



## AGENDA ITEM NO. 11

### St George Neighbourhood Partnership 26<sup>th</sup> March 2013

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**Title:** PARK INVESTMENT PLAN, S106 FUNDING RELEASE REQUEST

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#### RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Neighbourhood Committee agrees the proposed projects, funded through S106, identified by the Environment Sub Group, at their meeting on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2013 and that £4,500 is being requested for allocation to these projects -

That the Neighbourhood Committee notes that the costs are approximate.

That the Neighbourhood Committee notes that the proposed projects once approved by the Neighbourhood Committee, will then be progressed by the Parks Operations Manager and Area Environment Officer.

#### Background

1. The St George Neighbourhood Partnership (NP) Committee agreed St George Parks Investment Plan at the Neighbourhood Partnership meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2011. The Neighbourhood Committee requested that further work was carried out by the Environment Sub Group to develop a schedule of projects across the NP area. These works to be carried out jointly by the Area Environment Officer and Environment Sub Group.
2. The NP requested that a volunteer 'resident champion' to help move the projects forward and report on a regular basis to the Environment Subgroup.

3. The Area Environment Officer has been working closely with the Friends of St George Park in putting together a number of requests for S106 that will enhance and improve the Park.
4. The proposed projects were discussed at the St George Environment Sub Group meeting on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2013.
5. The Neighbourhood Committee is asked to note that delivery of prioritised schemes will depend on officer capacity. Councillors will be kept informed of timescales and the progress of schemes will be updated within the Area Coordinators report at Neighbourhood Partnership meetings.

## **PROPOSAL**

1. **St George Park** - Requests have been received by the Friends of Group and other park users to locate a further two benches near to the existing wheels park, which will enable park users to sit and watch in particular the younger users of the wheels park. A request has also been received to locate a litterbin, adjacent to the wheels park, this will enable this user group to deposit their litter.
2. **Gladstone Street** – Requests have been received from local residents to locate a combined litter and dog waste bin on the small open space area. There is currently no provision for litter or dog waste, and concerns have been raised with regards to the amounts of litter that have been left on this open space.

## **3. RISK ASSESSMENT**

There are no main risks associated with these projects. The Area Environment Officer will work closely with all interested parties to ensure that the projects are delivered to approved council standard.

## **EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

1. It is not expected that there will be any adverse impacts to any equalities community from this investment decision.

## **REVENUE**

1. The revenue implications of investment are taken into account through the way in which the Council allocates S106 income. Therefore there are no additional revenue implications for this spend proposal.