

Council Plan 2023-2027 – A summary of progress by objective for the period ending 31st December 2023

A Great Place to Work

*The following progress has been made on **A community with a diverse range of commutable employment that match the skills of residents***

Work with partners to match and develop local skills with local business employment need.

Developing a joint procurement exercise for the Green Skills project with Chesterfield Borough Council (£100k UKSPF) – (Regeneration and Programmes).

Ensure major developments encourage local training and employment opportunities in line with condition requested by Economic Development Team e.g., condition 2 of planning permission 23/00708/FL (Whiteleas Avenue) – (Planning).

Clay Cross Active Social Value initiative: Local labour 52%, 1 local employee who was previously unemployed, Local apprentice started 4th September, 2x t-level students to start on January 2024 (Leisure).

*The following progress has been made on **A community with growing, commutable employment opportunities***

Support existing businesses (including the Council) to maintain and grow workforce.

Shop Front Enhancement Scheme funded 13 sites to date, with 5 under appraisal and 23 in the pipeline (Regeneration and Programmes).

Approved app 23/00333/FL (old Colliery Yard, Morton) for new building at existing business to increase storage space (Planning).

Prompt payment of invoices aids the supply chain especially for smaller local businesses so it important that we pay suppliers on time. In December 99% of invoices were paid promptly (Target 98%) (Finance).

Support new business to start creating employment.

UKSPF supporting Vision Derbyshire Business Start-Up project (Regeneration and Programmes).

Approved CCTD (23/00601/FL) redevelopment which will potentially create 16 new build commercial units and bring back into use two historic buildings in the town centre (Planning).

Instagram campaign held in December supporting local businesses which was run as a Christmas calendar, highlighting a new business for each of the 24 days (Communications & Finance).

Environmental Health officers continue to provide advice to businesses and potential new business owners on a range of issues including creation of Houses in Multiple Occupation, new developments requiring permitting under Environmental Pollution regulations, setting up of new food premises etc. During the next quarter the service will be exploring ways to better capture this to demonstrate our impact.

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Attract new businesses to the area which brings new jobs.

Participated in the consultation and development of the forthcoming Derbyshire (D2) Inward Investment Strategy (Regeneration and Programmes).

Disposal of land specifically brought forward for Employment Uses could be prioritised through the Asset Management process. The sites should be attractive to developers so they will be built out and new businesses are then attracted to the area.

Land at Rotherwood Rd Killamarsh under review to be brought forward - 3.3acre site zoned General Employment Area in Local Plan (Property and Estates).