec 2023	LOW	MODERATE	*HoCCS (BO) EEP

OBJECTIVE 5:					
Think creatively to boost the delivery of positive biodiversity outcomes within South Derbyshire					
Work Stream	Targets	Timeframe	Priority	Ease of Implementation	Ownership
Maximise the potential enhancements to Council land funded through Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG) schemes.	Target 5.1: Produce x1 detailed inventory of Council sites with potential for BNG, including potential Credits on offer.	End Sept 2023	V HIGH	MODERATE	*HoCCS (BO) *HoP&SH (PPOS)
Assess the potential for the Council to acquire/adopt land funded through BNG schemes.	Target 5.2: Production of x1 feasibility study.	End Jun 2023	HIGH	DIFFICULT	*HoCCS (BO) *HoP&SH (PPOS) HoCP
Maximise opportunities for securing grant funding for biodiversity improvements on Council land.	Target 5.3: Produce and maintain x1 inventory of potential biodiversity grant funding sources.	End Feb 2023	HIGH	EASY	*HoCCS (BO) EEP Communities Team
	Target 5.4: Seek to support biodiversity improvements on a minimum of x1 Core Nature Site through external funding bids.	End Dec 2023	HIGH	DIFFICULT	
Improve the current Biodiversity resource on the Council's website, with a view to creating and maintaining a dedicated webpage.	Target 5.5: Production of a feasibility report outlining key concepts, requirements, and likely timeframes.	End June 2023	HIGH	EASY	*HoCCS (BO) *EEP
Record Council Nature Sites that could accommodate great crested newt ponds funded through Natural England's District	Target 5.6: Inventory of Council sites which could accommodate ponds.	End Sept 2023	MEDIUM	MODERATE	*HoCCS (BO)

OBJECTIVE 5:

Think creatively to boost the delivery of positive biodiversity outcomes within South Derbyshire

Work Stream	Targets	Timeframe	Priority	Ease of Implementation	Ownership
Level Licencing (DLL) Scheme (NB. developer demand for ponds is to date, low).					
Assess the potential to create an Ecological Network Map across South Derbyshire, to assist planning and development decisions, with a view to uploading the network to iShare GIS database and adoption into planning policy.	Target 5.7: Production of x1 feasibility study.	End Dec 2023	MEDIUM	DIFFICULT	*HoCCS (BO) *HoP&SH (PPOS) HoOS (TOgis)
Make the Action Plan for Nature Biodiversity Opportunity Mapping (BOM) more accessible to Officers.	Target 5.8: Upload BOM GIS files to the Council's iShare GIS system.	End Dec 2023	MEDIUM	DIFFICULT	*HoCCS (BO) HoOS (TOgis)

APPENDIX 2

POTENTIAL PARTNERS

POTENTIAL PARTNERS TO ASSIST IN DELIVERING THE APN WORK PROGRAMME*

Government	Local Government	Private Sector	Charities	Local Wildlife Groups	Other	
Natural England	Derbyshire County Council	Severn Trent Water	Derbyshire Wildlife Trust	Derbyshire Reptile and Amphibian Group	Environmental Education Project (SDDC / Rosliston)	
Environment Agency	Parish Councils	Land Agents	National Forest Company	Derbyshire Bat Group	Heartwood Wood Fuel Group	
Forestry England	Derby City Council	Farmers	Trent Rivers Trust	Derbyshire Swift Conservation Group	River Mease Partnership	
Highways England	Bolsover Council	Landowners	Transforming the Trent Valley	South Derbyshire Badger Group	South Derbyshire Environmental Forum	
	Amber Valley Council	Habitat Banks	The Conservation Volunteers	Butterfly Conservation Trust (East Midlands)	Derbyshire Biological Records Centre (DWT)	
	Derbyshire Dales Council	East Midlands Airport	The National Trust	Derbyshire Ornithological Society	Greenwood Days	
	Erewash Council		Royal Entomology Society	Derbyshire and Notts Entomological Society	Whistewood Common	
	North-West Leics Council		Groundwork	Derbyshire Mammal Society	Village Groups (inc. Findern Footpaths, Melbourne Footpaths)	
	East Staffordshire Council		Canal and River Trust	Birdwatching for Beginners	Burton Conservation Volunteers	
	Litchfield Council		Buglife		Derbyshire Flora Group (part of Botanical Society of Britain and Ireland)	Swadlincote in Bloom
						Melbourne Civic Society
						Wild Minds
			The Woodland Trust		Mimi's Wood, Bretby	
			British Trust for Ornithology		Circularity	

*The Environmental Education Project (Parks and Green Spaces/Rosliston) holds contact details for these groups and individuals within the South Derbyshire Environmental Forum network

