

Clifton Neighbourhood Board meeting

9th October 2025, 1-2pm

Teams

Present:

Holly Dagnall
Cllr Hayley Spain
Clare Ashton
Stephen Hackney (Chair)
Charlotte Batterham
Sarah Speight
Insp Steve Dalby
Cllr Maria Watson
Cllr Linda Woodings
Lilian Greenwood
Tina Paddon

Matt Wheatley
Claire McCurdy (notes)

Apologies:

Tracy Osborne
Sue Whitehead
Gene Warburton
Mark Armstrong

1. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Minutes accepted with no amendments.

2. Working group updates

4 workstreams/ themes for the first phase of the programme:

- High Streets and Market – had one meeting, follow up meeting to be arranged.
- Parks, playing fields and green spaces – meeting on site 10/10/25 to look at options, in particular for the Playing Fields
- Youth – to be discussed later in the meeting, following on from open meeting on 16/9/25
- Community support - to be discussed later in the meeting.

Request for board members to support the working groups with where their skills or interests align. Stephen to write out to board members as Chair with the details of the groups.

3. Pride in Place Programme updates

Programme has now been rebranded from the “Plan for Neighbourhoods” and is now part of the Pride in Place Programme. Clifton (and the other 74 areas in the original programme) will be known as Phase 1, and two additional areas in Nottingham (St Anns East and Broxtowe/ Cinderhill) will form part of Phase 2, coming on line afterwards. These new boards will work in the same way with £20m to spend over 10 years with the same interventions. There are no anticipated changes to the programme for Clifton, and the pre-approved interventions remain the same.

4. Backbone function

Board members need to decide on how the programme will be resourced, not only because the budget is necessary for the regeneration plan, but also to look at how the programme will be delivered when it moves through the planning and delivery stages. This is also something that has been discussed through the Place Matters training sessions.

Discussed need to review Programme Manager role and functions, with reference to planning and shaping the project, and additional support that may be needed, in particular communications and engagement support. Discussed that capacity building funding should be used in the first instance for the role/s. Proposed a sub group for looking into this and asked for volunteers to take part.

Action: Stephen, Matt, Clare, Holly and Sarah (or NTU rep) as well as Claire will meet to look at the role and make recommendations for the board.

5. Proposals Youth/ Community support

Discussed the proposal sent around prior to the meeting, and with thanks to board members who had edited and made amendments. This proposal includes the youth provision feedback and conversations. This proposal will allow the work to progress and move the strategy forward, especially as this work crosses over into the other workstreams and the work of Clifton Together (Collective Impact) and Innovation Funding that Nottingham City Council is managing.

Discussed the opportunities that may present from Greenwood Academy Trust brings to the former Green Lane youth centre. Stephen to pick up a conversation with Wayne Norrie around this.

Agreed that capacity is needed to bring together the local community providers, provide them with support whilst engaging with the young people who may not be already tapped into provision, so that a strategic programme can be developed.

Also agreed that mapping of community spaces to deliver from is needed, including schools and other facilities as they will be essential to enabling groups and activities to run. Suggestion of including young people up to 25 in the proposal to account for care leavers and young people with disabilities.

Agreed to move forward with this proposal, and work on the finance aspect of this.

Claire introduced the Community Support proposal. There was support for the grants proposal, especially seed grants which are well received and can make a huge difference to allow activities to take place. Suggested subgroup could refine criteria and make recommendations to the board on the process. Link the support for groups suggestion which has previously been discussed to the backbone function discussion, and how this could be feasible, checking what support is already available and matching it to groups.

Agreed to re-look at this proposal once Claire has refined it following the discussions around the backbone function and resource allocation.

AOB – Christmas event. Following the proposal sent via email after the last meeting, approval has been provided by the board and planning will commence with support from Adam Huckerby within the Communities Team to book. Event will take place on 5th December 2025.

Date of next meeting: Thursday 30th October 2025, 4.30pm for final Place Matters session