

BASFORD AND BESTWOOD AREA COMMITTEE - 3 September 2014

Title	AREA CAPITAL FUND 2013/15 AND NOTTINGHAM CITY HOMES ENVIRONMENTAL SCHEMES – Q1 April-June 2014	
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Relevant Council Plan Strategic Priority:

Cutting unemployment by a quarter	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cut crime and anti-social behaviour	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Ensure more school leavers get a job, training or further education than any other City	<input type="checkbox"/>
Your neighbourhood as clean as the City Centre	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Help keep your energy bills down	<input type="checkbox"/>
Good access to public transport	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nottingham has a good mix of housing	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nottingham is a good place to do business, invest and create jobs	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Nottingham offers a wide range of leisure activities, parks and sporting events	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Support early intervention activities	<input type="checkbox"/>
Deliver effective, value for money services to our citizens	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Summary of issue

To provide an update on spend under the Area Capital Fund and Nottingham City Homes (NCH) Environmental fund, including highways and footways.

Recommendation

That the Committee:

- (a) note the area capital and NCH environmental monies available to Basford and Bestwood wards, as outlined in appendices 1 and 2 respectively;
- (b) approve the committed area capital and NCH environmental schemes for Basford and Bestwood wards, as detailed in appendices 1 and 2 respectively.

1. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.1 The Nottingham Local Transport Plan (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.
- 1.2 As part of the budget process, Nottingham City Council approved, in March 2013, an LTP capital allocation of £2.5 million citywide during 2013-2015.
- 1.3 To give opportunity for the Area Committee to make comment on suggested schemes and their progress.

2. BACKGROUND (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)

- 2.1 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 programme, have included footpaths, fences, visual enhancements to public realm, refurbishment of parks and improvements to public buildings.
- 2.2 Resources are allocated from the Nottingham City Council general fund, the LTP and 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.
- 2.3 The programme of works is a rolling programme. There have been instances where schemes are started, with strong community involvement and interest, only to be altered at a later stage due to changing circumstances, such as economic conditions and changes in land values.
- 2.4 The Area Committee, particularly community representatives, are invited to comment specifically on those schemes identified in the proposals column and also to consider whether certain schemes can be linked to other programmes of work in order to generate best value and create a greater impact on the local area.

3. OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 None

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (INCLUDING VALUE FOR MONEY/VAT)

- 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 identified by local people.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES (INCLUDING LEGAL IMPLICATIONS AND CRIME AND DISORDER ACT IMPLICATIONS)

- 5.1 A risk register has been produced which is regularly monitored.

6. EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

6.1 Not required as decision does not contain new or changing policies.

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

7.1 Highways Framework Agreement.

8. PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT

8.1 Executive Board: 'Area Capital Resource Allocations 2011-2013' - 19 July 2011;

8.2 Executive Board: 'Treasury Management Strategy 2014-15' – 25 February 2014;

Basford Ward ACF schemes

Location	Type	Prioritised / Approved	Estimate	Details
Heathfield Road	Survey	Prioritised August 2014	£600	Questionnaire parking survey for Heathfield Road
Basford TRO	TRO	Approved May 2014	£3,000	Contribution to Basford Ward junction protection TRO additional locations
Acton Avenue	Disabled bay	Approved February 2014	£1,500	Installation of disabled parking bay on Acton Avenue
Saxondale Drive	Footpaths	Approved February 2014	£80,640	Full reconstruct of footpaths Saxondale Dv (Kersall Dv - Brooklyn Rd) RH side
Bagnall Road	Feasibility	Approved February 2014	£2,000	For improvements to the shop forecourt area on Bagnall Road
Vernon Road	Zig-zags	Approved February 2014	£1,925	Review of zig-zag markings at puffin crossing, Vernon Road near Bulwell Lane
Vernon Rd/Nottingham Rd	Feasibility	Approved February 2014	£2,000	Traffic and safety feasibility study around crossings
Basford Road	Zebrites	Approved February 2014	£5,000	Funding for Zebrites on Basford Road crossing near Hayling Drive
Bagnall Road	Zebrites	Approved February 2014	£5,000	Funding for Zebrites on Bagnall Road crossing near Neston Drive
Church Street Bridge	Reflectors	Approved February 2014	£1,000	Fit reflectors to temp wooden barriers on bridge to improve visibility at night
Cinderhill Rd/Odesa Drive	Zebrites	Approved Nov 2013	£3,750	Funding for Zebrites on Basford section of crossing falling across two wards
Vernon Avenue	Speed Surveys	Approved Nov 2013	£500	Speed surveys
Basford	TRO	Approved Sept 2013	£6,000	Junction protection at multiple locations in the ward. Locations to be confirmed

Total LTP schemes***£112,915**

Location	Type	Prioritised / Approved	Estimate	Details
River Leen Cycle/Footpath	Fencing	Approved May 2014	£10,000	Contribution: new fencing as part of Cycle and Pedestrian path improvements
Selwyn Court - Phase 1	Improvement	Approved Nov 2013	£24,000	Groundworks: to include landscaping, parking, fencing, space for communal use

Total Public Realm schemes****£34,000**

Location	Type	Reason	Amount	Details
Mill Street / Firecrest	Lining	Funding not required	£225	Scheme not progressed
Previously decommitted			£1,319	

Total Decommited*****£1,544**

2013-2015 LTP allocation	£132,000
LTP carried forward from 2011-2013	0
2013 - 2014 Public Realm allocation	£39,600
Public Realm carried forward	£24,435
2014 - 2015 Public Realm allocation	£39,600
Total Available 2013 - 2015 ACF	£235,635
*Less LTP schemes	- £112,915
**Less Public Realm schemes	- £34,000
***Decommited funds	+ £1,544
Remaining available balance	£90,264
LTP element remaining	£19,310
Public Realm element remaining	£70,954