REPORT TO:	ENVIRONMENTAL AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM: 9
DATE OF MEETING:	26 JANUARY 2023	CATEGORY: DELEGATED
REPORT FROM:	CHIEF EXECUTIVE	OPEN
MEMBERS' CONTACT POINT:	FRANK MCARDLE (01283 595702) frank.mcardle@southderbyshire.gov.uk	DOC:
SUBJECT:	TOYOTA CITY	REF:
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	ALL	TERMS OF REFERENCE: FM 08

1.0 Recommendations

- 1.1 That the importance of the relationship with Toyota City to South Derbyshire, particularly in terms of inward investment and employment, is recognised.
- 1.2 That the activities of the Toyota City Partnership Board continue to be supported.
- 1.3 That a one-off budget of £20,000 is allocated from General Fund Reserves to support the further development of this successful relationship for the benefit of the local economy.

2.0 Purpose of Report

- 2.1 To report on the strengthening of a long-standing international link with Toyota City in Japan that has brought thousands of jobs and over a billion pounds in investment to South Derbyshire over the last twenty-five years.
- 2.2 To seek approval for the allocation of resources to continue to work with Toyota City at this important anniversary, in order to broaden and further develop the successful relationship for the benefit of the local community and economy.

3.0 Detail

Toyota Motor Manufacturing (UK) Limited (TMUK)

- 3.1 TMUK has continued to play a major role in the economy of South Derbyshire in recent years. In 2018 production of the Avensis model concluded with 1,936,572 cars having been produced. A new model, the Corolla, was introduced in 2019. The Corolla Hybrid, Hatchback, Touring Sports and the conventional Corolla are all built at Burnaston with many parts and materials supplied by UK companies.

- 3.2 In 2020 the Burnaston plant produced its 4.5 millionth vehicle. The plant completes a car every 89 seconds, which is 3,000 vehicles a week and on average 150,000 a year. Of that total, almost 90 per cent are exported to overseas markets, principally in Europe, reinforcing Toyota's key status in UK manufacturing.
- 3.3 Toyota has been promoting a multi-path approach to reducing emissions for more than 20 years. This strategy encompasses all technologies from Hybrid Electric, Plug-In Hybrid Electric, Battery Electric through to Fuel Cell Electric. Hydrogen is seen as one of the key building blocks towards carbon neutrality, using fuel cell technology for mobility and in the wider economy beyond transport. TMUK has recently announced plans to develop a fuel cell powered Hilux pick-up truck at Burnaston. It is anticipated that small scale production of initial prototype vehicles will take place at Burnaston throughout 2023. Then based on the outcome, this could result in small series production at the plant.
- 3.4 Over 3,000 people are employed at Burnaston and at TMUK's engine plant in Deeside, which supports a thriving supply chain and pumps millions of pounds into the local economy every year. The two plants represent an investment of some £2.75 billion. TMUK also continues to support a range of local educational and community activities, including through the Toyota Manufacturing UK Charitable Trust.
- 3.5 The motor company is headquartered in Toyota City, which hosted the start of the Japan round of the World Rally Championship in 2022. Toyota Gazoo Racing World Rally Team won both the driver and manufacturer titles of the Fédération Internationale de l'Automobile World Rally Championship in 2022.

Toyota City Partnership Board

- 3.6 The Toyota City Partnership Board was established in 2018, facilitated by Derbyshire County Council, to further develop and enhance the wider partnership vision for the Toyota friendship by bringing together key economic and cultural stakeholders to work positively alongside the three twinning local authorities. Membership of the Board includes the District Council, Derby City Council, Derbyshire County Council, TMUK, the University of Derby, Burton and South Derbyshire College and the National Forest Company.
- 3.7 The Board has overseen a rolling programme of activities, including:
- student exchanges, including virtual exchanges during the pandemic;
 - development of links between further and higher education institutions;
 - sporting exchanges, linked to St George's Park and the Rugby World Cup;
 - cultural exchanges, including artistic and musical collaborations;
 - awareness raising activities at public events;
 - knowledge exchanges, including environmental programmes, adult care services and exporting;
 - the planting of cherry trees in parks and school grounds;
 - hosting of the Japanese Ambassador and a reception at Westminster; and,
 - relocation of the Derbyshire Japanese School to the John Port Spencer Academy at Etwall.

Twenty-Fifth Anniversary Activities

- 3.8 In 2023 Derbyshire will celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of its relationship with Toyota City. An anniversary programme of events and activities is proposed with a mix of business, civic, cultural and educational initiatives. This will be overseen by the Toyota City Partnership Board and the year is expected to include public promotions and student exchanges.

