



AGENDA ITEM NO:9

CABOT, CLIFTON AND CLIFTON EAST NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP

22nd October 2013

Report of: Environmental Working Group.

Title: Section 106 Parks request

Officer presenting report: Deborah White, Area Environment Officer

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RECOMMENDATION

1. The Neighbourhood Committee is asked to agree the S106 request from the Environmental Working Group

Following the meeting of the last Environmental Working Group that took place in October, the group would like to make the following requests for release of S106 funds to fund the following projects:

Cumberland Piazza – tree planting

£21,240.76, from the Grove House and the 120 – 124 Hotwell Rd developments.

For 12 additional trees and other small environmental improvements.



Arlington Gardens – for tree maintenance works - £4,462.00

Pembroke Road £3,017.78 08/00172 Trees

Chesterfield Hospital £4,088.32 10/04593 Trees

Legal Information

When councillors decide how devolved funds are spent they should have due regard to the public sector equality duty that applies to all public bodies. This duty is contained in the Equality Act 2010 and came in to force on 6 April 2011. It replaces previous equality duties under the Sex Discrimination, Race Relations and Disability Discrimination Acts.

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Cabot, Clifton and Clifton East Neighbourhood Partnership

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Title: Parks Capital Stimulus Project – Reallocation of Victoria Square funding

Officer Presenting Report: Deborah White, Area Environment Officer

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RECOMMENDATION

The Neighbourhood Partnership is asked to:

1. Agree alternative use, within the Cabot, Clifton and Clifton East Neighbourhood Partnership area, of the £120,000 funding originally allocated towards providing children's play equipment in Victoria Square, Clifton.
2. Agree to allocate the £120,000 to the parks improvement projects as detailed in point 13 of the report under Proposals.

Background

3. On the 26 January 2012, Cabinet approved the allocation of £50m of resources to the 'Investing in Bristol's Future' package. This included the allocation of £3.5 million capital stimulus for the improvement of Parks and Green spaces throughout the city. The capital was obtained through Prudential Borrowing and was subsequently approved at the Full Council budget meeting on 28 February 2012.
4. The aspiration for the 3.5m capital investment was to deliver a programme of parks and green space improvements across the city in line with priorities agreed by Neighbourhood Committees within their parks investment plans, and to maximise the capital investment in these improvement projects.
5. On 4th July 2012 Cabinet approved a total of 47 projects across the city for funding from the capital stimulus fund.
6. An allocation of £120,000 to install children's play equipment in Victoria Square, Clifton, a project which featured as a high priority in the CCCE Parks Improvement Plan, was approved. No match funding was required.
7. For successful applications within the CCCE Neighbourhood Partnership area see table 1
8. Mall Gardens access improvements and Easter Gardens land purchase applications were unsuccessful

Table 1: capital investment projects approved by Cabinet within Cabot, Clifton and Clifton East Neighbourhood Partnership.

Project	Amount Requested (Total project cost)	Amount funded from the Capital Stimulus pot	Match funding request from Neighbourhood Committee	Match funding details
Castle Park	£503,727.97	£408,100	£95,627.97	Devolved section 106 funding
Brandon Hill Cabot Tower Gardens	£90,000	£71,000	£19,000	Devolved section 106
The Downs CPG	£140,000	£70,000	0	Match funding request to the Downs Committee
Underdown, Waring Francombe House and Dove Street CPG	£152,000 (for both projects)	£110,000	£0	None required
Charles Place Play area	£40,000	£40,000	0	None required

Context

9. A meeting was held on 15th March 2013 at Christchurch Primary School for an open discussion with the near neighbours of Victoria Square.
10. Great value was put on Victoria Square as an uninterrupted open space for informal unstructured leisure pursuits for all ages
11. Concerns were raised about the general condition of the pathways and general infrastructure of Victoria Square.
12. Following this meeting the decision was made not to continue to pursue the installation of children's play equipment in Victoria Square, but to explore renovation work to the existing infrastructure.

Proposal

13. The proposal is to re allocate this £120,000 to parks improvements projects as follows:

Infrastructure renovations to Victoria Square	49,979.50	Appendix 1
Refurbishment of Brandon Hill toilets	18,918.86	Appendix 2
Access and increased use of Mall Gardens	49,690.00	Appendix 3
	£118,588.36	

Fit against original criteria of Capital Stimulus Funding

14. The Cross Party Working Group's top priority for the allocation of Capital Stimulus Funding was improving equality of access, safety and infrastructure. All three alternative proposals for the Victoria Square reallocation of funding fit well with this priority.

