

**Report of the Strategic Director**

<b>CLEAN AND GREEN</b>
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1. Purpose of report

To update Members on the progress of the 'Clean and Green' initiative.

2. Background

On the 19 November 2018 Members approved the implementation of the Clean and Green initiative. The on-going activities as part of the project support the Council's vision to 'Protect the environment for the future'.

Information in the appendices provides an update with regards to the activities undertaken as part of the 'Clean and Green' initiative since the last Committee in February 2020.

3. Financial implications

Any financial implications of the Clean and Green initiative have been approved and are contained within budgets.

<b><u>Recommendation</u></b>
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<b>The Committee is asked to NOTE the Clean &amp; Green activities which have taken place.</b>
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Background papers

Nil

**APPENDIX****1. Litter picking of the A610**

During week commencing 23 March 2020 an additional litter pick took place between the IKEA roundabout and the M1 roundabout. Both sides of the road received a full cleanse and sweep and the work was undertaken in partnership with Via East Midlands utilising their traffic management.

Due to traffic restrictions the short section of the A610 between the Nuthall roundabout and M1 Island did not receive a litter pick as part of Clean and Green initiative.

This small section will be litter picked when the grass on the A610 is next cut. Due to restrictions relating to the coronavirus at the time of writing this report a date for the grass on the A610 to be cut has not yet been set.

**2. Weed Killing**

The first Borough wide weed killing application started during the week commencing 27 April 2020 and was completed by the end of May 2019.

The increased number of parked cars on the street, as a result of people being at home due to the Government coronavirus lockdown, did present an issue with regards the spraying application in some areas.

A further application within the Town Centres is scheduled for mid-July with the next borough wide application scheduled for September.

Should it be necessary for a further interim application on hot spots areas around the borough then this will be undertaken. This will be monitored and acted upon based on any complaints or observations.

**3. Waste Days**

The three free bulky collection weeks took place during week commencing 16 December 2019, 27 January 2020 and the 3 February 2020.

The free weeks were promoted through social media, the website and the local press. Local Members also promoted the scheme.

The information in Tables 1 to 5 show the analysis of the results of the free kerbside collections.

**Table 1: Properties serviced and amounts collected**

Waste Type	w/c 16th December 2019		w/c 27th January 2020		w/c 3rd February 2020	
	Number of households booked in for a collection throughout the week	Amount collected all week (tonnes)	Number of households booked in for a collection throughout the week	Amount collected all week (tonnes)	Number of households booked in for a collection throughout the week	Amount collected all week (tonnes)
Residual	141	8.66	194	11.74	176	10.66
Electrical	60	See Table 2	66	See Table 2	64	See Table 2

Note: Some households booked in items for both the residual and electrical

Following the learning from the first free week in that some residents did not have their items out for collection when the crews visited the collection capacity was increased for the second and third weeks.

**Table 2: Electrical items collected**

Item	w/c 16th December 2019	w/c 27th January 2020	w/c 3rd February 2020
	Number of items	Number of items	Number of items
Fridge/Freezer	46	46	42
Cooker (Electrical)	0	6	3
Tumble Dryer	2	0	5
Washing Machine	4	7	6
TV	13	6	10
Other Electrical	12	22	21
<b>Total</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>87</b>

It is evident from the information above that fridge/freezers are the most popular items to be requested for collection. A probable reason for this is the difficulty in transporting these items to the Household Waste and Recycling Centres.

**Table 3: Properties serviced by area throughout the week on residual collection**

	w/c 16th December 2019	w/c 27th January 2020	w/c 3rd February 2020
Area	Number of households serviced residual	Number of households serviced residual	Number of households serviced residual
Attenborough		5	4
Awsworth	2	2	4
Beeston	32	31	21
Bramcote	6	10	11
Brinsley	2	3	1
Chilwell	26	36	21
Cossall	1		1
Eastwood	6	15	17
Giltbrook			2
Greasley	1		
Kimberley	8	5	10
Moorgreen			1
Newthorpe	4	6	10
Nuthall	4	4	8
Stapleford	42	60	39
Toton	7	8	16
Trowell		9	5
Watnall			5
<b>Total</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>176</b>

Stapleford is consistently the highest area where items are requested to be collected from. This is followed by Beeston and then Chilwell.

