

Council Plan – Commitments for close of plan in March 2023

Changes based on Covid-19 impact assessment and latest information

Making Chesterfield a thriving borough

Current commitment wording	Suggested changes
Enable the completion of 1000 new homes	No change
Deliver the Northern Gateway project to provide: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 510 jobs - 20,000 sq feet space for businesses to grow at a new enterprise centre - 530 car parking spaces at the new multi-storey car park - Environmental improvements 	No change
As a partner in Chesterfield Waterside Ltd enable: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 314 new apartments - 30,000 sq.m of space for business and commercial use - 300 jobs 	As a partner in Chesterfield Waterside Ltd enable: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Refresh of masterplan - 314 new apartments - 30,000 sq.m of space for business and commercial use - 300 jobs Note – Masterplan refresh added in.
Bring in a minimum of £2 million in external funding to enable housing, business and commercial space which will maximise the benefits of HS2	No change
Increase the number of overnight stays in the borough and increase the contribution of tourism to the borough’s economy year on year	Note – We are currently developing the Visitor Economy Strategy which will include a suite of new measures – these will be added in following approval.
Support Peak World Wide in delivering the first phase of the Peak Resort development providing 400 jobs and maximising the benefit for the wider economy	Support Peak Resort in delivering the first phase of the development providing 400 jobs and

	<p>maximising the benefit for the wider economy.</p> <p>Note – Slight change in wording to reflect name change.</p>
<p>Encourage a co-ordinated approach to the regeneration of the Staveley works Corridor (including the Staveley HS2 infrastructure maintenance depot) by working closely with the landowners and partners</p>	No change
<p>Increase the number of residents living and working in our town centres by enabling residential conversions and developing town centre sites which will reduce commuter carbon emissions</p>	No change
<p>Increase footfall with a range of events and specialist markets each year</p>	<p>Support economic recovery within our town centres with a range of events, specialist markets and public realm improvements.</p> <p>Note – changes to align with approved Economic Recovery Plan.</p>
<p>Develop an annual spend local awareness campaign to support our independent traders to encourage residents to shop locally and reduce shopping related carbon emissions</p>	No change
<p>Maintain safety within Chesterfield town centre by continuing to enforce the Public Spaces Protection Order</p>	No change
<p>Encourage inward investment and business expansion by providing accommodation advice and support to over 150 businesses</p>	No change
<p>Increase the number of business start-ups, improve local competitiveness and encourage inward investment by providing business support and key account management</p>	No change

<p>Enable 350 apprenticeships via the apprentice town initiative</p>	<p>No change</p>
<p>Reach 5000 children via the HS2 and you initiative which encourages children to start preparing for future job opportunities</p>	<p>Provide arrange of opportunities for children and young people to engage with industry to prepare for future job opportunities. Note – We are broadening our engagement programme to include a range of skills and awareness raising programmes including a focus on STEM.</p>
<p>Reduce youth unemployment in the borough</p>	<p>Develop improved skills, education and apprenticeships programmes to engage more businesses, employees and young people entering work. Note – Young people not in education, training or employment continues to be a key measure for the Council Plan – via the delivery plan. The baseline will need to be reset from 2020/21 due to the unprecedented impact of Covid-19. The measure will continue to be a key piece of data to inform decisions and priorities.</p>
<p>Enable local businesses and employees to access a wide range of skills and education opportunities</p>	<p>Enable local businesses and employees to access a wide range of skills and education opportunities and work with the Chamber of Commerce to support businesses dealing with impacts of Covid-19.</p>

	Note – Additional element around Covid-19 support.
Deliver 100% local labour clauses on eligible developments and maximise local supply chain opportunities reducing commuter and supply chain carbon emissions	No change

Priority – Improving quality of life for local people

Current commitment wording	Suggested changes
Build or acquire a minimum of 100 new Council homes built or refitted to a high environmental standard	No change
Ensure 100% of our Council homes meet the decent homes standard	No change
Invest in over 1350 major improvements in our council homes including new kitchens, bathrooms, heating systems, windows and rewiring contributing towards reduced energy usage and costs	No change
Improve the quality of private sector housing	No change
Improve access to and the quality of public spaces and parking through the completion estate improvements at Barrow Hill and Grangewood	No change
Have developed a costed climate change action plan for Chesterfield Borough Council and Chesterfield Borough and delivered up to year three of the plan	
Maintain high standards by investing in key parks, open spaces and play facilities including increasing biodiversity and carbon capture	No change
Maintain resident satisfaction with parks and open spaces and keeping public land clear of litter and refuse	Maintain focus on the quality of our parks and open spaces with the development and

