

REPORT TO: ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE - 29th OCTOBER 2012

REPORT ON: THE SUPPLY AND ERECTION OF SECURITY FENCING ON DUNDEE LAW ALLOTMENTS

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENT

REPORT NO: 408-2012

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To seek approval for the supply and erection of security fencing at West Law Allotments.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 It is recommended that committee agree the proposed improvements and instruct the Director of Environment to undertake these works.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The Director of Corporate Services advises that the costs of £31,800 can be met from allowances within the Environment department's capital budget for 2012/13.

4.0 BACKGROUND

4.1 Reference is made to the Environment Committee of 9 January 2012 when approval was given to undertake the supply and erection of security fencing at West Law and Stirling Park Allotments.

4.2 Over recent years there have been a number of incidents, including break-ins and of willful fire raising in the West Law Allotments, with the Police and Tayside Fire and Rescue being called out on a number of occasions.

4.3 Following consultation with Dundee Federation of Allotment Garden Association and West Law Allotment Association it is now proposed to replace the remaining existing chain link fence with 1.8m palisade fencing. This work will complete the secure perimeter fencing to West Law.

4.4 The future maintenance of the fencing will be included within the Allotment Associations' Leases, reducing the future revenue implications for the department.

4.5 The cost of undertaking these works will be £31,800 and will be undertaken by the Environment department. Funding will be met within the Environment department's capital budget 2012/13.

5.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

5.1 The report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of sustainability, Strategic Environment Assessment, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management. No major indicators have been identified.

6.0 CONSULTATION

6.1 The Chief Executive, Director of Corporate Services and the Head of Democratic and Legal Services have been consulted on this report.

7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 None.

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