

WOLLATON EAST AND LENTON ABBEY AREA (7) COMMITTEE

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Title of paper:	Area Capital Fund	
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Relevant Council Plan Strategic Priority:		
World Class Nottingham		
Work in Nottingham		
Safer Nottingham		X
Neighbourhood Nottingham		X
Family Nottingham		
Healthy Nottingham		
Leading Nottingham		
Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/service users):		
<p>This report provides Councillors with the latest spend proposals under the Area Capital Fund including highways, footways and Nottingham City Homes environmental schemes.</p> <p>This report also informs the Committee of the schemes initially requested by residents of Nottingham City Homes properties and residents living within the environment of Nottingham City Homes properties to provide extra security, safety and well being to the residents of Wollaton East and Lenton Abbey Ward.</p> <p>Schemes approved by the Committee in relation to Housing schemes will be funded from the Housing Revenue Fund.</p>		

Recommendation(s):	
1	That the committee consider the schemes listed in Appendix 1, and decide which schemes to approve.
2	That the Area Capital Fund programme of schemes for Wollaton West and Wollaton East, as set out in Appendices 2 and 3.

1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Area Capital Programme was established to improve the environment of the neighbourhoods and to create a sense of place for residents in order to improve the quality of life of local people.

Since it was established in 2006 to meet the then corporate priority of “Transforming Neighbourhoods” the Area Capital Fund has included a total programme expenditure portfolio of £40 million. The improvements that have been carried out to date using this programmed have included footpath, fences, visual enhancements to public realm, refurbishment of parks and improvements to public buildings.

Resources are allocated from the Nottingham City Council general fund, the Local Transport Plan (LTP) and from the Housing revenue Account. To achieve a joint approach to environmental improvements in neighbourhoods, a greater degree of flexibility has been established to prioritise and deliver improvements so that there is a synergy in local solutions for local issues across neighbourhoods.

The main contributors to the Area Capital Programme, LTP, public sector housing and the general fund recognise the importance of a co-ordinated approach in delivering transformation of neighbourhoods. The Area Committees have played a vital role in approving priorities that have arisen via a range of consultation and engagement mechanisms.

Evaluation of the programme has demonstrated that environmental improvements make a considerable contribution to the Council’s commitment to the involvement of local people shaping their neighbourhoods.

- 1.2 In relation to the Nottingham City Homes Environmental schemes - a sum of £17,038.00 for the Wollaton East and Lenton Abbey Ward has been set aside for the housing environmental improvements for the 2011/2012. A sum of £5,414 has been set aside for Wollaton West. No schemes have been submitted in this report for Wollaton West but schemes under consideration are:

- Gates to be fitted at Larchdene Avenue
- Potential additional lighting in the car park of Capitol Court

1.3 The proposed schemes must fit at least one of the following criteria:

- Improvement of Security for Tenants and Leaseholders (e.g. door entry, lighting, fencing, garage sites).
- Improvement of the environment for Tenants and Leaseholders (e.g. dealing with graffiti reducing anti-social behaviour, parking issues, drying areas resurfacing).
- Improvement of spaces for Tenants and Leaseholders (e.g. installation of community facilities or areas on land under NCH management).

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)

2.1 The Nottingham LTP 2011-2026 maintains a commitment to deliver local transport improvements across Nottingham's Neighbourhoods and prioritises small scale transport improvements of importance to local communities

As part of the budget process Nottingham City Council approved in March 2011 an LTP capital allocation of £2.5 million citywide between 2011-2013.

To give opportunity for the Area Committee to make comment on suggested schemes and their progress .

2.2 Suggestions for Nottingham City Homes schemes may be from a number of sources including tenants & leaseholders, tenants and residents groups, Elected Members, Local Area Group meetings, Ward Walks, Area 7 Panel, Housing Patch Managers and Neighbourhood Action Officers.

3. OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

A number of schemes have been submitted but if the available Housing Environmental funding does not cover all of the proposals, those remaining can be submitted to the Committee for consideration in 2012-13 if further funding is made available.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (INCLUDING VALUE FOR MONEY)

4.1 Bringing together the various strands which form part of the Area Capital Programme enables the City Council to respond efficiently in delivering on public realm improvements as identified by local people

4.2 Nottingham City Homes has provided quotations for the proposed works via an agreed competitive tendering process.

4.3 Once a City wide programme is agreed, works will be carried out by approved contractors it is anticipated that further savings may be found. It is anticipated that more schemes may be completed as a result of these savings.