Maintain physical activity rates as recorded by Sport England Active Lives survey	<p>delivery of our Parks and Open Spaces Strategy and Play Strategy.</p> <p>Note – We are currently developing the Parks and Open Spaces Strategy and Play Strategy which will include a suite of new measures – these will be added in following approval.</p> <p>Note – Active Lives survey continues to be a key measure for the Council Plan – via the delivery plan. The baseline will need to be reset from 2020/21 due to the unprecedented impact of Covid-19. The measures will continue to be a key piece of data to inform decisions and priorities.</p>
Increase physical activity opportunities by providing good community access to the artificial turf pitch at Queen’s Park	
Increase the usage and engagement in our parks and open spaces through the provision of a range of events and activities	
Support community engagement and development activities through the allocation of 15% of the community infrastructure levy	No change
Put health and wellbeing at the heart of our decision making	No change
Maintain independent living through the continued support of vulnerable people	No change
Continue to provide advice and support to ensure our residents are accessing the benefits they are entitled to	No change
Continue to work with partner agencies to reduce the impact of child poverty across the borough by supporting and developing local schemes	Develop key partnership activity to support individuals and families that are feeling the effects of material insecurities, such as food, housing, financial hardship.

	Note – broadened out in-line with the Community Recovery approach and action plan. Child poverty figures and health profile data (including childhood obesity, mental health and addiction) will be tracked via the delivery plan and will inform decisions and priorities.
Continue to work with partners to tackle homelessness	No change
Reduce social isolation by growing our accessible health and wellbeing programmes at our venues to reach over 1000 people a year	Developed and supported a range of partnership initiatives to reduce social isolation and improve social connectedness. Note – broadened out in-line with the Community Recovery approach and action plan. Health and Wellbeing programme will be re-launched at our venues during 2021/22 but this will need to be flexible to respond to latest Covid-19 guidance. Additional schemes with the community and voluntary sector are being developed.
Enable people to access our leisure and cultural services by maintaining our commitment to a fair and transparent concessions policy	No change
Encourage our young people to become active citizens by engaging over 500 young people in our local democracy programme	No change
Improve community cohesion, raise awareness of equality issues and celebrate our diverse communities through the delivery of a minimum of four events each year with the Chesterfield Equality and Diversity Forum	No change

Priority – Providing value for money services

Current commitment wording	Suggested changes
Deliver high quality, value for money services and maintain customer satisfaction ratings	No change
Ensure that social value including maximising the social, economic and environmental benefits forms a key part of our procurement and commissioning arrangements	No change
Maximise local revenues streams including commercial income targets, council tax and business rates collection to fund services	<p>Maximise value for money and social value from property portfolio, facilities, services, grants and tax collection.</p> <p>Note – increased emphasis on value for money and social value to align with Covid-19 response and recovery.</p>
Reduce the subsidy (net operational costs) further for our theatres and leisure centres	<p>Revitalise our leisure and cultural provision to build confidence, provide value for money and increase health and wellbeing.</p> <p>Note – change to enable alignment with Covid-19 response and recovery.</p>
Successfully manage the public private partnership services transition for 2020 and maintain service standards	<p>Successfully manage the public private partnership services transition and maintain service standards.</p> <p>Note – minor change as full transition completed in 2021.</p>
Work with partners to enable more efficient use of the Council’s properties and land	No change
Design services so they are available online with an improved customer service offer and support for people who cannot access online services	No change

Using technology, intelligence and customer feedback to have better conversations and engagement with our customers	No change
Achieve £900,000 of savings and reduce our environmental impact through improved use of technology	No change
Maintain our Investor in people status	No change
Invest in a highly skilled workforce to increase productivity	No change
Help to develop the careers of over 90 apprentices across the Council by ensuring that we provide opportunities for people to develop qualifications, vocational skills and increase employability	No change