

Levelling Up – Update for Full Council 25/07/24

Latest news from Levelling Up Project

Hub

- Work on detailed design almost complete, detailed costing in progress. Tender for builder will now be in August due to delays with the design stage.
- There's a budget review meeting with Broxtowe on 23rd July to discuss the revised budget.
- Plan is for the Parish Hall office to move to the cricket club site w/c 29th July. Use of the Parish Hall will end from the end of the month.

Illuminations

- Positive meeting with Broxtowe regarding procurement, so we can get on with this now.
- Tested lighting for garden areas, firming up quotes before making purchase. Sainsbury's are again proving hard work to get agreement to upgrade the lighting (and planting) near the war memorial
- We have a shortlist of event lighting, and are getting multiple quotes before purchase.
- We'll be visiting suppliers of various equipment over the next 2-3 weeks, then making purchases.
- Main challenge right now is a long delay for delivery of test screens to be used for events. Looking at alternative suppliers to get round this.

Pavilion

- Plans largely done, surveys completed, waiting for ecology report.
- Waiting for detailed costs from multiple vendors for fitting out the building
- Still aiming to complete the project around the end of 2024.

Townscape

- Lots going on at the moment
- Hanging signs project now complete
- War Memorial has been repainted, benches have been repainted, and the whole area jetwashed. We'll improve the planting once we get agreement from Sainsburys.
- Toll Bar Square – new benches and planters almost ready. Floor has been jetwashed. Ironworks are currently being repainted. Cycle stands are installed and shelter should be installed in the next week. New mosaics to be installed imminently.
- W garden – Rear wall as been cleaned and the Living Wall is now installed. New bench and sculpture will be installed shortly, and the area will be replanted once the plants arrive.

Cycling and Walking

- Still waiting for Sustrans detailed plans and costs from Sustrans.
- Bennerley ramp will be ready and opened on 3rd August. Visitor center expected to be completed around the end of 2024.

Industrial Units

- No definite news yet but negotiations on plans for industrial units are progressing well, hopefully there will be an announcement soon.

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