

ITEM No ...3.....

REPORT TO: NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES COMMITTEE – 9 JANUARY 2023
REPORT ON: ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT WORKS 2022/23 and 2023/24
REPORT BY: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES
REPORT NO. 8-2023

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To gain Committee approval for further Environmental Improvements as part of the 2022/23 and 2023/24 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. C220025 Cemetery Infrastructure	P&G Blacksmiths	£28,605	£0	£28,605
Project No. C220024 Riverside Nature Park Signage	DCC Design Services (Prime Signs)	£11,988	£1,199	£13,187
Project No. C220026 Caird Park Infrastructure: Phase 2	Neighbourhood Services P&G Blacksmiths	£31,333	£1,182	£32,515
Project No. C220016 Pocket Parks: Moncur Crescent and Lorimer Street	Neighbourhood Services P&G Blacksmiths	£34,185	£3,419	£37,604

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 2023-2028 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.

Elaine Zwirlein
Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services

Tony Boyle
Head of Environment

30 November 2022

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PROJECT NUMBER	C220025 Cemetery Infrastructure Installation of materials bays and palisade fencing/gates at Barnhill Cemetery	C220024 Riverside Nature Park Signage The new interpretation signs will replace the old signs installed in 2011 when the park opened at the path entrances to the park, and at features around the park. The new signs will reuse the old steel lecterns which are in good condition. New information will include improved wildlife facts, new photos and an updated map with the new Local Nature Reserve Boundary. Content and materials for the signs has been agreed with the Friends of Riverside Nature Park.																								
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Integrated Impact Assessment

Committee Report Number: 8-2023

Document Title: ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT WORKS 2022/23 and 2023/24

Document Type: Service

Description:

Report to gain committee approval for proposed Environmental Improvements; part of the 2022/23 and 2023/24 capital programme

Intended Outcome:

Approval of report recommendations

Period Covered: 10/01/2023 to 30/06/2023

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: Positive

Maryfield: Not Known

North East: Not Known

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. Impact on the rest of the city

is unknown.

Positive Implications (Coldside):

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Positive Implications (The Ferry):

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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: Not Known
N/A
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
Improvements to Park and Open spaces could positively impact on residents and visitors health and well being
Life Expectancy: No Impact
Mental Health: Not Known
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Overweight / Obesity: Not Known
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Child Health: Not Known
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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: No Impact

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: No Impact

Housing: No Impact

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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