APPENDIX A - Forward Communications Plan May - November 2010

Please note: press releases will be published on the website.

EXTERNAL PUBLICITY Council Projects

Department/ Section	Subject	Timing	Publicity (to include relevant professional/technical publication)	Aims
Strategy and Performance (Strategic Housing)	Public Realm Works update	Ongoing	Media releaseWebsiteContacts	To promote the work carried out across the borough and encourage communities to suggest ideas for work in their area.
Strategy and Performance (Strategic Housing)	Affordable housing – implementation of Choice based letting scheme.	June onwards	Press releaseContacts	To raise the profile of the scheme before it is launched later next year.
Strategy and Performance (Planning Policy)	Preferred option consultation.	TBC	Media releaseWebsite	To raise awareness and encourage people to take part in the consultation.
Strategy and Performance (Planning Policy)	Appraisal of Linby Conservation Area	July – 6 week consultation	Contacts	To raise awareness and encourage people to take part in the consultation.
Strategy and Performance (Planning Policy)	Papplewick Conservation Area Appraisal -	Consultation in late Summer/ Autumn.	• Contacts	To raise awareness and encourage people to take part in the consultation.

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Strategy and Performance	Faith in Gedling and Gender events	Post promotion	• Contacts	To raise awareness of the council's equalities agenda.
Housing Strategy	Domestic Violence campaign	Summer	ContactsMedia releases	To promote services available to people.
Direct Services	Vehicle consortium saves Notts £1.75M	May onwards	Contacts	To inform people of our efficiencies.
Direct Services	Summer weekly bin service returns	28 June – 17 Sept	ContactsPress releaseWebsiteleaflets	To inform people of the bin arrangements.
Planning and Environment	Anti social behaviour successes	Ongoing	Media releasesContacts	To raise the profile of positive ASB work and promote the work of the Council and partners.
Planning and Environment	Dog fouling awareness campaign in Netherfield.	Spring – with follow- up later	• Contacts	To update on the campaign and raise awareness and reduce the problems of dog fouling in and around parts of the borough.
Planning and Environment	Arnold Shop Watch scheme	date tbc	• Contacts	To raise awareness and promote the success of the shop watch scheme – and help reduce the fear of crime.
Planning and Environment (Licensing)	Consultation on new licensing policy statement	5 July – 24 September	• Contacts	To promote the consultation and encourage people to have their say

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Planning and Environment with Direct Services	Big Spring Clean campaign - across the borough	date tbc	• Contacts	Encourage people to report littering and raise awareness of problems caused/cost of littering.
Planning and Environment (Licensing)	Scores on the Doors consultation	date tbc	• Contacts	To encourage people to take part in the consultation. Increase public awareness of the scheme and encourage more businesses to be involved and help improve hygiene standards.
Planning and Environment (Licensing)	Consulting on new licensing act policy	Summer – date TBC	• Contacts	To encourage people to take part in the consultation. Increase public awareness.
Democratic and Community Services (Scrutiny)	Scrutiny updates	Ongoing	Contacts	Inform people about the work of the scrutiny committees.
Democratic & Community Services (Neighbourhoods)	Promoting neighbourhood working Possible updates in Phoenix and Newstead	Ongoing	Media releaseWebsiteContacts	Promote the neighbourhood working programme and raise awareness of the team and member involvement.
Corporate Services	Overall financial performance and how we're making progress	July	ContactsPress release	To inform members of the public and residents about how we are managing our budgets.
Corporate Services (Revenues and Benefits)	Fraud prosecutions	Ongoing	ContactsMedia Releases	Increase residents' awareness of successful prosecutions.

