NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL



2018/2019 reporting against Projects identified in the Corporate Plan – as at 18/02/2019

For Q3 2018/2019 North Hertfordshire District Council is reporting against 10 Projects identified in the Corporate Plan 2018-23

Key for the Report

Status key							
Project Halted / Project more than 12 months late.							
Project behind original due date/ unlikely to hit original due date.							
Project not due for completion in 2018/19 or has not reached due date							
Project Completed.							

Status	Q3	Q2	Summary of Movement this Qtr
	1	1	
	2	2	
	5	7	
②	2	0	Shared Waste Project/ Construction of road and pathway Wilbury Hills Cemetery
Total	10	10	

• Where projects are carried over from 1718 their status is retained until they are complete – to ensure transparency

Description in	Corporate	Portfolio	Milestones – current	Due Date	Overall	Comments
Corporate Plan	Objective		year and beyond		Status	
Status – RED - 1						
Complete the fit out and open the North Hertfordshire Museum and Community Facility	Prosper & Protect	Leisure	Continue to negotiate on	Original due date 30 September 2015 31/07/2018		The purchase of 14/15 Brand Street concluded on 30/01/2019. The Council can now move forward with completing the final fit out of the Museum, with the intention of being fully open this Summer. A joint press release
			possible acquisition of 14/15 Brand Street.			between NHDC, Hitchin Town Hall Ltd and Hitchin Town Hall
Prince II			14/15 Brand Street.			Finance Ltd was also sent out
Date of Last Project Board – 18 July 2017. Exception report since last			Report to Cabinet on proposed way forward.	September 2018		confirming the completion of the sale.
Quarter – None.			Complete fit out of Museum.			
Status - AMBER -	2	1				
Development of a Crematorium in North Hertfordshire - subject to approval by	Prosper & Protect	Waste, Recycling & Env	Obtain outline planning permission from Central Beds.	July 2018		NHDC are in the process of responding to further enquiries raised by Central Beds Planning. We have requested a further one month extension to determine
Cabinet March 2017			Agree the Heads of Terms and Options Agreements with our nominated partner.	July 2018 31 Dec 2018		the planning application. Once Central Beds has responded to our enquiries we shall request confirmation from Central Beds Planning on where we stand with
			Prospective tenant exercises the option and			the planning application.

			enters into an agreement for lease (the prospective tenant will be responsible for applying for detailed planning permission). The prospective tenant enters into a lease, in accordance with the Heads of Terms, following the grant of detailed planning permission	31 Mar 2019	
				December 2020	
			Practical Completion of Crematorium		
Investigating a range of options to improve use of Council assets	Responsive & Efficient	Various	Report to Cabinet Shareholder Sub- Committee on potential options	15 March 2018	Draft legal documentation has been prepared, including the articles of association and a shareholders agreement. These documents will provide
NOT Prince II b/f from 1718			Obtain Cabinet approval to establish a Property Company	31 Mar 2018 Mid 2018	governance for the Company and set out the relationship between the Company and the Council. Officers are also
			Set up Property Company		producing a business plan for the Company and once this is complete, the legal paperwork will be finalised. The Council has now agreed a name for the

Status ODEEN					Company. It is anticipated that the Company will be registered and ready for business by the end of March 2019. Although this is behind the original target dat of 30 September 2018, this does not impact on the associated projects, as the first piece of work that requires a company is the letting of Harkness Court, which is currently programmed to complete in Autumn 2019
Status – GREEN - Submission of a	Frosper &	Planning &	Consultation on major	Jan - March	Currently the Inspector's focus is
Local Plan for North Herts	Protect	Enterprise	modifications (timescale dependent upon	2019	on the Main Modifications consultation and the consultation
			Planning Inspectorate)		on the additional work submitted to the Examination. Responses
			Publication of Inspectors Report (timescale		will be collated and forwarded to the Inspector for his
			dependant upon Planning Inspectorate)	ТВС	consideration.
			Adoption of the new local	TBC	The relevant timescales are dependent upon the Planning
			plan report to Full	TBC	Inspectorate and the content of
			Council (timescale dependant upon		its report. As such, the remaining milestone due dates have been
Not Prince II			Planning Inspectorate)		removed until the relevant requirements have been clarified

