

ITEM No ...3.....

REPORT TO: NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES COMMITTEE – 21 NOVEMBER 2022
REPORT ON: ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT WORKS 2022
REPORT BY: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES
REPORT NO. 298-2022

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To gain Committee approval for further Environmental Improvements as part of the 2022/23 programme.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 It is recommended that approval be given for the projects below at: -

Project Reference and Project Description	Contractor	Amount	Fees	Total Amount
Project No. C220006 Nature Restoration Fund 2022/23 Phase 3:	Rose Design Services Neighbourhood Services	£7,468	£500	£7,968
Project No. C220012 Cemetery Infrastructure	P&G Blacksmiths Tayside Contracts Neighbourhood Services	£46,940	£2,500	£49,440
Project No. C220013 Baxter Park Entrance Improvements	Neighbourhood Services	£45,000	£5,000	£50,000
Project No. C220014 Claypotts Curling Pond Boundary	Neighbourhood Services	£22,689	£2,269	£24,958
Project No. C220015 Grassy Beach Improvements	Neighbourhood Services	£15,578	£1,459	£17,037

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The Executive Director of Corporate Services has confirmed that funding for the above projects is available through the updated Capital Plan 2022-2027 as detailed on the attached sheets.

4. MAIN TEXT

4.1 Reference is made to Item (V) of the Minute of the meeting of Policy and Resources Committee on 7 December 2015 Street Cleaning and Open Space Management Review Report Number 438-2015, where there was agreement to introduce a programme of capital expenditure projects focused on environmental improvement. The proposed projects have been designed

to improve and enhance open spaces and cemeteries to make them safer and more attractive places to enjoy for residents across Dundee.

- 4.2 These projects have been developed in consultation with Community Officers and local groups as appropriate and will comprise a number of improvements across the City.

5. POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 This report has been subject to an Integrated Impact Assessment to identify impacts on Equality & Diversity, Fairness & Poverty, Environment and Corporate Risk. An impact, positive or negative, on one or more of these issues was identified. An appropriate senior manager has checked and agreed with this assessment. A copy of the Integrated Impact Assessment showing the impacts and accompanying benefits of/ mitigating factors for them is included as an Appendix to this report.

6. CONSULTATIONS

- 6.1 The Council Leadership Team have been consulted on the preparation of this report and agree with its contents.

7. BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 7.1 None.

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Tony Boyle
Head of Environment

25 October 2022

<u>CLIENT</u>	<u>NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES</u>	<u>NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES</u>																
PROJECT NUMBER	C220006 Nature Restoration Fund 2022/23 Phase 3: Amphibian ladders Common frogs and toad populations are in decline across the UK due to increased pressure from development and poor management of ponds. Both these amphibian species are listed as Priority Species in Dundee's Biodiversity Action Plan and toads are listed in the UK Biodiversity Action Plan. Gully Pot drains have been shown to have a huge effect on amphibian mortality when placed in areas that frogs and toads move through regularly. Using the Scottish Government Nature Restoration Fund, we will install 100 ladders within hotspot areas (Ballumbie and Claverhouse). These ladders have been trialled over a number of years and have been shown to aid up to 90% of trapped amphibians. Maryfield Biodiversity Corners Small scale new biodiversity improvements to existing greenspaces in Court Street including the creation of perennial wildflowers areas, planting fruit trees and biodiversity & wildlife attracting bulb areas. Preliminary ground works for perennial wildflowers to be completed by Environment Services; thereafter planting to be carried out by local residents and community.	C220012 Cemetery Infrastructure Various infrastructure improvement works at Balgay Cemetery and Eastern Cemetery <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Balgay Cemetery: Installation of new road kerb line - Eastern Cemetery: Creation of hardstanding outside material bays and surface improvements 																
ESTIMATED START DATE	November 2022	November 2022																
COMPLETION DATE	March 2023	March 2023																
TOTAL COST	£7,968	£49,440																
FUNDING SOURCE	Capital Plan 2022-27/Health, Care & Wellbeing/Parks & Open Spaces (Scottish Government – Nature Restoration Fund 2022/2023)	Capital Plan 2022-27/Service Provision /Cemetery Infrastructure																
BUDGET PROVISION & PHASING	2022/2023	2022/2023																
ADDITIONAL FUNDING	None	None																
REVENUE IMPLICATIONS	There are no major issues	There are no major issues																
POLICY IMPLICATIONS	None	None																
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	Neighbourhood Services Offer £4,968	Tayside Contracts Offer Direct Award N/A N/A £30,315	Neighbourhood Services Offer £4,725
RECOMMENDATION	Acceptance of offer	Acceptance of offer	
SUB-CONTRACTORS	None	None	
BACKGROUND PAPERS	None	None	

