



**AGENDA ITEM NO. 9**

**ST GEORGE  
NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP  
TUESDAY 11<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2012**

**Report of:** Abdulrazak Dahir, Area Coordinator,  
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**Title:** Devolved Services Update

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**RECOMMENDATIONS: The Neighbourhood Committee is asked to**

**1. Highways Schemes**

- 1.1 Note progress of schemes carried over from 2010/11
- 1.2 Note progress of schemes carried over from 2011/12
- 1.3 Note progress of the Carriage and Footways schemes for 2012/13.
- 1.4 Note progress of the devolved Traffic Section 106 schemes 2012/13
- 1.5 Note progress of other schemes

**2. Clean and Green**

- 2.1- Note progress of 2011 / 2012 schemes (supported from bid to £29K Clean & Green central pot)
- 2.2- Approve proposed schemes from the 2012/13 devolved Clean and Green budget £1,640
- 2.3- Note proposed 2012/13 schemes – Bids to £19k Clean & Green central pot

**3. Parks Section 106**

- 3.1- Note progress of the 2011/12 Section 106 funded projects
- 3.2- Note progress of the 2012/13 Section 106 funded projects

## 1. Highways Schemes

1.1 Note progress of schemes carried over from 2010/11		
Location & Scheme Description	Final Cost £	Status
Kingsway Area (inc Grantham Rd): Area wide Parking restriction review and implementation. Neighbourhood Committee (NC) approved £7,500 in Feb 2010 & £6,000 Sept 2012 total amount £13,500.	£	Objections to formal consultation had been signed off. Anticipated to complete the scheme before end of December 2012, subject to weather conditions. Final cost of the scheme will be provided at the next NP meeting.
Crews Hole/Beaufort Rd schemes: Beaufort Rd/Queens Rd/The Avenue: Feasibility study NC approved £5,000 in Feb 2010	£	Draft options had been presented at Traffic and Transport subgroup consultation event on Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2012. See below under Section 106 heading.
Meadowvale and Whiteway Rd: Feasibility on traffic calming management measures £2,500 approved by the NC Feb 2010.	£	Speed and volume count was done draft scheme proposal is being put together. Copies will be made available to the next Traffic and Transport subgroup meeting scheduled in February 2013.
1.2 Note progress of schemes carried over from 2011/12		
Furber Road: Scheme aimed at mitigating contravention of existing no entry restriction. NC approved £7,500 in March 2011	£	The Environment subgroup recommended paying £170 to contribute to the cost of planting street tree. BCC Horticultural team agreed to pay remaining £170 as part of their Tree Bristol scheme. The tree will be planted before the end of the 2012-planting season. See 2.2.7 below.
Hudds Vale Road area: Review and introduce parking restrictions £6,000 NC approved in March 2011.	£	This is currently in the internal design stage, informal consultation with residents directly affected by the scheme will be carried out. Once approved it will be sent to legal services to prepare the Traffic Regulating Order process. It is envisaged the scheme to start on site in Summer 2013.

<b>1.3 Note progress of the Carriage and Footways schemes for 2012/13.</b>		
<b>Location</b>	<b>Final Cost</b>	<b>Status</b>
Bells Hill Rd (Battenburg Rd to Queen St) estimated cost £10,000	£13,474.50	Completed. Any overspent will be met by central budget
Nags Head Hill (Troopers Hill Rd to Kingsway) estimated cost £10,000	£12,900	Completed. Any overspent will be met by central budget
<b><u>Footway Resurfacing - £42,000</u></b>		
Kingsway, estimated £42,000	£45,568.17	Completed: £3,568.17 is to be carried over to 2013/14.

<b>1.4 Note progress of the devolved Traffic Section 106 schemes 2012/13</b>					
<b>Permission / Site / S106 Code</b>		<b>Current Contribution Value</b>	<b>Date to be Spent / Committed by</b>	<b>Purpose of Contribution</b>	<b>Status</b>
1	Crews Hole/Beaufort Rd scheme: 23 Pile Marsh, St. George	£9,124.96	16/01/13	Towards the cost of upgrading (re-surfacing/improvements to lighting) the George and Dragon Lane from Pilemarsh through to Avonvale Road to an adoptable standard	Draft options had been presented at Traffic and Transport subgroup consultation on Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2012. Preferred option was circulated and concerns were raised. Senior Traffic Engineer is meeting with officers who raised these concerns on Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December.
2	Crews Hole/Beaufort Rd scheme: Weavers Mill, Blackswarth Road, Crews Hole	£39,136.61	22/02/13	The provision of Traffic Management and Pedestrian improvements in the vicinity of the site.	
3	Crews Hole/Beaufort Rd scheme: Former Blackswarth Road Prefab Site, St. George	£15,818.91	2/04/13	Towards highway improvement measures at the junction of Pilemarsh and Beaufort Road	
4	Crews Hole/Beaufort Rd scheme: Crews Hole Road / St. George	£1,138.32	No limit	Minor safety improvements to Crews Hole Road.	
5	Stibbs Hill: Road Closure from the Southside.	£10,000	No limit	The provision of traffic management and/or highways measures and/or footpath upgrades within 1km of Stibbs Hill.	The scheme is at initial design stage.