Designating air quality management areas in Hitchin to address the improvement of	Attractive & Thriving	Housing & Env Health	•Development of ECOstars scheme for business to reduce emissions from freight deliveries	To be confirmed	The Council were not successful with a bid to DEFRA for a grant to progress this scheme. Officers are reviewing alternative funding options.
the air quality – Stevenage Road and Paynes Park. (5 Year Plan commenced 2018) Not Prince II			•Investigate options for extending and improving electric vehicle recharging facilities in the district	On-going	Briefing meeting held with Executive and Shadow Executive Members leading to a one-off bid for funding to support the provision of a strategy in association with the Council's revised Parking Strategy. The funding was approved by Full Council on 07/02/19.
			•Anti-idling campaign to encourage drivers to switch off when stationary, including investigation of enforcement options	Spring/Summer 2019	Officers are negotiating with developers through the planning process to implement charging points within new homes Initial survey of Hitchin town centre completed Feb. 2019. Research & preparation of anti-idling leaflet underway.
			•Review of on-street parking in air quality management areas	TBC subject to Parking strategy Action Plan	Will be co-ordinated with next general review of parking in Hitchin - date to be confirmed
			•Participate in National Clean Air Day	Annual	Completed for 2018 - retweeting

			•Contribute development of Air Alert texting scheme with HCC and other partners	2019	HCC are supporting NHDC to promote the scheme implementation and target audience. This is a joint Herts/Beds initiative led by NHDC. A contract has been placed in conjunction with a number of other authorities to provide the proposed text service. Commencement date is February 2019. There will be publicity about this service coming out once the 'go live' date is confirmed.
Churchgate Project will span more than one financial year Once actual project commences will be Prince II Date of Last Project Board n/a	Attractive & Thriving	Commercial	Full Council approval obtained to principle of joint venture funded by the Council. Further work required to look at detail of proposals before reporting back to Full Council. Further work to be undertaken to explore potential options prior to reporting back to Full Council at a future date	Tbc	Full Council 7 February 2019 noted that the SPG proposals would not be proceeding following the failure to secure LEP funding Consideration is being given to a potential Future High Streets Fund bid. This decision is to be taken by Full Council at a special meeting. Date to be confirmed.

Bancroft recreation ground	Attractive & Thriving	Leisure & Environment	Procurement Exercise	Oct 2018		£60k grant secured from Sport England.
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(£170,000)						Planning permission for lighting
Subject to securing Sport England grant			Completion of MUGA	July 2019		columns obtained. Procurement of contractors to carry out work currently at evaluation stage. Project due to commence April 2019 and is on course to
Not Prince II						complete July 2019.
Renovation of	Attractive &	Leisure &				
Play area, District Park, Great Ashby	Thriving	Environment	Consultation on design	Sept 2018		A Public Consultation event was held on 8 September to inform design.
(£75,000)			Carry out procurement exercise	Nov 2018		Order raised and we are currently awaiting delivery of
Not Prince II						equipment, after which the works will commence.
			Completion of Works	July 2019		
Status - COMPLE	TE -2					
Renewing our waste and street cleansing contracts,	Attractive & Thriving	Waste, Recycling & Env	Tenders returned	July 2017	9	The new shared waste contract commenced on time in May 2018, but has continued to be reported due to the issues with
continuing to provide an efficient and			Inter Authority agreement signed	July 2017		performance. The project has now been
effective service			Contract Award	Sept 2017		signed off by the Project Board, so marked as complete. Officers are still working closely with the
Prince II			Contract	May 2018		Contractor in order to ensure any

Date of Last Project Board – 08 August 2018 Exception report since last Quarter – None			Commencement			A further detailed update for Waste has been provided in Appendix B, showing data for missed bins. Appendix C identifies the lessons learned from the project, signed off by Project Board.
Delivering identified projects from the adopted Green Space Strategy (Report to Cabinet 24/01/2017)	Attractive & Thriving	Leisure & Environment	Procurement Exercise	Sept 2018	•	
Construction of pathway and Roadway at Wilbury Hills Cemetery, Letchworth (£35,000)			Completion of Works	March 2019		Completed 22/01/2019