<u>CLIENT</u>	<u>NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES</u>	<u>NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES</u>
PROJECT NUMBER	C220013 Baxter Park Entrance Improvements Upgrading of shrub beds at Central West entrance to improve security and improve sight lines. Create new bulb planting areas and sustainable perennial planting at selected entrances. Tree planting at selected entrances and across the park.	C220014 Claypotts Curling Pond Boundary Improvement works to current boundary hedge and fence to improve aesthetics and allow easier access for maintenance purposes. In addition, installation of new path line and new litter bins. Additional tree planting to enhance the area and improve sightlines
ESTIMATED START DATE COMPLETION DATE	November 2022 March 2023	November 2022 March 2023
TOTAL COST	£50,000	£24,498
FUNDING SOURCE	Capital Plan 2022-27/Health, Care & Wellbeing/Parks & Open Spaces (Enhancement of Parks and Open Spaces)	Capital Plan 2022-27/Health, Care & Wellbeing/Parks & Open Spaces (Enhancement of Parks and Open Spaces)
BUDGET PROVISION & PHASING	2022/2023	2022/2023
ADDITIONAL FUNDING	None	None
REVENUE IMPLICATIONS	There are no major issues	There are no major issues
POLICY IMPLICATIONS	None	None
	Neighbourhood Services £50,000	Neighbourhood Services £24,498
RECOMMENDATION	Acceptance of offer	Acceptance of offer

SUB-CONTRACTORS	None	None
BACKGROUND PAPERS	None	None

<u>CLIENT</u>	<u>NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES</u>
PROJECT NUMBER	C220015 Grassy Beach Improvements Upgrade to seating area adjacent to carpark, remodel street furniture including new bins, benches and new concrete pads. Installation of glacial boulders, bulb and low level planting to improve aesthetics.
ESTIMATED START DATE COMPLETION DATE	November 2022 March 2023
TOTAL COST	£17,037
FUNDING SOURCE	Capital Plan 2022-27/Health, Care & Wellbeing/Parks & Open Spaces (Enhancement of Parks and Open Spaces)
BUDGET PROVISION & PHASING	2022/2023
ADDITIONAL FUNDING	None
REVENUE IMPLICATIONS	There are no major issues
POLICY IMPLICATIONS	None
TENDERS	Neighbourhood Services £17,037
RECOMMENDATION	Acceptance of offer
SUB-CONTRACTORS	None
BACKGROUND PAPERS	None

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Integrated Impact Assessment

Committee Report Number: 298-2022

Document Title: Environmental Improvement Works 2022

Document Type: Service

Description:

Report to gain approval for proposed Environmental Improvements; part of the 2022-23 capital programme

Intended Outcome:

Approval of report recommendations

Period Covered: 22/11/2022 to 01/03/2023

Monitoring:

Progress of individual projects will be reviewed and evaluated as part of the contract monitoring/ programme monitoring process

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Equality, Diversity and Human Rights

Impacts & Implications

Age: No Impact

Disability: No Impact

Gender Reassignment: No Impact

Marriage & Civil Partnership: No Impact

Pregnancy & Maternity: No Impact

Race / Ethnicity: No Impact

Religion or Belief: No Impact

Sex: No Impact

Sexual Orientation: No Impact

Are any Human Rights not covered by the Equalities questions above impacted by this report?