Bestwood Ward ACF schemes

Location	Type	Prioritised / Approved	Estimate	Details
Beckhampton Road	Contribution	Prioritised 29 July 2014	£30,000	Joint funded scheme with NCH to develop housing amenity land into parking provision
Bestwood Ward streets	Name plates	Prioritised 29 July 2014	£1,635	Replace plates at Birkdale Way, Penllech Cl, Gainsford Cres, Terton Rd
Arnold Rd / Hucknall Rd	Signage	Prioritised 29 July 2014	£1,000	Direction signs to Leen Valley Community Centre
Bestwood place signs	Signage	Approved May 2014	£10,000	Supply and installation of three place signs at various locations across the ward.
Beckhampton Road	Contribution	Approved Sept 2013	£100,000	Contribution to Road Safety improvement scheme on Beckhampton Road
Beckhampton Road	Feasibility Study	Approved May 2013	£1,500	Traffic calming and TRO around schools on Beckhampton Road.

Total LTP schemes* **£144,135**

Location	Type	Prioritised / Approved	Estimate	Details
Raymede Drive	Area improvement	Approved Nov 2013	£47,400	Contribution to public realm improvement scheme in partnership with NCH

Total Public Realm schemes** **£47,400**

Location	Type	Reason	Amount	Detail
Colmon Close	Parking Scheme	Underspend	£300	Underspend identified on parking scheme for 2011-13

Total Decommited*** **£300**

2013-2015 LTP allocation	£158,000
LTP carried forward from 2011-2013	£24,962
2013 - 2014 Public Realm allocation	£47,400
Public Realm carried forward	£0
2014 - 2015 Public Realm allocation	£47,400
Total Available 2013 - 2015 ACF	£277,762
*Less LTP schemes	- £144,135
**Less Public Realm schemes	- £47,400
***Decommited funds	+ £300
Remaining available balance	£86,527
LTP element remaining	£39,127
Public Realm element remaining	£47,400

Nottingham City Homes Environmental Schemes – Basford / Bestwood Wards

Area	Ward	Actual Budget (including carry fwd from 2013/14)	Schemes approved	Schemes Committed	Remaining Budget
Area 2	Bestwood	74,646.47			74,646.47 <u>35,814.91</u> 38,831.56

Bestwood Ward environmental: Approved locally, awaiting approval at Area Committee

Address	Reason for request		Cost	Status
Beckhampton Road next to 237-261	Beckhampton Road Safety Scheme – match-funding contribution of £30,000 to develop a piece of NCH amenity land (next to 237-261 Beckhampton Road). A £30,000 contribution is being made from Area Capital.	Christina Haywood	30,000.00	Approved locally
Gainsford Crescent Opposite 198	Supply and install 2.No 450mm diameter tree logs 2.4m long and 2 No. boulders approx. 1000kg each including transportation and securing.	Lee Barrowcliffe	1,031.15	Approved locally
Stoneacre: 56-58, 60-70, 52-54, 48-50, 40-46	Erect metal gates to blocks and issue keys	Corenna Shelukindo	4,783.76	Approved locally
Whitton Close	Triangled area approximately outside number 7 supply and place bollards to prevent cars parking on grasses area	Dave Barnes	TBC	In principle yes
Whitton Close	Large grassed area approximately outside numbers 3 and 4 Whitton Close Supply and place bollards to prevent cars parking on grassed area	Dave Barnes	TBC	In principle yes
Whitton Close	Extend existing parking bays to relieve road parking	Dave Barnes	TBC	In principle yes

Total 35,814.91 + TBC

Figures for Whitton Close will be available at Area Committee.

Area	Ward	Actual Budget (including carry fwd from 2013/14)	Schemes approved	Schemes Committed	Remaining Budget
Area 2	Basford	99,365.00			99,365.00 <u>30,666.61</u> 68,698.39

Basford Ward environmental: Approved locally, awaiting approval at Area Committee

Address	Reason for request		Cost	Status
Clover Green	Re-tarmac the existing communal area and add new metal fencing and gating. Also add two new washing lines (four poles) PLUS The immediate area outside the communal area – bark half the area where the tree stumps are located and add a bench. PLUS The immediate area outside the communal area remove existing planter and add a new planter.	Coreenna Shelukindo	9,034.41	Approved locally
Broad Walk and 43 Stockhill Lane	Erect 1 bin to the top of the grassed area near to the existing bench. Erect 1 bench and 1 bin half way to the grassed area to the side of the large tree. Erect 2 x bollards between 43 Stockhill Lane and the Large tree to avoid cars going onto the grassed area.	Coreenna Shelukindo	3,235.33	Approved locally
Broad Walk	Continue with the same existing fencing style and colour to the side (erect two gates to allow pedestrian access at both ends) and the top of the grassed area. Leaving the path walk free for access in order for pedestrians and City Services.	Coreenna Shelukindo	7,402.68	Approved locally
Violet Close	Completely cut back/ prune all hedging and remove Ivy to the back of the flats from 13-24. Add three benches to the back of the communal areas facing the entrance. Erect new lockable metal gates to the four communal areas (to the side of 13, 17 and 21 and 24 Violet Close. Issue 10 keys per gate. Large planter outside 20 Violet Close to re-gravel using white coloured stones to cover the whole of the soil area within the planter. ***(Still awaiting price)	Coreenna Shelukindo	10,994.19 + TBC	Approved locally

Total 30,666.61 + TBC

Figures for Violet Close will be available at Area Committee