

LOUGHBOROUGH AREA COMMITTEE – 15TH JUNE 2022

Report of the Head of Cleansing and Open Spaces

Part A

ITEM 8 LOUGHBOROUGH ANNUAL UPDATE REPORT 2021/22

Purpose of Report

To provide information and updates on significant matters relating to the town of Loughborough.

Recommendation

That the report be noted.

Reason

To ensure that members of the Committee are kept up to date on significant matters relating to the town of Loughborough.

Policy Justification and Previous Decisions

At its meeting on 22nd January 2018, Full Council approved the establishment of the Loughborough Area Committee and its terms of reference, to establish a more formal role for those Borough Councillors representing wards within Loughborough in key matters relating to the town.

As part of those terms of reference the Committee receives an annual review of significant matters relating to the Loughborough town area.

Report Implications

The following implications have been identified for this report.

Financial Implications

There are none.

Risk Management

There are no specific risks associated with this decision.

Background Papers: None

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Part B

Nanpantan Road Cemetery (Head of Cleansing and Open Spaces)

1. Construction work to build a new cemetery started in July 2021 and is nearing completion. The project included the reconfiguration of Nanpantan Road Sports Ground Car Park, the installation of a new multi-use games area, and the construction of a new access road in addition to the construction of the cemetery. Work on the cemetery itself comprised of the installation of a detention basin, land drainage, cemetery car park, internal roads and pathways and landscaping.
2. The outstanding work mainly consists of minor landscaping tasks, signage improvements and minor layout alterations. It is hoped that the cemetery will be formally opened in the autumn.
3. The project has cost approx. £1.2m, which has been funded via the Council's capital programme. Phase 1 of the site will provide burial space for approximately 100 years (5,000 plots).
4. Public interest in the cemetery has been significant with several residents expressing an interest in pre-purchasing a plot. The Council prevented residents from pre-purchasing plots a number of years ago due to space constraints at the Leicester Rd Cemetery. Once the new cemetery is open, the ability for resident to pre-purchase plots will be reinstated.
5. Following the official opening of the new cemetery, an open day will be arranged for residents who will be able to have a tour of the site and ask any questions around the construction or regular day to day operations at the site.