5. **RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES (INCLUDING LEGAL IMPLICATIONS, CRIME AND DISORDER ACT IMPLICATIONS AND EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS)**

- 5.1 A risk register has been produced which is regularly monitored.
- 5.2 To ensure local development in decision-making the Area Panel and Local Area Groups have been actively involved in the process. Local tenant and resident groups have also been consulted however due to recent changes in Ward Members, not all consultation has been completed but is on-going.
- 5.3 The Housing Environment Fund will enable a series of improvements to take place that will improve security, spaces and the environment for local people.
- 5.4 The funds available are limited and are targeted at the most vulnerable tenants in the area within the criteria set out at section 1.2 of this report.

6. **EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENTS (EIAs)**

As this report does not include proposals for new or changing policies, or services an Equality Impact Assessment has not been carried out. However these proposals aim to improve the quality of life and wellbeing for residents.

7. **LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS OTHER THAN PUBLISHED WORKS OR THOSE DISCLOSING CONFIDENTIAL OR EXEMPT INFORMATION**

Area 7 Panel minutes dated 25th October 2011.

8. **PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT**

Executive Board Report "Area Capital Resource Allocation for 2011-13" dated 19th July 2011.

APPENDIX 1

ENVIRONMENTALS PROGRAMME 2011-12 – PROPOSED SCHEMES

WOLLATON EAST AND LENTON ABBEY WARD

Site	Proposal	Assessment	Proposed Decision	Budget
Side of 1 Aston Avenue, Lenton Abbey, NG9 2SS.	Fit gate with lock on alleyway.	Scheme will help to prevent fly tipping and unauthorised access for anyone who will use the area for anti-social activity. All properties who have use of this access will have a key for the gate.	Agree	£750.00
Between 29 and 31 Aston Avenue, Lenton Abbey, NG9 2SS.	Fit gate with lock on alleyway.	Scheme will help to prevent fly tipping and unauthorised access for anyone who will use the area for anti-social activity. All properties who have use of this access will have a key for the gate.	Agree	£750.00
Side of 1 Romilay Close and 7 Aston Avenue, Lenton Abbey, NG9.	Fit gate with lock on alleyway and erect fence.	Scheme will help to prevent fly tipping and unauthorised access for anyone who will use the area for anti-social activity. All properties who have use of this access will have a key for the gate.	Agree	£931.60
Between 10 and 11 Romilay Close, Lenton Abbey, NG9 2ST.	Fit gate with lock on alleyway.	Scheme will help to prevent fly tipping and unauthorised access for anyone who will use the area for anti-social activity. All properties who have use of this access will have a key for the gate.	Agree	£750.00

Between 14 and 15 Romilay Close, Lenton Abbey, NG9 2ST.	Fit gate with lock on alleyway and erect fence.	Scheme will help to prevent fly tipping and unauthorised access for anyone who will use the area for anti-social activity. All properties who have use of this access will have a key for the gate.	Agree	£908.00
Between 24 Romilay Close and 9 Aston Avenue, Lenton Abbey, NG9.	Fit gate with lock on alleyway.	Scheme will help to prevent fly tipping and unauthorised access for anyone who will use the area for anti-social activity. All properties who have use of this access will have a key for the gate.	Agree	£750.00
Between 28 and 30 Olton Avenue, Lenton Abbey, NG9 2SQ.	Fit gate with lock on alleyway.	Scheme will help to prevent fly tipping and unauthorised access for anyone who will use the area for anti-social activity. All properties who have use of this access will have a key for the gate.	Agree	£750.00
Between 27 and 29 Olton Avenue, Lenton Abbey, NG9 2SP.	Fit gate with lock on alleyway.	Scheme will help to prevent fly tipping and unauthorised access for anyone who will use the area for anti-social activity. All properties who have use of this access will have a key for the gate.	Agree	£750.00
Side of 1 Olton Avenue, Lenton Abbey, NG9 2SP.	Fit gate with lock on alleyway.	Scheme will help to prevent fly tipping and unauthorised access for anyone who will use the area for anti-social activity. All properties who have use of this access will have a key for the gate.	Agree	£750.00

