

Outer West Area Committee Well Being Fund
Commissioning of Service

Project Name: WADLANDS WETLANDS feasibility study

Lead Organisation: Groundwork Leeds

Project Delivery - How will the project be delivered? (list any partners involved in the project):

This scheme is being managed by Groundwork Leeds in partnership with Calverley Rotary Club . All of the works will be carried out by a contractor after a full tendering process.

A significant amount of work has already been undertaken on this project by our Lead Partner, the Rotary Club of Calverley; Rod (now Cllr) Wood; Ian Driver (the landowner) and the Outer West Area Management team. All of the above partners would be involved in the development and delivery of the project, both this initial detailed design stage and the subsequent delivery stage.

Project Summary (include a brief description of the main activities, why the project is needed and links to key priorities):

The aim of the project is as follows:

- A. Significantly upgrade a section of the Millennium Way across land at Wadlands Farm, Calverley.
- B. Create a series of wildlife ponds, swales and wetlands adjacent to the upgraded section of the Millennium Way from a previously culverted water course.
- C. Create a series of informal paths surrounding these features which would be open to the public with interpretation boards linking to the wildlife on site.
- D. Create a species rich eco system on site which will provide an important link to local wildlife amenities such as the Rodley Nature Reserve.

The Well Being funding would be used to pay towards critical elements of the project development, as an essential precursor to the submission of detailed grant applications to discretionary funding bodies, as outlined below:

1. Visual site, survey and analysis of existing topography and vegetation both within site and in immediate vicinity, assess constraints and potential offered by the existing landscape features.
2. Preparation of draft landscape proposals for: Millennium Way, ponds and swale in order to provide sufficient information to allow accurate Pre-application information.
3. Assistance with submission of Pre- application planning submission to determine whether a full planning application would be required for this site.
4. Research into the information likely to be sought by Green Leeds/Biffa on this site in order to determine the scope of works required to fulfil their objectives.
5. Liaise with up to four local wildlife groups by email or telephone.
6. Study Leeds City Council Biodiversity Action plan to ensure the site encourages appropriate species in line with objectives of masterplan in order to ensure the project increases bio diversity on site. Liaise with ecologist at Leeds City Council.
7. Engage key agencies, and ensure partners are involved in the project's delivery to meet Biffa objectives.
8. Report to client on the outcomes of above to determine any opportunities and constraints which may arise and to determine whether a full planning application is required.
9. Preparation of detailed landscape proposals including proposals for the Millennium Way, ponds and swales including detailed planting specification.
10. Preparation of budget cost estimate for the works to be undertaken by a landscape contractor and preliminary

- identification of any potential external sources of funding other than those already identified should they be required.
11. Presentation to the Client to agree design and any necessary amendments, along with preferred phasing of works if applicable.
 12. Preparation of typical sections through ponds and swales.
 13. Construction drawings and details.
 14. Assistance with submission of planning application if required following pre-application.
 15. Final presentation to the Client and advice on procurement and next steps.
 16. Preparation of a detailed management plan for the key species / habitat(s) involved.
 17. Preparation of Specification for works.
 18. Preparation of Schedule of Quantities.
 19. Attend 10 meetings on site or elsewhere within the local vicinity.

Outcomes (summarise the main outcome/output/benefit the project will achieve):

We propose to create the following features on site:

- i. Creation of new and improved green spaces, making them more accessible to the general public at all times of the year.
- ii. Improve the health and Well-being for the general public by providing enhanced access to the countryside and amenities, and increasing physical activity.
- iii. Increased numbers of people using the site.
- iv. Improved knowledge and understanding of natural environments and ecosystems within the countryside.

Project Cost. Please indicate

How much the project will cost? The project will cost £ 90,000.00;

Identify which geographic areas will benefit:

Calverley & Farsley Ward.

How much Well Being Funding is sought and breakdown between capital and revenue)

The project will cost £ 90,000.00

The amount requested from the Outer West Area Committee is £4,430.00 (Revenue)

Who will be in receipt of the financial order. (name of the organisation and contact details)

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