



AGENDA ITEM NO. 7

ASHLEY, EASTON AND LAWRENCE HILL NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP 7 MARCH 2016

Title: Environment Sub-Group Recommendations

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RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Partnership considers the Environment, Parks, Open Spaces Project recommendations contained within this report.
2. That the Neighbourhood Committee agrees to commit £46,875.00 of s106 funding to support the delivery of environment, parks and open spaces projects contained in this report.
3. That the Neighbourhood Partnership notes the proposed tree planting scheme for AELH.

Background

1. The AELH NP Environment Sub-Group was tasked with prioritising parks and open space projects in the area with the aim of recommending projects to be delivered from funds devolved to the Neighbourhood Partnership.

Context

2. As at 7 March 2016 the AELH NP Neighbourhood Committee is responsible for a devolved parks Section 106 funding budget of £640,839.66. £130,449.38 of this funding is uncommitted and available to support project delivery in Parks and Green Spaces.
3. The devolution of Section 106 and Community Infrastructure Levy funds means the AELH Neighbourhood Committee comprised of the six councillors for the wards of Ashley, Easton and Lawrence Hill has the delegated legal responsibility for making decisions on these funds on behalf of Bristol City Council.
4. The agreed AELH Neighbourhood Partnership Plan contains the following priorities:

- 4.1. Funding: Ensure that all AELH funding including s106, CIL, Wellbeing Grants, and other funds at the disposal of the partnership are spent in line with and against agreed plan priorities, with an understanding that priorities can change.
- 4.2. Parks and Green Spaces: deliver the Area Green Space Investment Plan.
- 4.3. Parks and Green Spaces: create and deliver a tree planting plan for AELH.
- 4.4. Parks and Green Spaces: maintain all parks to the highest standards including Brunswick Cemetery and St Agnes Park.
- 4.5. Parks and Green Spaces: work with Knightstone to improve parks and green spaces in St Pauls and Montpelier.

Proposal

5. Using the AELH Area Green Space Plan, the Environment priorities in the Neighbourhood Plan and ideas from resident and community groups as a guide, the sub-group put together a list of 3 parks and open spaces projects to consider for funding, with an objective of prioritising those projects which could be funded using appropriate uncommitted Section 106 funding.

The sub-group met on 9 November and 11 January 2016 to discuss, scrutinise and finalise parks and open space project recommendations to the Neighbourhood Partnership and Neighbourhood Committee for funding. As a result of this work the sub-group is making costed recommendations to the Neighbourhood Partnership which are detailed in Appendix 1.

The sub-group have worked with Client and Operations Officer Sarah Tyler from Parks, and Children's Play and Youth Officer John Knowlson from Public Health to obtain costings and help identify the priority work packages against each project.

The AELH Environment Sub-Group will oversee the detailed aspects of delivering projects once funding has been agreed.

These proposals were brought to the AELH NP meeting on 30 November and were in principle agreed and minuted as follows:

- Removal and upgrade of current MUGA in Gaunts Ham Park (provisional cost of £30,000 was approved);
- Additional award of £8000 to Friends of Bellevue Park for play equipment (making £16,000 in total);
- 11 new benches for Mina Road Park (an initial amount of £12,000 was suggested but this was considered excessive). The updated figure of £9,000 was given.)

Gus Hoyt asked that the Neighbourhood Committee support the recommended priority park investments from the Environment Sub-Group which would be

funded through s106 funds. More information would be tabled at the next NP meeting;

Resolved: that the Neighbourhood Committee agree the recommended environment priorities:

- Remove and upgrade the current MUGA in Gaunts Ham Park (provisional cost of £30,000 was approved);
- Additional award of £8000 to Friends of Bellevue Park for play equipment (making £16,000 in total);
- Fund 11 new benches for Mina Road Park (£9,000).

The Environment Sub-Group has also produced a tree planting scheme which is appended for your information. This shows you what is currently being considered with final recommendations coming to the next Neighbourhood Partnership meeting in June 2016.

Public Sector Equality Duties

6. An Equalities Impact Relevance Check has been undertaken and determined that due to the fact that this decision has no impact on those with protected characteristics in the following ways a full equalities impact assessment is not required:

- Access to or participation in a service;
- Levels of representation in BCC workforce; or
- Reducing quality of life (i.e. health, education, standard of living)

Further Equalities Impact Relevance Checks will be undertaken during the development of each scheme so that the specific impact of that scheme can be considered as the detail evolves.

Legal and Financial Implications

7. The devolution of Section 106 and Community Infrastructure Levy funds means the AELH Neighbourhood Committee has the delegated legal responsibility for making decisions on these funds on behalf of Bristol City Council.
8. The Planning Obligation Officer.

Appendices:

- Appendix 1 –Sub-group Priorities - Section 106 Funding Recommendations table.
- Appendix 2 –Sub-group Proposed Tree Planting Programme.

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Proposed schemes and the relevant s106 funds.