Between 11 and 13 Olton Avenue, Lenton Abbey, NG9 2SP.	Fit gate with lock on alleyway.	Scheme will help to prevent fly tipping and unauthorised access for anyone who will use the area for anti-social activity. All properties who have use of this access will have a key for the gate.	Agree	£750.00
Between 39 and 41 Olton Avenue, Lenton Abbey, NG9 2SP.	Fit gate with lock on alleyway.	Scheme will help to prevent fly tipping and unauthorised access for anyone who will use the area for anti-social activity. All properties who have use of this access will have a key for the gate.	Agree	£750.00
Between 64 and 66 Olton Avenue, Lenton Abbey, NG9 2SQ.	Fit gate with lock on alleyway.	Scheme will help to prevent fly tipping and unauthorised access for anyone who will use the area for anti-social activity. All properties who have use of this access will have a key for the gate.	Agree	£750.00
Side of 2 Aston Avenue, Lenton Abbey, NG9 2SS.	Fit double gate with lock on alleyway behind Woodside Road shops.	Scheme will help to prevent fly tipping and unauthorised access for anyone who will use the area for anti-social activity. Some extra work needs to be done to support a path next to this alleyway which belongs to a private property. Housing Patch Manager waiting for a quote on how much this will cost to get done.	Agree in principle	£3,582.25
Side of 1 Winster Close, Lenton Abbey, NG9 2SE.	Fit gate with lock on alleyway and erect fence.	Scheme will help to prevent fly tipping and unauthorised access for anyone who will use the area for anti-social activity. All properties who have use of this access will have a key for the gate.	Agree	£1,778.75

Between 8 and 9 Winster Close, Lenton Abbey, NG9 2SQ.	Fit gate with lock on alleyway.	Scheme will help to prevent fly tipping and unauthorised access for anyone who will use the area for anti-social activity. All properties who have use of this access will have a key for the gate.	Agree	£750.00
Between 8 and 10 Audley Drive, Lenton Abbey, NG9 2SF.	Fit gate with lock on alleyway.	Scheme will help to prevent fly tipping and unauthorised access for anyone who will use the area for anti-social activity. All properties who have use of this access will have a key for the gate.	Agree	£750.00
Between 36 and 38 Audley Drive, Lenton Abbey, NG9 2SF.	Fit gate with lock on alleyway and erect fence.	Scheme will help to prevent fly tipping and unauthorised access for anyone who will use the area for anti-social activity. All properties who have use of this access will have a key for the gate.	Agree	£1,124.00
Between 48 and 50 Audley Drive, Lenton Abbey, NG9 2SF.	Fit gate with lock on alleyway.	Scheme will help to prevent fly tipping and unauthorised access for anyone who will use the area for anti-social activity. All properties who have use of this access will have a key for the gate.	Agree	£750.00
Between 20 and 22 Wensor Avenue, Lenton Abbey, NG9 2HT.	Fit gate with lock on alleyway and erect fence.	Scheme will help to prevent fly tipping and unauthorised access for anyone who will use the area for anti-social activity. All properties who have use of this access will have a key for the gate.	Agree	£3,028.00
Side of 1 Anslow Avenue, Lenton Abbey, NG9 2SW.	Fit gate with lock on alleyway and erect fence.	Scheme will help to prevent fly tipping and unauthorised access for anyone who will use the area for anti-social activity. All properties who have use of this access will have a key for the gate.	Agree	£1,559.00

Between 16 and 18 Austrey Avenue, Lenton Abbey, NG9 2SX.	Fit gate with lock on alleyway and erect fence.	Scheme will help to prevent fly tipping and unauthorised access for anyone who will use the area for anti-social activity. All properties who have use of this access will have a key for the gate.	Agree	£1,154.50
Total (ex VAT)			£12,921.85	

Wollaton East and Lenton Abbey Highway Services schemes

APPENDIX 2

Location	Type	Prioritised / Agreed	Estimate	Estimated start date	Completed	Details
Lawley Avenue	Reconstruct	Prioritised 09/10/11	£8,000			
Charles Avenue Lawley Avenue side only	Reconstruct	Agreed November 2011	£30,000			

Total Highway Services priorities

£38,000

Wollaton East and Lenton Abbey Traffic Management schemes

Location	Type	Prioritised / Agreed	Estimate	Estimated start date	Completed	Details
Dorket Drive area	Pedestrian dropped crossings	Agreed November 2011	£6,000			5 pairs of pedestrian crossings in the Dorket Drive area

Total Traffic Management priorities

£6,000

Wollaton West Area Capital Decommittments

Location	Type	Reason	Amount	Details

Total Decommittment

£0

Prioritised Highway Services schemes
 Prioritised Traffic Management
 Total LTP approvals

£38,000
 £6,000
 £44,000

Total 2011-2013 LTP allocation
 Balance carried over from 2010-2011
 Decommittment funds
 Less Total LTP approvals
 Remaining LTP balance

£67,544
 £0
 £0
 £44,000
 £23,544

