

DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Leisure and Arts Services Committee – 19 April 2004

REPORT ON: Dawson Park Masterplan

REPORT BY: Director of Leisure and Arts

REPORT NO: 294-2004

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To outline the Masterplan for the future development of Dawson Park.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Committee

2.1 Approve the principal contents of the Dawson Park Masterplan and remits the Director of Leisure and Arts to consult stakeholders in respect of Phase II and future phases.

2.2 Remit the Director of Leisure and Arts to progress the implementation of the Masterplan as outlined in this report over the next 10 years.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 Phase I of this project being the Demonstration Garden can be contained with the Leisure and Arts Department's Capital Plan for 2004/05, £100,000 and 2005/06, £60,000.

4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Dawson Park Masterplan will provide sustainability for the area by planning its future improvements within realistic timescales and budgets while taking into account the environment and biodiversity of the area.

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 To ensure all citizens, and in particular the disabled, have access to a clean, safe and free public area in Broughty Ferry.

6.0 MAIN TEXT

6.1 The Leisure and Arts Department is in the process of drawing up Masterplans for all its major city parks as a mechanism to provide forward planning for their future development. Camperdown Country Park Play Complex and Castle Green Masterplan have already been approved by Committee and Dawson Park Masterplan is submitted as the third in the series. This supports the aims of the Department to provide customer focus, facility management, increased linkage with local communities, enhanced leisure opportunities and recreational value for the city's parks.

6.2 The proposed Masterplan has been developed to provide a planned phased programme of improvement works in the Dawson Park area over the next ten years. It is designed to allow annual improvement works to progress without causing disruption to existing provision or

causing any duplication of provision. The proposals build on the existing improvement to signage and park entrances and will be complimented by new parks furniture.

- 6.3 Each element of the Masterplan will be reported to Committee as each is designed in detail, funding identified and tenders received for construction.
- 6.4 Phase I of the Masterplan is the creation of a Demonstration Garden. There is an allowance of £160,000 over financial years 2004/05 and 2005/06 in the Leisure and Arts Department's Capital Budgets and a tender report on elements of this feature will be brought forward to an early Committee for consideration.
- 6.5 Phase II proposals include the upgrading of the existing pavilions to accommodate additional users, the amendment to the existing tennis court so that a more flexible multi-use facility is created for all year use and the replacement of the current all weather surface to form either another grass pitch or a more appropriate all weather surface. In respect of delivering this future capital priorities will be reviewed to take these works into account and opportunities for external funding will be sought.
- 6.6 Future phases will include the enhancement of the landscape elements building on the relocation of the Demonstration Garden and using the expansion of Dawson Park to provide examples of specific landscape features to compliment the aims of the Demonstration Garden.
- 6.7 In respect of Phase II and future provision there will be an opportunity for consultation with respective stakeholders and it is proposed that the Director of Leisure and Arts be remitted to carry out such consultations.

7.0 CONSULTATION

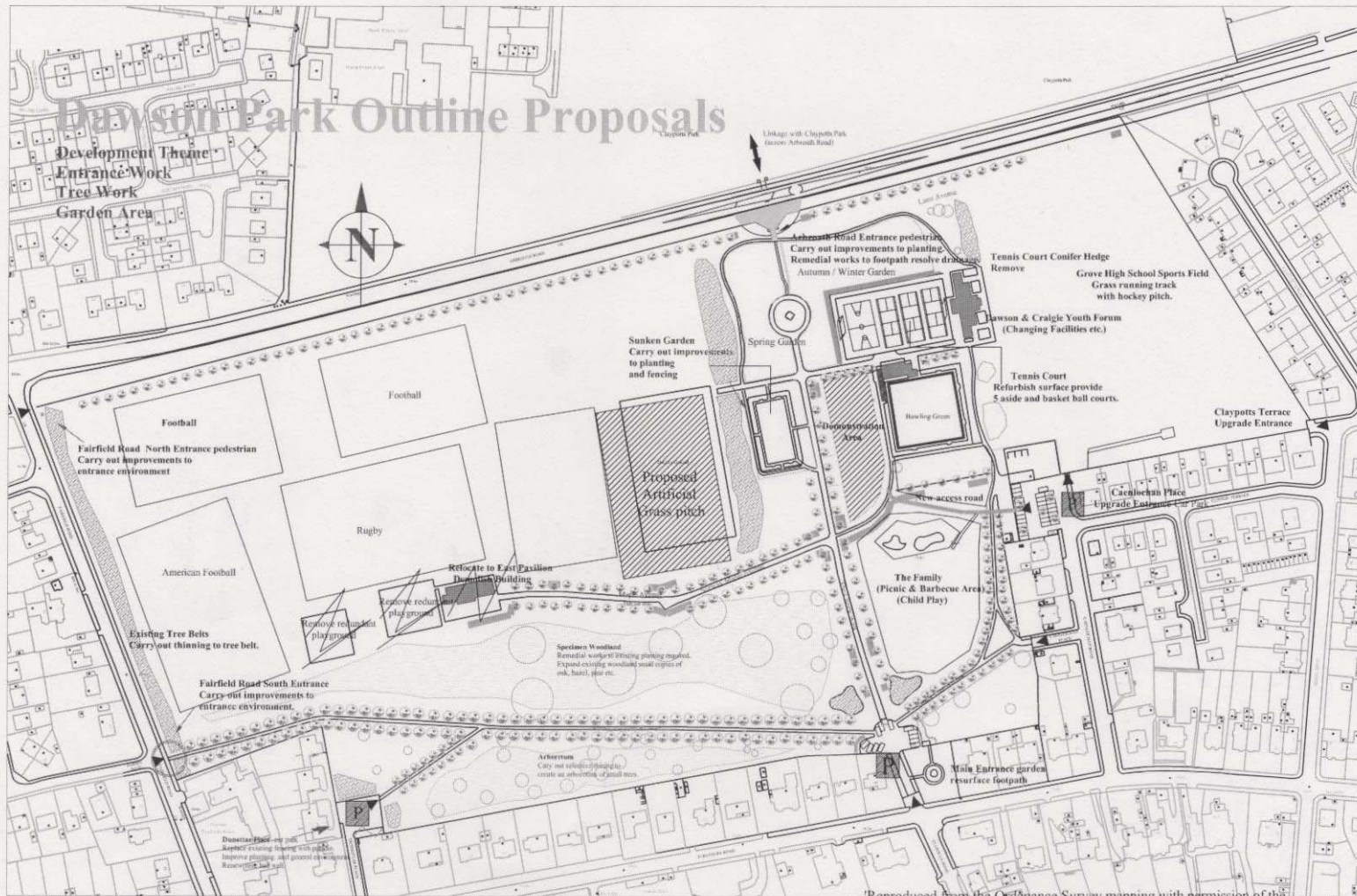
- 7.1 The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Finance), Depute Chief Executive (Support Services) and Assistant Chief Executive (Community Planning) have been consulted on this report and are in agreement with its contents.

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 8.1 No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to any material extent in preparing the above report.

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Dewson Park Outline Proposals



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