

ITEM No ...6.....

REPORT TO: NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES COMMITTEE – 26 SEPTEMBER 2022

REPORT ON: ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENTS WORKS 2022

REPORT BY: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES

REPORT NO. 252-2022

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. C220004 Spend to Save: Phase 4	P&G Blacksmiths Neighbourhood Services	£29,700	£2,300	£32,000
Project No.C220005 Play Area Improvements: Phase 2 - Play Gate Replacement - various	P&G Blacksmiths Neighbourhood Services	£34,200	£1,800	£36,000
Project No.C220006 Nature Restoration Fund 2022/23 works: Phase 1	Neighbourhood Services	£21,828	£680	£22,508
Project No.C220007 Caird Park Infrastructure: Phase 1	P&G Blacksmiths Neighbourhood Services	£19,360	£938	£20,298

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 the play provision for residents across Dundee and to introduce a programme of capital expenditure projects focused on environmental improvements. The proposed projects have been designed to improve and enhance open spaces 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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Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services

Tony Boyle
Head of Environment

22nd August 2022

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PROJECT NUMBER	C220004 Spend to Save: Phase 4 Following internal and external Green Flag assessments, areas of improvement have been identified to enhance our parks and green spaces to make them safer, more attractive places to enjoy. Proposed works include infrastructure improvements, i.e. path works, fencing works, signage and new planting. Upon completion of works, the following areas will be enhanced: - Birkhill Cemetery: Creating further drainage at southern end of southern carpark to alleviate flooding, concrete pads beneath benches installation, tree planting, bollard installation, continuation of western road and topping up car parks.	C220005 Play Area Improvements: Phase 2 Improve and replace gates within play areas across the city with soft closing alternative. Phase 2 will comprise of Roseangle, Baxter Park and Dudhope Park Play Areas.																								
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Integrated Impact Assessment

Committee Report Number: 252-2022

Document Title: Environmental Improvement Works 2022

Document Type: Service

Description:

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

Intended Outcome:

Approval of report recommendations

Period Covered: 30/09/2022 to 31/03/2023

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: Positive

Improvements to play areas will have a positive impact on children.

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: Positive

Maryfield: Positive

North East: Not Known

East End: Not Known

The Ferry: Not Known

West End: Positive

Positive Implications

(Strathmartine):

The proposed improvements will have a positive impact on the wards they are located in. Impact on the rest of the city is unknown.

Positive Implications (Coldside):

The proposed improvements will have a positive impact on the wards they are located in. Impact on the rest of the city is unknown.

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

Impact on the rest of the city

is unknown.

Positive Implications (West

End):

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Household Group Impacts and Implications

Looked After Children & Care Leavers: Not Known

N/A

Carers: Not Known

N/A

Lone Parent Families: Not Known

N/A

Single Female Households with Children: Not Known

N/A

Greater number of children and/or young children: Not Known

N/A

Pensioners - single / couple: Not Known

N/A

Unskilled workers or unemployed: Not Known

N/A

Serious & enduring mental health problems: Not Known

N/A

Homeless: Not Known

N/A

Drug and/or alcohol problems: Not Known

N/A

Offenders & Ex-offenders: Not Known

N/A

Socio Economic Disadvantage Impacts & Implications

Employment Status: Not Known

N/A

Education & Skills: Not Known

N/A

Income: Not Known

N/A

Caring Responsibilities (including Childcare): Not Known

N/A

Affordability and accessibility of services: Not Known

N/A

Fuel Poverty: Not Known

N/A

Socio Economic Disadvantage Impacts & Implications

Cost of Living / Poverty Premium: Not Known

N/A

Connectivity / Internet Access: Not Known

N/A

Income / Benefit Advice / Income MaximisationNot Known

N/A

Employment Opportunities: Not Known

N/A

Education: Not Known

N/A

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

The proposed improvements should increase neighbourhood satisfaction within the wards they are located in. Impact on the rest of the city is unknown.

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 our parks and open spaces 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 our parks and open spaces 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.