No

Fairness & Poverty

Geographic Impacts & Implications

Strathmartine: Positive

Lochee: Not Known

Coldside: Not Known

Maryfield: Positive

North East: Positive

East End: Not Known

The Ferry: Positive

West End: Positive

Positive Implications (Strathmartine): The proposed improvements will have a positive impact on the wards they are located in.

Positive Implications (Maryfield): The proposed improvements will have a positive impact on the wards they are located in.

Positive Implications (North East / Whitfield): The proposed improvements will have a positive impact on the wards they are located in.

Positive Implications (The Ferry): The proposed improvements will have a positive impact on the wards they are located in.

Positive Implications (West End): The proposed improvements will have a positive impact on the wards they are located in.

Household Group Impacts and Implications

Looked After Children & Care Leavers: No Impact

Carers: No Impact

Lone Parent Families: No Impact

Single Female Households with Children: No Impact

Greater number of children and/or young children: No Impact

Pensioners - single / couple: No Impact

Unskilled workers or unemployed: No Impact

Serious & enduring mental health problems: No Impact

Homeless: No Impact

Drug and/or alcohol problems: No Impact

Offenders & Ex-offenders: No Impact

Socio Economic Disadvantage Impacts & Implications

Employment Status: No Impact

Education & Skills: No Impact

Income: No Impact

Caring Responsibilities (including Childcare): No Impact

Affordability and accessibility of services: No Impact

Fuel Poverty: No Impact

Cost of Living / Poverty Premium: No Impact

Connectivity / Internet Access: No Impact

Income / Benefit Advice / Income Maximisation: No Impact

Employment Opportunities: No Impact

Education: No Impact

Health: Not Known

N/A

Life Expectancy: Not Known

N/A

Mental Health: Not Known

N/A

Overweight / Obesity: Not Known

N/A

Child Health: Not Known

N/A

Neighbourhood Satisfaction: Positive

It is hoped that proposed improvements within the various wards will increase neighbourhood satisfaction

Transport: Not Known

N/A

Environment

Climate Change Impacts

Mitigating Greenhouse Gases: Not Known

N/A

Adapting to the effects of climate change: Not Known

N/A

Resource Use Impacts

Energy efficiency & consumption: Not Known

N/A

Prevention, reduction, re-use, recovery or recycling of waste: Not Known

N/A

Sustainable Procurement: Not Known

N/A

Transport Impacts

Accessible transport provision: Not Known

N/A

Sustainable modes of transport: Not Known

N/A

Natural Environment Impacts

Air, land & water quality: Positive

Proposed projects will enhance Dundee's parks, open spaces and cemeteries for the public to enjoy

Biodiversity: Positive

The proposed Nature Restoration Fund Projects will increase Dundee's biodiversity offering

Open & green spaces: Positive

Proposed projects will enhance Dundee's parks, open spaces and cemeteries for the public to enjoy

Built Environment Impacts

Built Heritage: Not Known

N/A

Housing: Not Known

N/A

Is the proposal subject to a Strategic

Environmental Assessment (SEA)?

No further action is required as it does not qualify as a Plan, Programme or Strategy as defined by the Environment Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005.

Corporate Risk

Corporate Risk Impacts

Political Reputational Risk: No Impact

Economic/Financial Sustainability / Security & Equipment: No Impact

Social Impact / Safety of Staff & Clients: No Impact

Technological / Business or Service Interruption: No Impact

Environmental: No Impact

Legal / Statutory Obligations: No Impact

Organisational / Staffing & Competence: No Impact

Corporate Risk Implications & Mitigation:

The risk implications associated with the subject matter of this report are "business as normal" risks and any increase to the level of risk to the Council

is minimal. This is due either to the risk being inherently low or as a result of the risk being transferred in full or in part to another party on a fair and

equitable basis. The subject matter is routine and has happened many times before without significant impact.

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