



**MY NEIGHBOURHOOD**

**Greater Fishponds Neighbourhood Partnership  
Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2017**

**Report of:** Subgroup Chairs, Neighbourhood Co-ordinator.

**Title: NP Activities- Business Report**

**Recommendation:**

- 1- **Traffic & Transport update:** NP members to note progress.
- 2- **Environment Subgroup:** NP members to note progress and NC to approve subgroup recommendations to approve S106 and CIL proposals.

## **Part 1: Traffic and Transport Update:**

- 1- The Traffic and Transport subgroup met with the City Transport Team managing the Cycle Ambition Fund on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2017.
- 2- Main item for discussion was the recent Broom Hill/Blackberry Hill TRO improvements consultation. The group had detailed discussions about the scheme and proposed amending the proposal by moving apart proposed two bus shelters opposite one another located in Broom Hill in order to enable traffic movements in both directions. They also suggested widening the lane approaching the roundabout from Broom Hill in order to accommodate two lanes and increase the capacity of the roundabout.
- 3- The group also discussed the recent Bristol City Council (BCC) announcement to find savings amounting to £500,000 during 2017/18 financial year from the Neighbourhood Management service. The group were notified that BCC is unable to provide the level of support they had and if they wanted to continue to operate would have to depend using their own resources.
- 4- Following discussions the group agreed to continue to operate with more focused remit, despite BCC's Neighbourhood Management service reduction.

## **Part 2: Environment Subgroup**

- 5- The Environment Subgroup met on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2017. The group discussed number of projects requesting S106 funding and CIL.
- 6- Friends of Fishponds Park (FoFP) carried out extensive consultation with local children and parents who use the park's children play facilities. The group is also actively seeking funding from external sources.
- 7- With the help from the Neighbourhood Partnership team the group secured £20,000 funding from Bristol City Council's (BCC) Parks Fund. They were hopeful works for phase 1 of the park's development plan would be installed before summer 2017.

- 8- However due to BCC's recently announced budget cuts the funding previously allocated from the Bristol's Parks Fund was withdrawn, putting the project under threat.
- 9- The FoFP require £20,000 from GFNP CIL to enable the group secure enough money to complete phase 1 of the parks development plan within reasonable timescales. They also require additional £11,395.29 of Section 106, to enable the group fundraise further funding needed to complete the project or downsize it to deliver improvements on the current play offer.
- 10- In addition FLAG have managed to raise £46,000 to upgrade the skate park in Hillfields Park. Total cost of the project is estimated to be £115,750 including BCC Management Fee. The group is looking to submit a grant application to a landfill trust for £50,000. However the group is short in the management fee along with the land trust fee, which in total amount to approximately £14,000. The group is seeking this £4k of Section 106 to secure the project and further £10K from CIL to cover this. A financial break down will be available at the NP meeting on the 23rd March Hillfields Park.
- 11- Subgroup members also heard Eastville MUGA project worth in excess of £70,000 was also affected by the recent cuts and the Friends of Eastville Park require additional £16,113.06 to help the group fundraise funding needed to upgrade the very much loved Children Play Facility in Eastville Park.
- 12- Other projects BCC's cuts affected include SMAG proposal to replace accessible picnic bench, which they previously submitted a Wellbeing application for and proposal for Park Works Team to carryout works in number of parks in the NP area.
- 13- The Neighbourhood Committee is hereby asked to approve subgroup recommendations summarised below.

<b>2016/17: CIL March 2017</b>			<b>£120,766.78</b>
<b>NP Plan Priority:</b>	<b>Activity/Description of works</b>	<b>Amount £</b>	<b>Running Balance £</b>
<b>Priority 3: The NP area has quality Parks and play areas accessible to all: New Activity- Upgrade play facility in Fishponds Park Fishponds Play area:</b>	Fishponds Park: Proposed Fishponds Park Phase 1 Development contribution using (ref: 14/02640 and 13/00210)	£20,000	£100,766.78
<b>Priority 3: The NP area has quality Parks and play areas accessible to all: New Activity- Develop new play facility for older children in Eastville Park.</b>	Develop Eastville Park MUGA Using (ref: 11/01729, 14/02640, 14/06307, 14/06301, 15/04378, 14/02079, 14/02640, 15/06265, 16/00391, 15/03180, 14/02805, 15/00433, 16/02653. <b>Condition:</b> This is with the proviso that the plans and discussions are shared with subgroup members.	£70,000	£30,766.78
<b>Priority 3: The NP area has quality Parks and play areas accessible to all: Hillfields Park</b>	Contribution towards project management of skateboard Park from (Ref: 13/01732, 13/05563, 13/02654, 14/01333, 13/02883, 14/00339, 12/04279) <b>Condition:</b> This is with the proviso that -BCC Parks to agree to install and maintain the skate park. It is also subject to FLAG's funding application being successful.	£10,000	£20,766.78
<b>Priority 3: The NP area has quality Parks and play areas accessible to</b>	ParkWork will be working and supporting local residents and Friends of Parks in the NP area to organise regular volunteer sessions. These sessions will involve tree planting, footpath maintenance, bench	£6,816	£13,950.78

<b>all:</b>	restoration (including SMAGs), tree pruning, weeding, etc. The funding will be used to pay for vehicle hire, fuel, tools maintenance, clothing and hire of yard from (ref: 11/01729) This is TBC at the meeting.		
<b>Remaining CIL</b>			<b>£13,950.78</b>

<b>2016/17: Section 106 March 2017</b>			<b>£41,209.89</b>
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<b>Priority 3: The NP area has quality Parks and play areas accessible to all: New Activity- Develop new play facility for older children in Eastville Park.</b>	Develop Eastville Park Play including MUGA (Ref:05/03852/Ebenezer Chapel). <b>Condition:</b> This is with the proviso that the plans and discussions are shared with subgroup members.	£16,113.06	£13,701.54
<b>Priority 3: The NP area has quality Parks and play areas accessible to all: Hillfields Park</b>	Contribution towards project management of skateboard Park ( Ref: 12/04445 247 Charlton Road). <b>Condition:</b> This is with the proviso that -BCC Parks to agree to install and maintain the skate park. It is also subject to FLAG's funding application being successful.	£4,000	£9,701.54
<b>Remaining S106</b>			<b>£9,701.54</b>

14- Finally the group discussed proposed cuts of the BCC Neighbourhood Management service. Following discussions the group agreed to continue to operate.