### Nuneaton Bedworth United to Achieve

Nuneaton and Bedworth Building Communities 2025-2029

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# **Draft Corporate Plan Consultation**





Introduction from the Leader of Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council, Cllr Chris Watkins

### Welcome

As we embark on this new chapter for our Borough, I'm delighted to present the Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council Corporate Plan.

The plan spans the period from 2025 - 2029 and outlines our shared vision for the borough. A vision that reflects the aspirations that we have for the residents and businesses within the borough.

Our plan is rooted in a commitment to serve the residents, visitors and business that make up our communities.

We will work tirelessly to attract investment into the borough, to improve the health outcomes for our residents, enhance our green spaces and deliver our services efficiently.

This is a plan that serves the whole borough, recognising the sense of community **and** diversity across our geography, and how together, we are united to achieve. Specifically, we will focus on

#### **Place and Prosperity**

Enabling local jobs, supporting businesses and regenerating our town centres.

#### Housing, Health and Communities

Promoting healthy lifestyles, supporting vulnerable residents, building new Council homes and strengthening community cohesion.

#### **Green Spaces and Environment**

Protecting our natural environment, improving air quality and creating sustainable communities.

#### **Your Council**

Delivering services effectively and efficiently while ensuring value for money for our taxpayers.

I am confident that by working together we can create a Nuneaton and Bedworth borough that is prosperous, resilient and a healthy place to live, visit, relax and work.



Preparing for the future, respecting our heritage

## **Place and Prosperity**

Nuneaton and Bedworth, located in the heart of Warwickshire, is poised for growth. Its excellent transport connectivity, including easy access to major road networks and rail services, makes it great place to live and an attractive destination for businesses, investors. The borough has a great history, including the home of George Eliot and growing cultural offer, leading to a strengthening visitor economy.

The Council will build on this rich heritage and opportunity, to deliver a thriving economy, with a diverse range of sectors contributing to the prosperity of the borough.

- Regenerate Nuneaton Town Centre; Completing the Transforming Nuneaton Programme.
- Establish an increased number of residential properties within the Town Centres.
- Help local businesses thrive, support new business incubation and reduce the number of vacant units.
- Work with the business community to strengthen business in the whole borough.
- Deliver a regeneration plan for Bedworth town centre.
- Continue to promote and enable events across the borough.
- Continue to develop and help our markets to thrive.
- Promote and support our town centre economies.





### Housing, Health and Communities

Nuneaton and Bedworth is committed to improving housing standards, promoting sustainable development, and ensuring that the communities of the borough, are healthy, safe and thriving.

- Deliver the construction and opening of the Bedworth Physical Activity Hub (BPAH ) 2026.
- Work with partners to improve Air Quality across the Borough.
- Focus on awareness and promotion of support services for mental health and wellbeing.
- Facilitate warm, safe, sustainable and affordable housing.
- Work with Public Health colleagues and Partners to address community inequalities.
- Promote active travel across the Borough.
- Extend the Housing home building programme to provide more Council homes.
- Work with partners to prioritise community safety & empowerment.





### **Green Spaces and Environment**

Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council is dedicated to preserving and enhancing its green spaces and natural environment, reducing the environmental impact of business activity.

The council is actively working with partners to protect and enhance green spaces and biodiversity, improve air quality, and promote sustainable practices, to create a **greener and cleaner** future for the borough's forthcoming generations. • Review and refresh the Grounds Maintenance contract for the Borough.

• Celebrate our heritage within our green spaces, including museums, George Eliot and local industry.

• Decarbonise our Housing Stock and promote the decarbonisation of homes in the private sector.

• Support our residents to recycling more, including the roll out of food waste disposal.

• Promote and develop play area facilities in line with the Parks and Green Space Strategy.

• Reduce the carbon footprint of the Pingles Leisure Centre by 2026.

• Establish a climate change strategy and delivery plan by 2026.

• Explore opportunities to promote, protect and enhance biodiversity in the borough.





### **Your Council**

Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council is committed to delivering **efficient and effective** services to residents, while ensuring value for money for taxpayers.

The council will review its processes and operations to identify areas for improvement and reduce costs.

Through initiatives such as digital transformation, and collaborative partnerships, the council aims to streamline its services, enhance customer satisfaction, and maximise the use of resources.

- Conduct a Local Government Association Peer Review by 2026.
- Increase the level of Resident Engagement And Consultation.
- Deliver a modern organisation with agile and effective structure that meet the needs of residents.
- Set ambitious and challenging budgets, to ensure taxpayers money is respected, and high-quality services are delivered.
- Deliver continued forward financial planning to safeguard the finances of the Council.
- Deliver a refreshed Council change plan to modernise services.
- Strive for transparency and accountability, in all that we do. Increase public scrutiny.
- Focus on Civic Pride, celebrating rich heritage and diverse communities.