4.0 Financial Implications

- 4.1 It is proposed that an amount of £20,000 be allocated from General Reserves to support the further development of joint initiatives. It is anticipated that this funding will be utilised over several years to facilitate visits, events and the acquisition of project materials, as required.

5.0 Corporate Implications

Corporate Plan Implications

- 5.1 The relationship between Derbyshire and Toyota City has the potential to contribute to:
- 'Our Future' which aims to grow our District and our skills base - attracting and retaining skilled jobs in the District; and, encouraging and supporting business development and new investment in the District.

6.0 Community Impact

Consultation

- 6.1 The Board is consulting with its stakeholders on the projects to be undertaken and the delivery of activities.

Equality and Diversity Impact

- 6.2 A key aspect of the relationship with Toyota City is the promotion of closer relationships and greater understanding between communities in the UK and Japan.

Social Value Impact

- 6.3 The international relationship provides many opportunities to generate social value benefits, for example for young people involved in exchanges.

Environmental Sustainability

- 6.4 The environment is a key theme of the relationship with Toyota City, reflecting the importance that TMUK places on reducing energy use and minimising waste.

7.0 Conclusions

- 7.1 As the rewards of the relationship with Toyota City continue to grow, it is recommended that Members support the allocation of resources to further develop the benefits for the local economy and community of South Derbyshire.

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DATE OF MEETING:	26 JANUARY 2023	CATEGORY: DELEGATED
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SUBJECT:	COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME	REF:
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	ALL	TERMS OF REFERENCE: G

1.0 Recommendations

1.1 That the Committee considers and approves the updated work programme.

2.0 Purpose of Report

2.1 The Committee is asked to consider the updated work programme.

3.0 Detail

3.1 Attached at Annexe 'A' is an updated work programme document. The Committee is asked to consider and review the content of this document.

4.0 Financial Implications

4.1 None arising directly from this report.

5.0 Background Papers

5.1 Work Programme.

Environmental & Development Committee 26 January 2023 Work Programme

Work Programme Area	Date of Committee meetings	Contact Officer (Contact details)
Reports Previously Considered by Last Three Committees		
Climate Emergency Action Plan revision	11 August 2022	Matt Holford Head of Environmental Services (01283) 595856
Enforcement and Regulatory Activity report 2021/22	11 August 2022	Matt Holford Head of Environmental Services (01283) 595856
Corporate Plan 2020-24: Performance Report (2022-2023 Quarter 1 – 1 April to 30 June)	11 August 2022	Jennifer Doughty Corporate Performance and Policy Officer (01283) 228746
Archaeological Consultancy Services	11 August 2022	Steffan Saunders Head of Planning and Strategic Housing 07971604326
Biodiversity Consultancy Services	11 August 2022	Steffan Saunders Head of Planning and Strategic Housing 07971604326
Amendments to the planning application validation process	11 August 2022	Steffan Saunders Head of Planning and Strategic Housing 07971604326
Central Building Control Partnership Performance Report	11 August 2022	Steffan Saunders Head of Planning and Strategic Housing 07971604326
Local Plan – Issues and Options Consultation	22 September 2022	Karen Beavin Planning Policy Team Leader (01283) 595749

Annual Infrastructure Funding Statement	10 November 2022	Steffan Saunders Head of Planning and Strategic Housing 07971604326
Public Spaces Protection Orders	10 November 2022	Matt Holford Head of Environmental Services (01283) 595856
Corporate Plan Performance Report Q2	10 November 2022	Clare Booth Corporate Performance & Policy Officer (01283) 595788
Environmental Services - commercialisation business plan	10 November	Matt Holford Head of Environmental Services (01283) 595856
Ban on Release of Balloons	10 November 2022	Sean McBurney Head of Cultural and Community Services
Service Base Budgets	03 January 2023	Charlotte Jackson Head of Finance (01283) 595901
Provisional Programme of Reports To Be Considered by Committee		
Work of the Corporate Environmental Sustainability Group	26 January 2023	Matt Holford Head of Environmental Services (01283) 595856
Authority Monitoring Report	26 January 2023	Steffan Saunders Head of Planning and Strategic Housing 07971604326
Designation of Neighbourhood Area	26 January 2023	Jessica Cheadle Planning Policy Assistant (01283) 595820
Revision to Action Plan For Nature Work Programme	26 January 2023	Christopher Worman Parks and Green Spaces Manager (01283) 595774

Toyota City	26 January 2023	Mike Roylance Head of Economic Development and Growth (01283) 595725
East Midlands Airport Airspace Redesign Consultation (changing the flight paths)	TBC	Planning Policy Team Leader (01283) 595749
Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment Report	TBC	Planning Policy Team Leader (01283) 595749
Statement of Community Involvement	TBC	Planning Policy Team Leader (01283) 595749