<b>1.5 Note progress of other schemes</b>		
<b>Location &amp; Scheme Description</b>	<b>Allocated Funds £</b>	<b>Status</b>
St George Park Car Park: Lighting improvements. NC approved £7,228.88 in Sept 2012 NP meeting	0	Order has been placed expected contractor complete before end of December 2012. Linked to St George Car park there is a proposal from Wessex Water to carryout storm drain improvement works. For more information see appendices 1 & 2.
<b><u>Local Traffic Schemes £19,933</u></b> (17,147 + £2,786 of underspend from 2011/12)		
Minor Signs and Lines	£1,500	.

## 2. Clean & Green.

N0	Location	Issue	Description of works	Est cost	Spent	Balance	Update
<b>2.1- Note progress of 2011 / 2012 schemes (supported from bid to £29K Clean &amp; Green central pot)</b>							
1	St George Park Lake island	NF priority	Planting shrubs any additional works not covered by devolved budget	£3,000	£3,000	NIL	Tree works completed. Shrubs planted by Shrubs have been planted by Woodland & Wildlife Team.
2	Bryants Hill & Two Mile Hill	Issue raised at Environment sub group	To replace tree stumps -c/f from previous priorities	£510	£340	£170	Completed. Planted 1 X Liquidambar and 1 X Mapletree. Awaiting utility checks before remaining tree can be planted.
<b>2.2- The NC is asked to approve proposed schemes from the 2012/13 devolved Clean and Green budget £1,640</b>							
1	St George Park/grass bank	Spring bulbs	2000 bulbs - FOSGP will organise bulb planting events	£100	NIL	NIL	Bulbs were to be planted on park verge along Chalks Rd car park, due to recent car parking works, this location is not up to the required planting standard. AEO is looking into this.
2	Rodney Rd Playing Fields	Friends group would like to enhance the area	1000 bulbs	£50	£50	£1590	Bulbs planted by local residents & Kingsway Youth Group members.

3	St George Pre School	Spring bulbs to enhance outdoor area.	Bulbs to be planted by children & helpers.	£50	£50	£1540	Bulbs planted
4	Plummers Hill Playing Fields	Spring bulbs to enhance the area	Bulbs to be planted out by local residents	£50	£50	£1490	Bulbs planted. AEO working with residents to set up Friends of Group
4	Furber Rd/Sheldare Barton	Small grass area, there is a lack of small trees in this area	Community orchard - TreeBristol scheme	TBC	NIL	NIL	A request has been made to fund this from the Additional Tree Planting scheme for Winter.
5	Meadowvale	Overgrown area in need of enhancement.	Various plants to enhance area, to include community payback to carry out works	£200 - £300	NIL	NIL	Scheme being developed, and will link in with former shrine gardening project.
6	Blackswarth Rd, land adjacent to St George Pre School	ASB – drug related litter in overgrowth	Cut back overgrown bushes to ground level to deter further ASH issues	NIL	NIL	NIL	Works completed – funded through existing budgets
7	Tree plants	Replace 1 tree stump and new street tree for Furber Rd	Plant 2 street trees	£300			Works to be completed before planting season.

**2.3- 2012 / 2013 update on bids submitted to Clean & Green board funded from £19k city wide pot**

1	Kingsway Shopping Precinct	1970's shopping precinct, widely used by local community, in great need of environmental enhancements	Carryout environment enhancements	£4,062.50			Funding application un-successful
2	St George Pre School	No area where children can play other than grassed area, during wet weather	All purpose rubber matting	£4,668.86			Funding application un-successful
3	Various locations	Replacement Tree Stumps	Plant new tree	£1,360			Funding application un-successful
4	Kensington Rd	Tree Guards	Will complete street enhancement project	£3,102			Funding application un-successful
5	Speedwell – Various locations	Hedge reduction	Will be carried out as part of proposed Speedwell week of action works	£2,500 - £3,000			Funding application un-successful
6	Meadowvale	Former shrine site	Planting & enhancement works will link in with	£800.00			Part funded - £500 awarded