**Table 4: Properties serviced by area throughout the week on electrical collection**

	w/c 16th December 2019	w/c 27th January 2020	w/c 3rd February 2020
Area	Number of households serviced Electrical	Number of households serviced Electrical	Number of households serviced Electrical
Attenborough	1		4

	w/c 16th December 2019	w/c 27th January 2020	w/c 3rd February 2020
Area	Number of households served Electrical	Number of households served Electrical	Number of households served Electrical
Awsworth	1		2
Beeston	9	8	9
Bramcote	6	4	8
Brinsley			2
Chilwell	10	4	10
Cossall	2		
Eastwood	4	7	9
Greasley			
Kimberley	2	4	3
Newthorpe		7	5
Nuthall	1	1	3
Stapleford	22	21	9
Toton	2	9	2
Trowell	1	1	
Watnall			2
<b>Total</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>64</b>

Once again Stapleford is consistently the highest area where items are requested to be collected from. This is followed by Beeston and then Chilwell.

**Table 5: Number of items booked in by resident**

	w/c 16th December 2019	w/c 27th January 2020	w/c 3rd February 2020
Number of Items booked in by resident	Number of residents	Number of residents	Number of residents
1	82	99	117
2	44	82	54
3	59	46	24

Despite residents being able to request 3 free items the majority only requested one item to be collected. This mirrors the normal bulky waste collection where most residents request the collection of a single item.

In addition to the free kerbside collections a series of free bulky waste days were organised for March 2020. Unfortunately, all but one day were cancelled due to the measures implemented to restrict the spread of the coronavirus.

The results of the Waste Day held on the 14 March 2020 is shown in Table 6 below.

**Table 6: Results of Waste day held on 14 March 2020**

Date	Site	Number of Visits	Number of Fridge /Freezer	Number of other electrical items	Tonnage collected
14th March 2020	Greenwood Centre, Toton	10	2	5	0.8
	Trowell Parish Hall	7	2	3	0.8
	White Lion Public House, Bramcote	19	3	4	1.52
	Beeston Fields Recreation Ground	8	4	5	0.24*
	Devonshire Avenue Car Park, Beeston	49		8	1.52*

\*Estimate

The analysis shows that apart from the Beeston event there was a particularly low turnout. It is likely that this is attributable in the main to the coronavirus as although the lockdown was not in place on the 14 March 2020, there was still advice on social distancing and essential journeys.

The Waste Days which were postponed due to the coronavirus restrictions are shown in Table 7

**Table 7: Waste days which were postponed**

21 <sup>st</sup> March 2020	28 <sup>th</sup> March 2020
Brinsley Parish Hall	Lowes Estate Beeston (Hutton Close - Potters Court)
Awsorth Parish Hall	Stapleford Victoria Street Car Park, Stapleford
Mansfield Recreation Car Park, Eastwood	Station Road Car Park, Kimberley

21 <sup>st</sup> March 2020	28 <sup>th</sup> March 2020
Oldmoor Lodge Nuthall Car Park, Eastwood	Queens Head Pub Car Park, Watnall
Greasley Sports Centre Car Park, Greasley	

The provision of Waste Day events has been temporarily postponed in accordance with Government advice on social distancing and essential journeys.

The Council has been following guidance from the Government and the Waste Industry Safety and Health (WISH) Forum with regards the safe delivery of its waste services.

It is currently unclear exactly what measures will need to be in place for the safe delivery of any future waste day event. Once the long term implications are known a report will be brought back to Members for consideration of the long term plan with regards to the delivery of Waste Days and/or the free kerbside collections.

#### **4. Community Clean Teams Initiative**

Since the last report only one Community Clean Team litter picking event has taken place at Attenborough Nature Reserve. This happened at the beginning of March 2020 and involved members of the Street Cleansing team together with representatives from Attenborough Nature Reserve.

A further 9 events were scheduled for March 2020 but unfortunately these had to be cancelled due to the social distancing and the lockdown measures. No further events are planned and it is not currently known when such community events can recommence.

#### **5. Delivery of Clean & Green within budget**

The information in Table 8 below sets out the costs of delivering the Clean and Green for 2019/20.

**Table 8: Clean and Green Budget 2019/20**

Budget Heading	Budget (£)	Actual Spent (£)	Narrative
Combined budget for Community Clean Teams and Litter Picking the A610 (02 207 3980)	9450	7055	The original budget allocation is split between £4000 for Community Clean Teams Events and £5450 on the litter picking. The underspend is attributable to the reduced spend on litter picking the A610 which was achieved under budget.
Waste Days (02 140 3980)	28540	9366	The original budget was £15,500 but there was a carried forward of £13,040 which brought the total to £28,540. Due to the reduced delivery of Waste Days only £9366 was spent. A previous Clean & Green report made reference to the fact that the carry forward would be used to offset any reduction in the income from the bulky waste service as a result of the introduction of the trial free kerbside collection. The bulky waste income budget for 2019/20 was set at £60,000. The actual income received was £60,537. No impact on income was therefore realised. However, this may be due to the free service occurring nearer to the end of the financial year, should the free service continue a negative impact on income may occur in future years.