

North East Derbyshire Council

Communities Scrutiny Committee

**Council Plan Objective – A Great Place to Live Well –
Update October to December 2024**

26th February 2024

Report of the Information and Improvement Manager

Classification: This report is public

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Contact Officer: As above

PURPOSE / SUMMARY

To report progress on the strategies underpinning the Council Plan objective - “A great place to live well” for the period ending 31st December 2024.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That progress against the Council Plan “A great place to live well” objective be noted.
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IMPLICATIONS

Finance and Risk: Yes No

Details:

On Behalf of the Section 151 Officer

Legal (including Data Protection): Yes No

Details

On Behalf of the Solicitor to the Council

Staffing: Yes No

Details:

On behalf of the Head of Paid Service

DECISION INFORMATION

Decision Information	
<p>Is the decision a Key Decision? A Key Decision is an executive decision which has a significant impact on two or more District wards or which results in income or expenditure to the Council above the following thresholds:</p> <p>NEDDC: Revenue - £125,000 <input type="checkbox"/> Capital - £310,000 <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Please indicate which threshold applies</i></p>	No
<p>Is the decision subject to Call-In? (Only Key Decisions are subject to Call-In)</p>	N/A
<p>District Wards Significantly Affected</p>	All
Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) details:	
<p>Stage 1 screening undertaken</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed EIA stage 1 to be appended if not required to do a stage 2 	N/A - information only report
<p>Stage 2 full assessment undertaken</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed EIA stage 2 needs to be appended to the report 	No, not applicable
<p>Consultation: Leader / Deputy Leader <input type="checkbox"/> Cabinet <input type="checkbox"/> SMT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Relevant Service Manager <input type="checkbox"/> Members <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/></p>	Yes Details:

Links to Council Plan priorities, including Climate Change, Equalities, and Economics and Health implications.

- A great place to live well council plan objective:
- A Community with Lifelong Good Health
 - A place to live that people value
 - A place where people enjoy spending time

REPORT DETAILS

1 Background

1.1 The Council plan 2023-27 has four objectives:

- A great place to work.
- A great place to access good public services.
- A great place to live well.
- A great place that cares for the environment

Information on the work undertaken this quarter under the live well objective is contained at appendix one.

- 1.2 Under the live well objective there are three strategies - A community with lifelong good health, A place to live that people value and A place where people enjoy spending time. Underneath are tactics - our approaches to positively influence the strategies.

2. Details of Proposal or Information

- 2.1 The appendix notes under each strategy and tactic the significant work that has been undertaken during this period together with a suite of metrics.
- 2.2 Notable achievements include completion of Dronfield Active swimming pool refurbishment, over 160 families taking part in the Winter walking trail in Clay Cross as part of the collaborative active neighbourhood pilot work, a successful litter prosecution in Clay Cross and the award of an additional £35,970 to Walking into Communities to extend the project for 4 years.
- 2.3 Regarding the challenging target to bring six long term empty properties back into use during 2024/25, the Empty Homes Officer after a long period of collaborative work has supported four empty properties back into use this quarter.
- 2.4 Regarding metric exceptions – four out of the five metrics are at exception this quarter:
- Leisure participation is down this quarter affected by a 2-week closure of the gym at Eckington and a 6-week closure at of the pool at Dronfield both for refurbishment.
 - Community-based activities has been affected by a long-term staff absence which impacted on pupil participation numbers.
 - The number of targeted proactive littering/dog fouling patrols carried out and number of proactive community patrols or events focussing on litter, waste, and dog fouling continue to be at exception from Q2 due to staffing issues. Whilst a new employee has now started in role it is unlikely that these targets will recover by the financial year end.
- 2.5 The report was taken to Senior Management team on 27th January 2024 for consideration and oversight.

3 Reasons for Recommendation

- 3.1 This is an information report to keep Members informed of progress against the council plan objective for a great place to live well.

4 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection

4.1 Not applicable to this report as providing an overview of progress against the council plan objective for a great place to live well.

DOCUMENT INFORMATION

Appendix No	Title
1	A summary of progress for the Council Plan objective – A great place to live well – for the period ending December 2024
Background Papers (These are unpublished works which have been relied on to a material extent when preparing the report. They must be listed in the section below. If the report is going to Cabinet you must provide copies of the background papers)	