<b>3.1- Note progress of the 2011/ 2012 S106 funded Projects</b>							
	<b>Location</b>	<b>Issue</b>	<b>Description of works</b>	<b>Estimated Cost</b>	<b>Actual Cost</b>		<b>Update</b>
1	St. Georges Park	Lack of community notice board	Supply and install Community Notice Board	£1,300			Friends of group requested triple size notice board which will allow additional educational posters to address current fishing related issues.
2	Plummers Hill Open space	Cannot access Public Right of Way	Replace gate to improve entrance and address PRoW access	£1,244.50			Completed
<b>3.2- Note progress of the 2012/13 Section 106 funded projects</b>							
1	Rodney Rd Playing Fields	Lack of provision in the park raised at Environment sub group	Provision of 1 set of mini goal posts, 3 metal benches, 1 litter bin, 1 notice board to be located in Rodney Road Playing Fields.	£6,400			Works completed. AEO is now assisting local residents to set up new Friends Group
2	Meg Thatchers Open Space	Enhancement works to include removal of overgrown brambles	Scrub removal, bulbs & benches.	£3,684			Scrub clearance & bulb planting completed. Benches on hold as residents raised concerns due to some ASB issues. Awaiting suitable locations.

<b>3.2</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Issue</b>	<b>Description of works</b>	<b>Estimated Cost</b>	<b>Actual Cost</b>		<b>Update</b>
<b>3</b>	St George Park Lake	Existing permitted fishing zone markings worn away and need to be relocated.	Removal of existing markings.	£690	£690		Works completed
<b>4</b>	St George Park	Area inside Childrens Play Ground (CPG), too small.	Extend fencing around existing CPG, to accommodate families & carers while children play in a safe environment .				Works in progress
<b>5</b>	St George Park	Enhance park entrances	33,000 bulbs planted out for maximum impact at key locations				Works completed
<b>6</b>	St George Park Lake	Improve the island & lake as a wildlife habitat & refuge	Silt testing & analysis required prior to wildlife friendly plants				Works in progress..
<b>7</b>	St George Park	Creation of organic community garden	Plants, materials				Works in progress.
<b>6</b>	Conham River Park	Lack of dog litter bins, benches & signage	Supply and install 4 x dog litter bins, 2 x benches & finger signage post	£6,120	£6,120		Works completed

## Appendix 1

### St George Car Park

#### For information:

Some two years ago we became aware that Wessex water were looking to make a major improvement to the East Bristol Storm and Surface Water main drainage system. The existing 5 metre chamber is no longer adequate.

We informed them that we were making major improvements to the car park and that should they need to place the new installation there that they would have to bring a newly refurbished car park back up to scratch when they left. I was informed that their preferred location was just in the park next to the Lyndale Road pedestrian entrance just east of the car park and they had no idea as to exactly when they would commence

I have now had a meeting with them.

The situation now is that Wessex Water are looking to install a new 6m diameter chamber, 7m deep at the top end of the car park. A new mechanical screen will then be fitted into the chamber. The new chamber will also be fitted with a Gatic cover approximately 2.3m by 1.5m to allow future access to the screen and two standard access covers. The screen requires a monitoring cabinet, which they propose to site next to the recycling bin area.

They will also need to use part of the car park as a site compound. I have reduced their expectations to no more than a third of the car park. In order not to interfere with normal use of the car park by lorry traffic driving through parked cars, I understand that they intend to apply to put in a temporary works access off Lyndale Road. ( We may be able to accommodate any disadvantage residents in the car park). Operations should be subject to normal controls on noise and hours of work etc.

The scheme has a programmed start on site date of mid March 2013, lasting 2 to 3 months and it is proposed that Notice is served to carry out the works.

They also met Russell Horsey, the previous Senior Arboricultural Officer to discuss the trees and ecological surveys required for the scheme. One of the proposed investigations is to look at the stability of the surrounding trees by digging a trench, air spading it and looking at any roots found. We also suggested that the existing storm water chamber cover should be tidied up

during the works - they stated their intention to locate planters on that cover with planted shrubs, flowers etc. I will ask Teija and yourselves for her input as to type of shrubs, plants - eg herbs like lavender, rosemary etc.

I attach a pdf of the size of their compound etc.

We will lose 20 car parking bays and four minibus bays to the compound, with another 2 minibus bays being required for traffic flow. In addition another 6 bays will be required for use as the temporary location for the recycling bins.

Due to the difficulties with access for HGVs via the Chalks Road entrance, they are looking at the feasibility of opening a works access from Lyndale Road.

