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Report to - Liz Cook, Chief Officer Housing Management

Date: 9th April 2015

Subject: Seacroft South Multi Use Games Area – CCTV funding

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s): Killingbeck & Seacroft	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

Summary of main issues

1. Community Safety are working alongside colleagues from Parks and Countryside and with ward councillors for a new MUGA in the Seacroft South area funded from Section 106 funds .
2. Due to ongoing issues in the area with youth gangs and anti social behaviour the area needs additional protection with an additional CCTV camera
3. The proposal by Community Safety is to submit a bid to the Area Housing Panel for the cost of the CCTV camera which in total will be £29,863 including 5 years revenue costs
4. Safer Leeds were awarded £18,000 from the previous ALMO (ENEHL) for a burglary initiative which was for two mobile ANPR cameras with photographic capability, the aim of the project was to capture perpetrators entering the Gipton and Seacroft area that had committed burglaries in the Swarcliffe and Roundhay areas of Leeds but this did not proceed for legal reasons.
5. The funds are currently sat with Leedswatch (Sharon Coates Finance Officer)
6. Community Safety would like to have authority to use the previous ALMO funding to part fund the cost of the CCTV for the MUGA and then apply to the HAP for the balance of the funding.

Recommendations

1. Approve the redirection of the former ALMO funds to part fund the additional CCTV camera at the Seacroft South MUGA.

1 Corporate Considerations

1.1 Options are to either approve this request or have the funds transferred back to Housing Leeds as they have not been used for the original purpose.

1.1 Consultation and Engagement

1.1.1 There are no public consultations required for this decision.

1.2 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration

1.2.1 This proposal will help towards improving security for all the community in Seacroft South.

1.3 Council policies and City Priorities

1.3.1 Providing additional security for a play area fits with the council's priorities for community safety and a child friendly city.

1.4 Resources and value for money

1.4.1 If this request is approved match funding will be applied for through the Housing Advisory Panel for the balance of the funding required. Alternatively the funds can be returned to Housing Leeds to be used for other projects or expenditure.

1.5 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

1.5.1 No issues identified.

1.6 Risk Management

1.6.1 The lack of security at the MUGA may lead to it not being used for its intended purpose and there may be reputational risk regarding the expenditure incurred for a MUGA that is not used by local children.

2 Conclusions

2.1 Using this funding for CCTV in the area will improve community safety and help protect considerable investment in the games area.

3 Recommendations

4 Approve the redirection of the former ALMO funds to part fund the additional CCTV camera at the Seacroft South MUGA.

5 Background documents¹

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¹ The background documents listed in this section are available to download from the Council's website, unless they contain confidential or exempt information. The list of background documents does not include published works.