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Corporate Services (Revenues and Benefits)	New interactive online claim form for housing benefits	July	• Contacts	Raise awareness of the new scheme.
Customer Services	Updates on newly updated online services and Contact Centre	July	• Contacts	To inform customers about our new online services.
Leisure Services	Young Persons Positive Moves (YPPM).	18 weeks – 12 weeks April – July & 6 weeks Sept - Oct	ContactsMedia releaseWebsitePostersIntranet	To encourage young people to plant and grow their own healthier food and then cook it. Promoting health and fitness in the borough, especially among young people.
Leisure (culture and arts)	Funding for the Youth Dance England Pathfinder project over the next 2 years.	July onwards	Contacts	Promote the work of the dance project in the borough
Leisure (culture and arts)	Promoting a network for creative business in the borough.	July	• Contacts	Encourage more businesses to take part.
Leisure	New and improved swimming lessons and payment options at Carlton Forum	August	Contacts Website	Keep people up to date and encourage more young swimmers – linked to the changing lifestyles programme.
Leisure	Shape up for Summer DNA promotion scheme	1 june – 31 July	ContactsPress release	Increase awareness and increase gym membership

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Leisure Services	Summer holiday programme	26 July - 3 Sept	• Contacts	To raise awareness and increase attendance at events and promote partnership work.
Leisure	Promote work of park rangers	July	• Contacts	To increase understanding of the role and work of the park rangers and promote their successes and partnership work
Leisure	Gedling Show	5 Sept	ContactsWebsitePress release	To promote event and ensure attendance
Leisure	Arnold Carnival	19-20 June	Press releasesWebsite	To promote event and ensure attendance
Leisure	Colwick Play Day Carlton Play Day Papplewick Play Day Gedling Play Day	22 May 2 June 28 July 11 August	ContactsPress releasesWebsite	To promote event and ensure attendance
Leisure	Get Going in Gedling – new leader courses and Sure Start buggy walks	Ongoing	ContactsWebsiteMedia release	To raise awareness and increase participation, and promote health and fitness.
Leisure	Goals project at Carlton Forum Leisure Centre	Ongoing	ContactsMedia releaseWebsite	To promote the success of the project and increase participation.
Leisure	Gedling Athlete Development Academy	tbc	Media releaseContacts	Raise the profile of the new scheme.

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Leisure (Resources)	Grant Finder scheme	tbc	ContactsMedia releaseWebsite	Promote the availability of the scheme to local sports clubs and promote successes from the scheme.
Leisure	Coach scholarship	tbc	ContactsMedia releaseWebsite	Raise the profile of the scheme and encourage participation in the courses.
Civic Office	New Mayor and outgoing Mayor	May 12 onwards	ContactsPress releaseReception boardswebsite	To introduce the new Mayor and Deputy and to showcase the outgoing Mayor and charity they have supported over their year in office.
Civic event	Armed Forces – Raise a Flag Day	21 June and 26 June	Contacts (post PR)Press releasesWebsiteIntranet	To celebrate the event and raise awareness of the event and invite members of the public along.

Partnership Projects/ Publicity Assistance for Partners

Agency	Subject	Timing	Publicity	Aim
Friends of Arnot Hill Park and Park Rangers	Recruitment drive and promotion of work in park and funding.	May -July	GENContactsPress release	To increase the number of members on the Committee and to promote the positive partnership work on the park.
Leisure and Gedling Partnership	Pride in Honeywood Summer 2010 Cultural celebration in collaboration with Gedling Partnership	July	• Contacts	To promote events and encourage a sense of local pride in the community.

INTERNAL PUBLICITY

Key Projects	Timing	Publicity	Aims
Senior Management	ongoing	Column in GEN for	Inform employees of council change agenda and other
Priorities		Peter Murdock	important council information.
Find out Fridays	ongoing	• GEN	Promote the events to staff to encourage them to attend
		Intranet	and find out about different areas of work across the council.
Health Fair	June	 GEN and eGEN alert 	To encourage staff to attend the health fair and
		Intranet	encourage a healthier workforce.
		 Posters 	
Fast4Ward – organisational	May	• GEN	Update Sections Heads and managers on the council's
development strategy	onwards	Intranet	work post GTYP
		 Staff briefings 	
What's On events	Monthly	• GEN	Raise awareness of council and partner events.
		intranet	
Management Team Briefing	June	• GEN	Encourage attendance and report and the outcomes of
sessions		Intranet	the event.
		Posters	