As stated above we will require them to re-instate the car park to its present state and also install raised planters around the perimeter of the existing storm drain cover, with recommended planting



# St. Georges Park: Car park Design Option A



- Design Option A:
- Removal of select trees to edge of parking bays.
  - Possible planting of additional tree to Chalk's Road.

New location of recycling bins

Green-screen mesh fence

New trees to match existing

Existing trees

New lamp column locations

Motorcycle / cycle parking

Resurfaced circular area

New tree

Existing trees

Trees to be removed

Low shrub beds

New pallisade fence

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Redfield Mews

The Lodge



# St. Georges Park: Car park Design Option B



- Design Option A:
- Removal of select trees to edge of parking bays.
  - Possible planting of additional tree to Chalk's Road.
  - Clearance of elm and selective understorey / scrub.
  - Swale for retaining run-off water from car-park, with marginal plants.

New location of recycling bins

New vehicular access

New Ginkgo trees

Flowering cherry trees

Green-screen mesh fence

Drainage swale

New trees to match existing

Existing trees

Playground

New lamp column locations

Motorcycle / cycle parking

New bollards

Select clearance of understorey and scrub

Resurfaced circular area

New tree

Existing trees

Trees to be removed

Low shrub beds

New pallisade fence





# St. Georges Park: Car park Design Option C



- Design Option B:**
- Removal of trees along Chalk's Road.
  - Replanted with Oak, Hornbeam or Maple..
  - Clearance of understorey and scrub.
  - Replanted with flowering low shrubs, groundcovers, with swathes of bulbs throughout trees.
  - Swale for retaining run-off water from car-park.
  - New hedge planting – native and flowering shrubs

- New location of recycling bins
- Green-screen mesh fence
- Drainage swale
- New hedge
- 30.5m
- Clearance of understorey and scrub
- Resurfaced circular area
- New tree line
- Existing trees removed
- Bulb mix and groundcover plants

- New vehicular access
- New Gingko trees
- Flowering cherry trees
- New trees to match existing
- Existing trees
- Playground
- New lamp column locations
- Motorcycle / cycle parking
- New bollards
- New pallisade fence
- Low shrub beds



# St. Georges Park: Car park Sketch Visuals



Existing site

View of proposed new access off Lyndale Road





# St. Georges Park: Car park Sketch Visuals



View of proposed new location of recycling bins

Existing site





# St. Georges Park: Car park Sketch Visuals



Existing site

View of proposed new tree line along Chalk's Road





# St. Georges Park: Car park Sketch Visuals



View of proposed new access off Lyndale Road



View of proposed new tree line along Chalk's Road



View of proposed new location of recycling bins



Existing site



# St. Georges Park: Planting

## Groundcover plants:



- Alchemilla mollis
- Geranium 'Johnson's Blue'
- Geranium macrorrhizum
- Viola cornuta alba
- Viola cornuta lilacina
- Galium odoratum
- Spiraea 'Magic Carpet'

## Low shrub plants:



- Salvia lavandulifolia
- Salvia officinalis
- Hebe 'Pewter Dome'
- Helichrysum petiolare
- Hyssopus officinalis
- Liriope muscari

## Marginal water plants:



- Iris pseudacorus
- Luzula nivea

## Mixed bulbs:



- Crocus tommasinianus (Crocus)
- Galanthus nivalis (Snow Drop)
- Hyacinthoides non-scripta (Bluebell)
- Primula veris (as plug plants) (Cowslip)
- Narcissus pseudonarcissus (Daffodil)
- Fritillaria meleagris (Snake's head Fritillary)

