

Clifton Neighbourhood Board meeting

Thursday 13th November 2025,

Hope Centre/ Teams

Present:

Stephen Hackney (Chair)
Tracy Osborne
Cllr Maria Watson
Jemma Malloney
Sarah Speight
Matthew Wheatley

Cllr Hayley Spain
Holly Dagnall
Charlotte Batterham
Clare Ashton
Mark Armstrong
Claire McCurdy (notes)

Apologies:

Cllr Linda Woodings
Tina Paddon
Sue Whitehead
Insp Steve Dalby

Lilian Greenwood
Stacey Trainer
Gene Warburton

Welcome, apologies and introductions:

Notes accepted as a record of the last meeting.

Documents for MHCLG:

Board need to discuss, amend and finally approve the draft documents circulated prior to the meeting with the 10 year vision document, the 4 year regeneration plan and the draft budget to be considered. All documents need to be agreed and submitted to MHCLG for approval by noon on 28th November 2025. The Section 151 Officer (Chief Finance Officer) will need to give approval to the plans before they can be sent off too, which makes the sign off deadline the meeting on 20th.

Agreed to begin with the budget as this gives the weighting for resources to be allocated. Note that this is a draft and is subject to amendment following feedback from MHCLG before the start of the new financial year/ delivery phase.

Budget:

Discussed the budget lines, why amounts were included and the impact of the decision. Staffing costs are split between the capacity building funding that has already been received and revenue in order to reduce the burden on the revenue funding. A small sub group met to look at the “backbone function” of staffing and resources. Discussed potential opportunities that may come from the new Neighbourhood Boards within the city. Allocation made in the budget for a full time Programme Manager and part time officer (Job Description and grading to be confirmed).

Points discussed:

- Need to explore options for voluntary support – both involvement in the working groups and local groups, as well as involvement from students.

- Principles of how money is spent – look at local sources and social value to bring long lasting impact. This will be part of the approach with the Procurement Team.
- Need for a more formalised statement of intent around staff involvement (for example the time spent supporting the developments by the Town Centre Manager) and other in-kind support.
- Clarification of the relationship when looking at improvements and development on what are Nottingham City Council assets. Suggestion of working with other boards and support available from MHCLG around this. Professional fees may not be necessary as MHCLG are procuring a number of professional services that can be utilized by boards.
Action: Matt to check on corporate policy so the board can ensure sufficient capacity to deliver the work.
- Need to increase the length of the youth development pilot to ensure learning is embedded in the delivery.
- **Action:** Members present approved the budget with the amendments made in the meeting,

Progress from here:

Need to approve the 10 year vision document (which contains wider information than the short vision and objectives that have been previously agreed) and the 4 year regeneration plan now that the draft budget is confirmed and approved. This will need to take place at the next meeting. Thank you to those who have already sent in feedback.

Next meeting – Thursday 20th November 2025 at Hope Church.