1. Removal and replacement of Multi-Use games area in Gaunts Ham Park – Approved allocation £30,000.00. Source of funds:
 - 09/03004/Winstanley House, Holmes Street Barton Hill / ZCD...998 - £380.48
 - 06/00460 / Old Bread Street, City Centre / ZCD...569 - £15,078.13
 - 10/05355 / Castle House, Lincoln Street, Barton Hill / SB51 - £5,127.03
 - 09/01321 / Waggon and Horses PH, 83 Stapleton Rd, Easton / ZCD...A21 - £9,414.36

2. An additional approved allocation of £8000.00 towards Bellevue Park play equipment. Source of funds:
 - 09/02498 / Pit Pony PH, Easton Road, Easton / ZCD...A18 - ~~£2,478.63~~ £1,509.25 – this allocation will completely empty this S106 source when added to the other items awaiting drawdown
 - 14/00193 / Land to rear of 1 to 21 Turley Road, Easton / ...SB75 - £6,490.75

3. Installation of new benches in Mina Road Park – Approved allocation £8875.00. Source of funds:
 - 08/00733 / 4 Station Road, Montpellier / ZCD...946 - £8405.15 - this allocation will completely empty this S106 source when added to the other items awaiting drawdown
 - 08/04238 / Unit 3 Ashfield Place, St. Pauls / ...SB73 - £469.85

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Ashley, Easton, and Lawrence Hill Neighbourhood Partnership

Environment Sub-Group Desired Tree Planting Programme

FOR INFORMATION ONLY

This is an aspirational planting list designed by the Environment Sub-Group. It has been designed with a view to begin planting in the 2016/2017 season and this will continue as funding becomes available. Further work with colleagues in Parks and Highways is still required and we plan to submit an agreed costed plan for a decision at the June Neighbourhood Partnership meeting.

Ashley

- St Paul's - Brunswick Cemetery Gardens - 3 replacement trees £885.00;
- St Paul's - Brunswick Square – 2 new trees to replace existing stumps £590.00;
- St Paul's - Brigstocke Road – New tree in existing tree pit - £295.00;
- St Paul's - Dalrymple Road – New tree in existing tree pit - £295.00;
- Montpellier - Picton Street – New tree in existing tree pit - £295.00;
- Montpellier - Ashley Hill – New Tree in Existing Tree Pit - £295.00;
- St Werburgh's - Ashley Parade/Minto Road corner - £765.00;
- St Werburgh's - York Street (southside, in front of grey breeze block wall) £765.00;
- St Werburgh's - York Street (southside, opposite Kestrel, in front of red brick '90's houses – £765.00;
- St Werburgh's - York Street (northside, A&M verge, with permission) - £765.00;
- St Werburgh's - Mercia Drive (tarmaced square at north-east end between paving slabs, this is in hard standing) - £2,265.00;
- St Werburgh's - Penfield Road (corner of green behind Miners Arms) - £765.00;
- St Werburgh's - Mercia Drive/Mina Road corner (Birch to match the ones on opposite side of Mercia Drive, with white stems) - £765.00;
- St Werburgh's - Magdalene Place (hump) - £765.00;
- St Werburgh's - Summers Terrace (in large empty border) - £765.00;
- St Werburgh's - Brooklands Hall (by conduit Place entrance) - £765.00;
- St Werburgh's - Brooklands Hall (boundary with M32) - £765.00;
- St Werburgh's - Brooklands Hall (boundary with M32) - £765.00;
- St Paul's - St Pauls Gardens – 7 trees - £5,355.00

Number of trees – 28

Total Cost for Ashley £18,690.00

Easton

Soft ground and existing pits:

- Easton - Chelsea Road – 5 new trees in existing tree pits £1,475.00;
- Redfield – Moorfields Close – 3 new trees in soft ground - £2,295.00;

Sub-total: £3,770.00.

(Easton) New Tree Pits

- Redfield - Victoria Avenue – 3 new trees in new tree pits on build outs - £6795.00
- Redfield - Baden Road – 1 new tree in new tree pit - £2,265.00;
- Avonvale Road – 2 new trees in tree pits on build out - £4,530.00;
- Redfield – Whitehall Road (corners of Stephen Street or Victoria Ave) - 2 new trees in new tree pits - £4,530.00;
- Redfield – Junction of Devon Road and Whitehall Road – 1 new tree in new tree pit - £2,265.00;
- Whitehall – Junction of Bourneville, Westminster and Neath Roads - 2 new trees in new tree pits - £4,530.00;
- Easton – Junction Cooperation Road and Devon Road - 1 new tree in new tree pit - £2,265.00;
- Easton – Junction of Church Street and High Street - 1 new tree in new tree pit- £2,265.00;
- Easton – Junction of Stapleton Road and St Marks Road (in Easton ward) – 1 new tree in new tree pit £2,265.00;
- Easton – Junction Belle Vue Road and Stanley Park – 1 new tree in new tree pit £2,265.00.

Sub-Total - £33,975.00

Grand Total – £37,745.00

Lawrence Hill

- St Jude's – Great George Street - 1 tree in existing tree pit - £295.00
- Goodhind Street – 1 replacement tree in soft ground - £295.00
- Newtown – 5 trees in existing tree pits - £1,475.00
- Junction of Marsh Lane and Avonvale Road – 1 new tree in new tree pit - £,2265.00

Number of Trees – 8

Total Cost for Lawrence Hill - £4,330.00

Grand Total: Ashley, Easton and Lawrence Hill Planting - £60,765.00