

**ITEM No ...5.....**

**REPORT TO: NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES COMMITTEE – 22 NOVEMBER 2021**

**REPORT ON: ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENTS 2021/2022**

**REPORT BY: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES**

**REPORT NO. 309-2021**

**1. PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.1 To gain Committee approval for further Environmental Improvements as part of the 2021/22 programme.

**2. RECOMMENDATIONS**

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

<b>Project Reference and Project Description</b>	<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Fees</b>	<b>Total Amount</b>
Project No. C210021 Spend to Save: Phase 3 - various	Neighbourhood Services	£126,606	£18,990	£145,596
Project No. C210025 Gillies Park Play Area Improvements	Wicksteed Leisure Ltd.	£98,543	N/A	£98,543
Project No. C210035 Camperdown Park Improvements: Phase 1	Neighbourhood Services	£72,613	£10,891	£83,504

**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 2021-2026 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 assessment of any impacts on Equality & Diversity, Fairness & Poverty, Environment and Corporate Risk. A copy of the Impact Assessment is available on the Council's website at [www.dundee.gov.uk/ia/reports](http://www.dundee.gov.uk/ia/reports).

**6. CONSULTATIONS**

6.1 The Council Management Team have been consulted in the preparation of this report and are in agreement with its contents.

**7. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

7.1 None.

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**Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services**

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**Head of Environment**

28th October 2021

<u>CLIENT</u>	<u>NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES</u>	<u>NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES</u>
PROJECT NUMBER	NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES C210025 <b>Play Area Improvements</b>  <b>Gillies Park</b>  Supply and installation of new play area and associated hard and soft landscape works. The proposed play area shall have a wide sphere of influence and incorporate elements catering for a wide range of ages and abilities. Of importance is the provision of DDA compliant paths and inclusive play equipment, including basket swing and agility trail encouraging physical activity, exploration and mental stimulation. Also included is a wheelchair accessible footpath off the main footpath allowing easy access from the car park to the play area. Grass mounds and shrub/sensory wildflower planting have been incorporated into the design to add interest and provide further opportunity to enjoy nature.	NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES C210021 <b>Spend to Save: Phase 3</b>  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: - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Clatto Country park:</b> Installation of signage at key points, infrastructure improvements to paths, including path to Adam Duncan woods, upgrading of bridge and renewal of benches and BBQs. Upgrading of life saving equipment.</li> <li>• <b>Drumgeith Park:</b> Additional tree planting and installation of concrete pads and benches.</li> <li>• <b>Downfield Park:</b> New tree planting within naturalised areas and replacement/ installation of new litter /dog bins.</li> <li>• <b>Magdalen Green:</b> Renewal of shrub areas to improve sightlines, installation of new litter /dog bins, new benches and BBQ plates/ stands.</li> <li>• <b>Howff:</b> Installation of new Management Rules signage, new benches, upgrading of beds at west cemetery wall and creating of new hard standing cobbled area.</li> <li>• <b>Dudhope Park:</b> Installation of new signage at key points, new seating and litter/ dog bins. Installation of new picnic tables (including wheelchair accessible table) and litter bins. Fencing and steps upgrade.</li> <li>• <b>Finlathen Park:</b> Installation of new signage at key entry points, steps upgrade and renewal of seating at Skate park, including picnic tables. Improvements to existing landscaped area.</li> <li>• <b>Hilltown Park:</b> Installation of signage at key entry points and tree works. Remodelling of existing hard landscaping, incorporating existing columns, pergola and trip rail.</li> <li>• <b>Birkhill Cemetery:</b> Renewal and upgrading of existing Baby/ Children's area and Woodland Memorial Area.</li> <li>• <b>Templeton Woods:</b> Installation of new benches with concrete pads and replacement/ new litter bins.</li> </ul>
ESTIMATED START DATE COMPLETION DATE	November 2021 March 2022	November 2021 March 2022
TOTAL COST	£98,543	£145,596

FUNDING SOURCE	Capital Plan 2021-26/Health, Care & Wellbeing/Parks & Open Spaces (Play Framework Improvements)	Capital Plan 2021-26/Health, Care & Wellbeing/Parks & Open Spaces (Spend to Save)												
BUDGET PROVISION & PHASING	2021/2022 £24,636 2022/2023 £73,907	2021/2022 £145,596												
ADDITIONAL FUNDING	None	None												
REVENUE IMPLICATIONS	There are no major issues	There are no major issues												
POLICY IMPLICATIONS	None	None												
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Offer			£98,543											
RECOMMENDATION	Acceptance of offer	Acceptance of offer												
SUB-CONTRACTORS	None	None												
BACKGROUND PAPERS	None	None												

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PROJECT NUMBER	<p>NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES C210035 <b>Camperdown Park Improvements: Phase 1</b></p> <p>Following a review of the original Development plan (2012-2017), a refreshed Development plan is currently being prepared for Camperdown Park which will be reported to Committee in due course with a phased plan of works. A number of initial priority works are required in and around the Play Area to address health and safety issues, visual impact and to meet optimum planting timescales. These works will be incorporated within the refreshed Development plan.</p>

	<p><i>Hard landscaping</i></p> <p>Upgrading of bollards, brick paving and both gazebos, renewal of railings and stone benches. Upgrading of former Fountain area, including replacement of loose coping stones.</p> <p><i>Soft landscaping</i></p> <p>Creation of new planting areas at :-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Play car park area –sustainable herbaceous ground cover to assist with draining surrounding parking bays.</li> <li>• Sensory trail at play area.</li> <li>• Former Fountain area.</li> <li>• Surrounding Mansion House.</li> <li>• All entrances.</li> </ul>
ESTIMATED START DATE	December 2021
COMPLETION DATE	March 2022
TOTAL COST	£83,504
FUNDING SOURCE	Capital Plan 2021-26/Health, Care & Wellbeing/Parks & Open Spaces (Camperdown Development Plan)
BUDGET PROVISION & PHASING	2021/2022 £83,504
ADDITIONAL FUNDING	None
REVENUE IMPLICATIONS	There are no major issues
POLICY IMPLICATIONS	None
TENDERS	Neighbourhood Services: £83,504
RECOMMENDATION	Acceptance of offer
SUB-CONTRACTORS	None
BACKGROUND PAPERS	None