## Chalk's Road tree options:

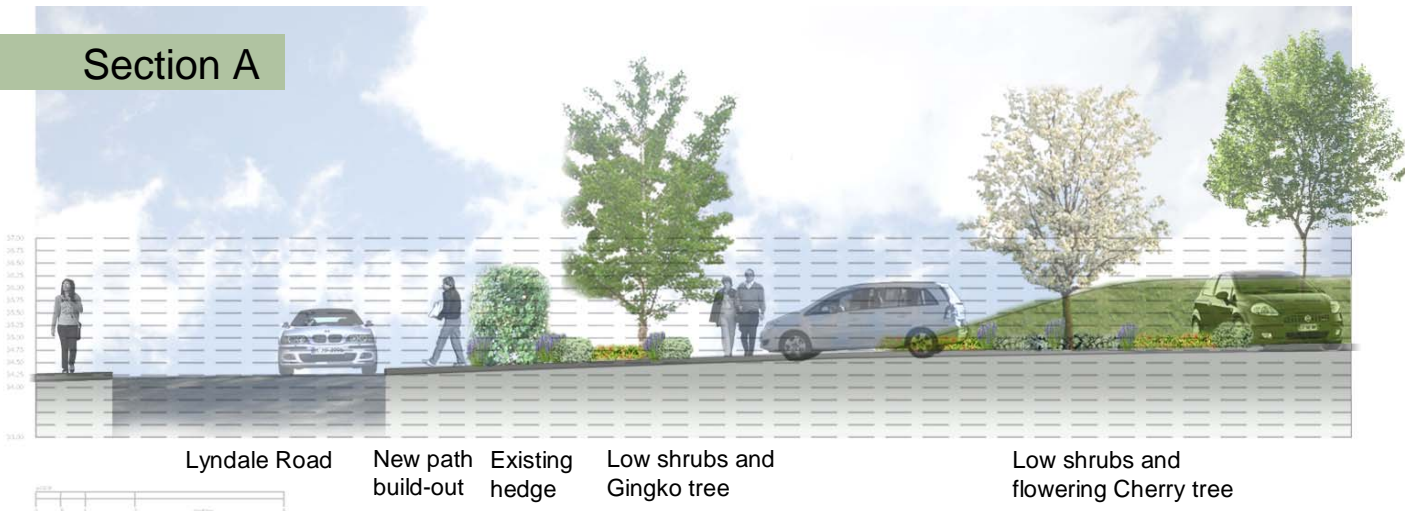
- Hornbeam
  - Oak
  - Maple rubra 'Armstrong'
- ## Car park tree options:
- Elm 'New Horizon'
  - Hornbeam 'Streetwise'
  - Maple 'Streetwise'
  - Flowering cherry tree



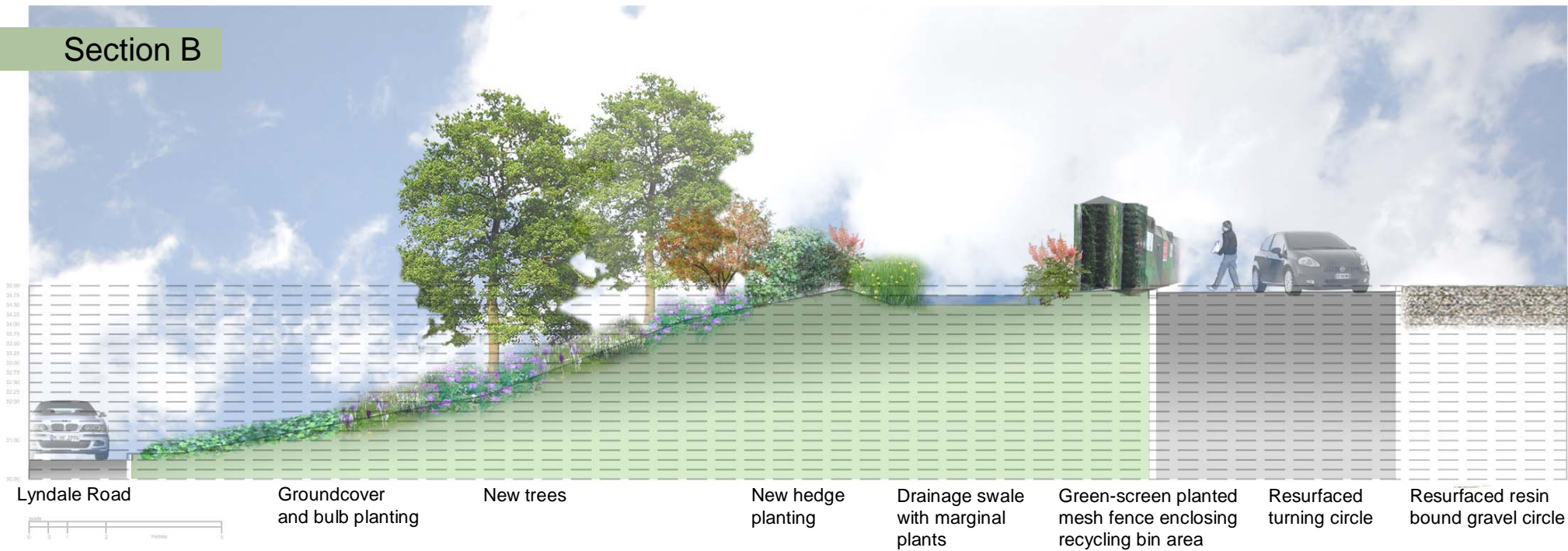


# St. Georges Park: Car park Sketch Sections

## Section A



## Section B



## Section C

