

East Gosforth Priority Plan

NS Ref.	What is the problem?	Where is it?	What are we doing about it?
141	Lack of public conveniences	Gosforth High Street	Final approval for the location of the public toilet has now been received. The Public Convenience Manager will now liaise with Councillors and Civil Engineers to finalise the scheme and make the necessary arrangements for installation in Easter 2008.
842	Improve local area	Dene Terrace	Following a meeting with local residents on the 4th of September 2007, several initiatives were suggested to improve the local area including: 1. Legal Orders have recently been advertised regarding the implementation of parking restrictions (double yellow lines) at the junction of Craghall Dene Road and Dene Terrace. 2. Identifying possible funding sources to improve the currently unadopted road at the rear of Craghall Dene Terrace. 3. Councillors have agreed to treat the Japanese knot-weed which will be carried out in May / June 2008 by the City Grounds Team.
144	High volume of traffic, particularly at beginning and end of school times	Christon Road (Particularly around Gosforth Central Middle School)	A consultation was held in March 2008 to which we are expecting the results at the end of April 2008. The proposal included 20mph zones and double yellow lines.
585	Parking problems for parents dropping children off at school		
710	Lorries reported to be travelling at high speed		
711	No designated school crossing		
712	Tree roots displacing footpaths	Garden Village and Ridgewood Crescent, Hollywood Crescent, Rosewood Avenue.	Trees in the area have been pruned and those which are damaging footpaths have been identified and will be removed. We are also liaising with residents and Your Homes Newcastle to identify areas where we may extend the current footpath to make way for replacement trees / juvenile specimens.
163	Lack of greenery and container planting in the area	South Gosforth Green	The Neighbourhood Response Manager is working with the South Gosforth Tenants Residents Association and together have come up with a proposal to introduce seven container planters to the area and also plant three trees in Ridgewood Gardens and four trees on Hunters Road. We have also identified locations to plant spring bulbs. Engineering and Design Services will also carry out a consultation in Ridgewood Gardens to identify whether or not residents would like to see the trees removed.

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145	Traffic management issues	Garden Village	Medium Term - We will make recommendations to improve current traffic calming measures and also consider how we can implement additional traffic calming schemes throughout Garden Village.
			Medium Term - 20mph trials are ongoing and will be monitored and evaluated. If successful trial will be rolled out across the city.
			Medium Term - Identify cost involved and feasibility of installing electronic speed indicator signage.
			Long Term - We will consider the possibility of removing through traffic from Hollywood Avenue during the Gosforth Transport Study which is currently taking place. During the course of the study, we will also include the possibility of closure and prohibited movement options at east end.
149		The Grove traffic scheme	Consultation with local residents and Councillors is now complete and a program of works is currently being drawn up with a view to work beginning on the
150	Disabled parking bays and dropped kerbs required	Balmoral Terrace	Consultation to take place regarding disabled parking and dropped kerbs.
151	Residents are experiencing problems with traffic speeding in the area. There is also a requirement for disabled parking facilities at Ilford Road Metro Station.	Ilford Road	Consultation has taken place and we will consider the possibility of installing disabled parking bays outside of the Metro station. In conjunction with this, we will also re-shape the pavement and mark parking bays outside Ilford Road Metro Station which will help to alleviate the difficulties currently experienced by local residents.
563	Cars parking on pavement outside Domino's Pizza shop.	Station Road	The Environmental Ward Stewardship Scheme will fund the installation of bollards which will prevent vehicles mounting and parking on the pavement.
843	Parking problems	Alwinton Terrace	We are working with local residents and Engineering and Design Services to look at the possibility of extending the yellow lines at the Alwinton Terrace junction for access and sight lines.
844	Residents feel that there is a lack of greenery in the area	South Gosforth Middle School / Christon Road	We are in the process of obtaining costings for the installation of a beech hedge to green the area.

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159	<p>Anti Social Behaviour - Underage youths drinking alcohol in public and causing a nuisance</p>	<p>Haddricks Mill Court - Behind Metro station. In the play area behind Haddricks Mill Court and also on the green space on Christon Road.</p>	<p>The Neighbourhood Response Manager, Neighbourhood Response Team and Community Beat Manager are aware of this issue and will continue to monitor and feed all relevant information to the Police through various joint meetings in a bid to combat this issue. Public Health and Environmental Protection will also carry out test purchases in a bid to catch those establishments selling alcohol to minors. The Play and Youth section have also carried out a consultation with local youths which has resulted in a joint group session with the East and West Gosforth Councillors engaging with young people. We are also looking to recruit volunteers to join a residents focus group. Remedial work has been carried out on the green space at Quarry Park which included the cutting back of trees and shrubs to open up sight lines and we will be replacing the park surface with bark.</p>
845	Traffic management	Rydal Road	<p>Consultation has taken place with local residents and the 'Planning for real' exercise has identified possible schemes which will be costed up for consideration. We are also looking for volunteers to join a residents focus group.</p>
695	Play and Youth Issues	Gosforth Central Park	<p>The Neighbourhood Response Manager will liaise with local Councillors and work closely with the Play & Youth Section to identify and address Play and Youth issues across the ward in a rolling programme of works. A consultation has recently been carried out, the results of which will be fed back through Ward Committee Meeting.</p>
694	A Green Space Plan for East Gosforth is required	Great North Road	<p>The Neighbourhood Response Manager will work with residents and local Councillors to review and propose ideas for green spaces across the ward in an ongoing programme of works. There are currently two consultations underway in Great North Road and proposals have been put forward to Councillors for consideration.</p>
670	Lack of Community Engagement	Ward Wide	<p>The Ward Coordinator is looking to develop a strategy to engage with older people living in the ward. A second Elders Forum has been arranged for Spring 2008. (Date to be confirmed)</p>
670		Ward Wide	<p>The Neighbourhood Response Manager is in the process of setting up an Environmental Forum to engage local people and find out their views and ideas on the Ward.</p>