15. In addition all three proposals feature in the Cabot, Clifton and Clifton East Improvement Plan Investment Priorities as follows:

- Victoria Square - Repair historic fabric of the space
- Brandon Hill - Infrastructure improvement
- Mall Gardens - Improve public access

Consultation

Internal

Relevant departments with BCC have been consulted regarding the reallocation of this resource.

External

Each Neighbourhood Partnership area has been undertaking a programme of prioritisation of parks and green space priorities and formalising these in parks area investment plans. These have been reviewed as part of the prioritisation work

These current proposals for the reallocation of this funding was tabled and broadly agreed at the CCCE Neighbourhood Partnership Environmental Sub Group meeting on 16th July 2013

Equalities Impact Assessment

Equalities impact assessments will be undertaken as part of the project delivery for each project.

Financial Implications

Cabot, Clifton and Clifton East Councillors will be tasked with ranking the three projects according to priority. The projects will then be implemented sequentially; this will ensure that they can be tailored on a diminishing scale within the finite budget.

Mike Allen – Finance Business Partner, Bristol City Council

Legal Implications:

The Cabinet decision of 4 July 2012 approved an allocation of £120,000 for a children's play area in Victoria Park, Clifton. (CAB6.7.12). The funding was allocated to the CCCE Neighbourhood Partnership following approval of their funding application by Cabinet on 4 July 2012. Following further consultation as outlined in this report the CCCE Neighbourhood Committee decided not to pursue the installation of children's play equipment in Victoria Square. This report puts forward proposals to reallocate the £120,000 to parks improvement projects as set out in the Proposal in this report.

The Cabinet Report of 4 July 2012 made provision for the investment plans to be managed and signed off by Officers within Environment and Leisure. This report recommends the

CCCE Neighbourhood Committee agree alternative use within the Cabot, Clifton and Clifton East Neighbourhood Partnership area of the funding originally allocated towards providing play equipment in Victoria Square, Clifton for the reasons stated in the report.

The CCCE Neighbourhood Committee must make decisions in accordance with the criteria approved by cabinet. The proposed reallocation of the Victoria Square funding of £120,000 to the improvement projects set out in the report fall within the criteria of Capital Stimulus Funding for the improvement of Parks and Green spaces throughout the city. Therefore the reallocation of the £120,000 to the improvement projects set out in this report will still fall within the relevant criteria approved by cabinet in the Cabinet Report of 4 July 2012.

Penny Wilford, Team Leader (Corporate), Legal Services, Bristol City Council

Personnel N/A

ACCESS TO INFORMATION

Background Papers:

2010 Cabinet report

https://www.bristol.gov.uk/committee/2010/ua/agenda/1216_1600_ua000.html

2012 Cabinet report

https://www.bristol.gov.uk/committee/2012/ua/agenda/0126_1800_ua000.html

Appendix 1 Infrastructure Renovation Costings – Victoria Square

Prelims		
Heras fencing	£350.00	10 day hire
Welfare Unit	£414.00	
H&S signage	£345.00	
Trees		
Raise Tree Canopies	£3,000	
Planting		
Remove planting	£4,000	Some areas are overgrown creating a perception of being unsafe. Prevalence of Aucuba & Laurel creating mono-culture
Prune remaining shrubs	£4,000	
New planting	£5,350	Increase visual interest & biodiversity
Grass		
Reinforcement works to grass at access points to northern & southern sections	£300.00	Matta tiles incl. grass seeding
Entrance (maintenance)		
Build outs:- Create build outs with drop bollards to allow maintenance vehicle access to site & provide better pedestrian access	£12,190.00	Incl. concrete, screed, kerb stones, Mistral Priora paving, bollards, drainage & labour
Furniture		
Relocate bench from middle of lawn to alongside middle walkway	£ 540.00	Dispose of concrete base – incl. labour & new concrete base
4 new benches located around perimeter of northern & southern section	£8,280.00	Including concrete bases and labour
Repainting		
Repaint rubbish bins	£550.00	
Repaint bollards	£540.00	
Repaint benches	£830.00	
Miscellaneous		
Relay paving along main walkway	£4,200.00	
Repair capping along main walkway	£2,300.00	
Clean up existing flagstones at access points	£290.00	
Contingency	£2,500.00	
TOTAL	£49,979.50	

Appendix 2 Refurbishment costs of Brandon Hill Public Conveniences

	Description	Quantity	Unit	Rate	Total
	<u>Gents toilet</u>				
PLM067008	Remove pan	2	item	£11.36	£22.72
PLM067004	Remove cistern	2	item	£14.37	£28.74
99 99 99	Remove pipework	1	item	£60.00	£60.00
M200801A	Supply and fit tile beading	22	LM	£3.89	£85.58
PLA075004	Supply and fit ceramic wall tiles	55	M2	£35.82	£1,970.10
M400601L	Apply epoxy grout to tiles	55	M2	£12.63	£694.65
PLA079001	Laytex floor	15	M2	£7.89	£118.35
PLA077001	Supply and lay quarry tiles	15	M2	£80.34	£1,205.10
M400601L	Apply epoxy grout to tiles	15	M2	£12.63	£189.45
DEC072001	To wash down ceiling	15	M2	£1.18	£17.70
DEC062011	To prepare and apply primer to ceilings	15	M2	£5.22	£78.30
DEC062009	To apply 2 no coats of emulsion to ceiling	15	M2	£4.54	£68.10
DEC072001	To wash down ceiling	15	M2	£1.18	£17.70
DEC064001	Apply 1 undercoat and 1 gloss to woodwork & windows	22	M2	£10.22	£224.84
99 99 99	Supply and fit stainless steel close coupled pan & cistern	2	item	£1,076.75	£2,153.50
99 99 99	Supply and fit stainless steel floor standing shrouded wash basin and tap	1	item	£654.00	£654.00
99 99 99	Supply and fit Stainless steel cistern and sparge pipes to urinals	1	item	£475.00	£475.00
99 99 99	Supply and fit stainless steel soap dispenser	1	item	£70.25	£70.25
99 99 99	Supply and fit stainless steel paper towel holder	1	item	£76.00	£76.00
99 99 99	Supply and fit stainless steel toilet roll dispenser	2	item	£71.40	£142.80
99 99 99	Supply and fit stainless steel floor standing shrouded wash basin and tap	1	item	£654.00	£654.00
99 99 99	Remove old door and frame and dispose off site	1	item	£60.00	£60.00
99 99 99	Supply and fit steel gate and frame	1	item	£1,150.00	£1,150.00
99 99 99	Remove old door and frame and dispose off site	1	item	£60.00	£60.00
	<u>Ladies toilet</u>				
PLM067008	Remove pan	2	item	£11.36	£22.72
PLM067004	Remove cistern	2	item	£14.37	£28.74
99 99 99	Remove pipework	1	item	£60.00	£60.00
M200801A	Supply and fit tile beading	17	LM	£3.89	£66.13
PLA075004	Supply and fit ceramic wall tiles	42	M2	£35.82	£1,504.44
M400601L	Apply epoxy grout to tiles	42	M2	£12.63	£530.46
PLA079001	Laytex floor	11	M2	£7.89	£86.79
PLA077001	Supply and lay quarry tiles	11	M2	£80.34	£883.74

M400601L	Apply epoxy grout to tiles	11	M2	£12.63	£138.93
99 99 99	supply and fit stainless steel close coupled pan and cistern	2	item	£1,076.75	£2,153.50
DEC072001	To wash down ceiling	11	M2	£1.18	£12.98
DEC062011	To prepare and apply primer to ceilings	11	M2	£5.22	£57.42
PLM067008	Remove pan	2	item	£11.36	£22.72
DEC062009	To apply 2 no coats of emulsion to ceiling	11	M2	£4.54	£49.94
DEC064001	Apply 1 undercoat and 1 gloss to woodwork and windows	22	M2	£10.22	£224.84
99 99 99	Supply and fit stainless steel floor standing shrouded wash basin and tap	1	item	£654.00	£654.00
99 99 99	Supply and fit stainless steel soap dispenser	1	item	£70.25	£70.25
99 99 99	Supply and fit stainless steel paper towel holder	1	item	£76.00	£76.00
99 99 99	Supply and fit stainless steel toilet roll dispenser	2	item	£71.40	£142.80
99 99 99	Remove old door and frame and dispose off site	1	item	£60.00	£60.00
99 99 99	Supply and fit steel gate and frame	1	item	£1,150.00	£1,150.00
	Provisional sum				
	Supply and fit energy efficient lighting to both toilets				£1,000.00
	To supply and fit heavy duty raised manhole cover to Gents				£400.00
				TOTAL	£18,918.86

Appendix 3 Access to Mall Gardens

Formal (East) Garden		
Widening the opening of the gates from the north side of West Mall	£2,000	
Build outs:- Create build outs with drop bollards to allow maintenance vehicle access to site & provide better pedestrian access	£12,190.00	Incl. concrete, screed, kerb stones, paving, bollards, drainage & labour
Remodelling and resurfacing the course of the original pathway in the park	£21,000	
Reopening the front gates onto The Mall and remodelling the existing floral beds	£6,500	
Renovation and relocation of the existing benches to the side of the path	£3,000	
Informal (Central) Garden		
Provision of a single toddler swing in the central garden	£2,500	Incl. installation and safety surface.
Both Gardens		
2 X community notice boards	£2,500	Incl. installation costs
	TOTAL	£49,690.00